

and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. DODD, Mr. HATCH, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. WARNER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BAYH, Mr. CRAIG, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. KOHL, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SMITH, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. TALENT, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. INOUE, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HAGEL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. PRYOR, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. VITTER, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2197. A bill to improve the global competitiveness of the United States in science and energy technology, to strengthen basic research programs at the Department of Energy, and to provide support for mathematics and science education at all levels through the resources available through the Department of Energy, including at the National Laboratories; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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S. 2198. A bill to ensure the United States successfully competes in the 21st century global economy; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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S. 2199. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives to promote research and development, innovation, and continuing education; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 2200. A bill to establish a United States-Poland parliamentary youth exchange program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 2201. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to modify the mediation and

implementation requirements of section 40122 regarding changes in the Federal Aviation Administration personnel management system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 2202. A bill to provide for ethics reform of the Federal judiciary and to instill greater public confidence in the Federal courts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 2203. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to eliminate cost-sharing under part D of such title for certain full-benefit dual eligible individuals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. 2204. A bill to validate certain conveyances made by the Union Pacific Railroad Company of lands located in Reno, Nevada, that were originally conveyed by the United States to facilitate construction of transcontinental railroads, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. THUNE:

S. 2205. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain parcels of land acquired for the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal features of the initial stage of the Oahe Unit, James Division, South Dakota, to the Commission of Schools and Public Lands and the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks of the State of South Dakota for the purpose of mitigating lost wildlife habitat, on the condition that the current preferential leaseholders shall have an option to purchase the parcels from the Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. VITTER:

S. Res. 354. A resolution honoring the valuable contributions of Catholic schools in the United States; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. TALENT, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DEWINE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BAUCUS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. KOHL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BAYH, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 355. A resolution honoring the service of the National Guard and requesting consultation by the Department of Defense with Congress and the chief executive officers of the States prior to offering proposals to change the National Guard force structure; to the Committee on Armed Services.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 409

At the request of Mr. COLEMAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 409, a bill to establish a

Federal Youth Development Council to improve the administration and coordination of Federal programs serving youth, and for other purposes.

S. 787

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 787, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to equalize the exclusion from gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and to provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment, and for other purposes.

S. 843

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 843, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to combat autism through research, screening, intervention and education.

S. 1035

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) were added as cosponsors of S. 1035, a bill to authorize the presentation of commemorative medals on behalf of Congress to Native Americans who served as Code Talkers during foreign conflicts in which the United States was involved during the 20th century in recognition of the service of those Native Americans to the United States.

S. 1604

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1604, a bill to restore to the judiciary the power to decide all trademark and trade name cases arising under the laws and treaties of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1774

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1774, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the activities of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute with respect to research on pulmonary hypertension.

S. 1841

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1841, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide extended and additional protection to Medicare beneficiaries who enroll for the Medicare prescription drug benefit during 2006.

S. 1923

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1923, a bill to address small business investment companies licensed to issue participating debentures, and for other purposes.

S. 1963

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1963, a bill to make miscellaneous improvements to trade adjustment assistance.

S. 2081

At the request of Mr. COLEMAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2081, a bill to improve the safety of all-terrain vehicles in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2131

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 2131, a bill to amend title 9, United States Code, to provide for greater fairness in the arbitration process relating to livestock and poultry contracts.

S. 2154

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2154, a bill to provide for the issuance of a commemorative postage stamp in honor of Rosa Parks.

S. 2172

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2172, a bill to provide for response to Hurricane Katrina by establishing a Louisiana Recovery Corporation, providing for housing and community rebuilding, and for other purposes.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to require openness in conference committee deliberations and full disclosure of the contents of conference reports and all other legislation.

S. 2185

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) were added as cosponsors of S. 2185, a bill to amend part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to provide full Federal funding of such part.

S. 2196

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2196, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Energy to establish the position of Assistant Secretary for Advanced Energy Research, Technology Development, and Deployment to implement an innovative energy research, technology development, and deployment program.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. ALEXANDER,

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VENS, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HAGEL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. PRYOR, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. VITTER, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

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Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce a legislative package which we refer to as the "Protecting America's Competitive Edge Act of 2006" or the "PACE" Act. This legislation ensures that the United States continues to set the pace in science, and in the development of new technologies.

I know my colleagues Senator BINGAMAN, Senator ALEXANDER, and Senator MIKULSKI share my conviction that this legislation addresses one of the most pressing challenges before us today. There are troubling signs that the United States is becoming less competitive in scientific and high-technology fields. Today, the United States is a net importer of high technology products. The U.S. share of global high-technology exports has fallen over the last two decades from 30 percent to only 17 percent.

The PACE legislation closely follows the recommendations made in a recent National Academy of Sciences report entitled "Rising Above the Gathering Storm." The metaphorical storm is the challenge to our global competitiveness in science and technology. I want to congratulate Norm Augustine, who chaired the National Academy committee, and the members of his committee for producing such a comprehensive, ground-breaking report on this important issue.

The Augustine report makes 20 recommendations for U.S. schools, universities, research and economic policy. Our legislation will enact each of the recommendations. For example, our legislation doubles authorizations for basic research in the physical sciences by over the next 7 years. It also requires that at least 8 percent of Federal research budgets are allocated to high-risk, potentially high pay-off research. It will strengthen the skills of thousands of math and science teachers by establishing training and education programs at summer institutes hosted at the National Laboratories.

We need to take U.S. competitiveness seriously. We need to take action to support our standard of living, and ensure we continue to grow and prosper. If we do not, we can expect other nations to rival our global competitiveness—and one day to surpass us.

I ask unanimous consent that the text of all three bills in the following order, the PACE-Energy Act, the PACE-Education Act, and the PACE-Finance Act, be printed in the RECORD.

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