

EC-5602. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-249, "Brentwood Retail Center Real Property Tax Exemption Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5603. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a delay in the issuance of a report entitled "Report on Carryover Balances"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2248. A bill to establish the Math and Science Teaching Corps; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 2249. A bill to eliminate the requirement that States collect Social Security numbers from applicants for recreational licenses; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 2250. A bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Norman E. Borlaug; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 2251. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to repeal the ultra-deepwater and unconventional onshore natural gas and other petroleum research and development program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself and Mr. THOMAS):

S. 2252. A bill to designate the National Museum of Wildlife Art, located at 2820 Rungius Road, Jackson, Wyoming, as the National Museum of Wildlife Art of the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. TALENT, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 2253. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to offer the 181 Area of the Gulf of Mexico for oil and gas leasing; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DOMENICI:

S. 2254. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out restoration projects along the Middle Rio Grande; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. REED, and Mr. BROWNBACK):

S.J. Res. 28. A joint resolution approving the location of the commemorative work in the District of Columbia honoring former President Dwight D. Eisenhower; 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. SANTORUM (for himself and Mr. SPECTER):

S. Res. 367. A resolution congratulating the Pittsburgh Steelers for their victory in Super Bowl XL; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID:

S. Res. 368. A resolution to designate April 1, 2006, as "National Asbestos Awareness Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. Res. 369. A resolution congratulating the American Dental Association for sponsoring the 4th annual "Give Kids a Smile" program, which emphasizes the need to improve access to dental care for children, and thanking dentists for volunteering their time to help provide needed dental care; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 366

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. TALENT) were added as cosponsors of S. 366, a bill to improve women's access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the delivery of obstetrical and gynecological services.

S. 381

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 381, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage guaranteed lifetime income payments from annuities and similar payments of life insurance proceeds at dates later than death by excluding from income a portion of such payments.

S. 828

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 828, a bill to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 908

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 908, a bill to allow Congress, State legislatures, and regulatory agencies to determine appropriate laws, rules, and regulations to address the problems of weight gain, obesity, and health conditions associated with weight gain or obesity.

S. 914

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 914, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a competitive grant program to build capacity in veterinary medical education and expand the workforce of veterinarians engaged in public health practice and biomedical research.

S. 1112

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1112, a bill to make permanent the

enhanced educational savings provisions for qualified tuition programs enacted as part of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001.

S. 1116

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1116, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for mental health screening and treatment services, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for integration of mental health services and mental health treatment outreach teams, and for other purposes.

S. 1479

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1479, a bill to provide for the expansion of Federal efforts concerning the prevention, education, treatment, and research activities related to Lyme and other tick-borne diseases, including the establishment of a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee.

S. 1607

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1607, a bill to amend section 10501 of title 49, United States Code, to exclude solid waste disposal from the jurisdiction of the Surface Transportation Board.

S. 2039

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2039, a bill to provide for loan repayment for prosecutors and public defenders.

S. 2115

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2115, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve provisions relating to Parkinson's disease research.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to strengthen existing programs to assist manufacturing innovation and education, to expand outreach programs for small and medium-sized manufacturers, and for other purposes.

S. 2178

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2178, a bill to make the stealing and selling of telephone records a criminal offense.

S. 2201

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) were added as cosponsors of 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.

S. 2231

At the request of Mr. BYRD, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2231, a bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to prescribe additional coal mine safety standards, to require additional penalties for habitual violators, and for other purposes.

S. 2235

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2235, a bill to posthumously award a congressional gold medal to Constance Baker Motley.

S. CON. RES. 78

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 78, a concurrent resolution condemning the Government of Iran for violating its international nuclear nonproliferation obligations and expressing support for efforts to report Iran to the United Nations Security Council.

S. RES. 180

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 180, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of a National Epidermolysis Bullosa Awareness Week to raise public awareness and understanding of the disease and to foster understanding of the impact of the disease on patients and their families.

S. RES. 313

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 313, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that a National Methamphetamine Prevention Week should be established to increase awareness of methamphetamine and to educate the public on ways to help prevent the use of that damaging narcotic.

S. RES. 365

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 365, a resolution to provide a 60 vote point of order against out-of-scope material in conference reports and open the process of earmarks in the Senate.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 2249. A bill to eliminate the requirement that States collect Social Security numbers from applicants for recreational licenses; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I rise to introduce the "Sportsmen's Privacy Protection Act" to address a number of privacy concerns I have heard from my constituents. When I

worked with my colleagues to pass the 1996 welfare reform law, we made sure that we created a system to hold parents accountable for supporting their children. A provision included in that law obligated States to implement new requirements to encourage payment of child support that cross-referenced Social Security Numbers of applicants for drivers' licenses, professional licenses, occupational licenses and recreational licenses. States that failed to implement these requirements would have faced the loss of Federal welfare funding.

Under current state law, Pennsylvania is required to revoke or deny recreational licenses, including hunting and fishing licenses of parents who are behind on child support payments. As a result, any individual that applies or renews a driver's, occupational or recreational license must include their Social Security Number on their application form. And it is the application that is the problem. In Pennsylvania and many other States, the drivers', professional and occupational records are automated or computerized, while the recreational licenses remain in a paper book often with multiple entries on a page. In my view, there are significant privacy concerns to continuing this provision as it relates to recreational licenses such as hunting and fishing.

In preparing this bill we asked the Congressional Research Service, CRS, about the effectiveness of this provision. CRS spoke with the Pennsylvania Child Support Program, PACSP, regarding the effectiveness of retracting or denying individuals hunting and fishing licenses. CRS indicated to my staff that there have been very few instances where individuals have been denied hunting and fishing licenses for falling behind in child support payments. In the overwhelming majority of the instances where they have been denied, the custodial parent will tip-off PACSP of the non-custodial parent's interest in obtaining a hunting and fishing license. PACSP can then notify the PA Hunting and Gaming Commission to deny the non-custodial parent a license.

I have heard from a lot of hunters about their legitimate concerns in giving their Social Security Number when applying for a hunting license. This bill will repeal the Federal mandate that requires States to collect Social Security Numbers for recreational licenses. The requirement for drivers', professional and occupational licenses would remain in place. My home State colleague, Representative English, has introduced a companion bill in the House of Representatives. I urge my colleagues to consider cosponsoring this legislation that restores the privacy rights of recreational hunters and fishermen, while maintaining an effective system of child support enforcement.

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

S. 2250. A bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Norman E. Borlaug; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I am calling upon Congress to honor Dr. Norman E. Borlaug, the man of whom it is often said "has saved more lives than any other person who has ever lived," with the Congressional Gold Medal.

Dr. Borlaug is commonly known in the agricultural world and beyond as the father of the Green Revolution. His accomplishments in terms of bringing radical change to world agriculture and uplifting humanity are without parallel.

Named by TIME Magazine as one of the 100 most influential minds of the 20th Century, Norman E. Borlaug is one of the great stories of our time. Norm, as he is known to all who work with him, was born in 1914 to Norwegian-American parents outside the town of Cresco in northeast Iowa near the Iowa/Minnesota border. His boyhood was spent on a Norman Rockwellesque farm and in a one-room schoolhouse. Eventually Norm found his way to the University of Minnesota where he became a star in Big Ten Wrestling and earned a Ph.D. in Plant Pathology.

Following World War II, he spent 20 years working in the poorest areas of rural Mexico. It was there that Dr. Borlaug made his breakthrough achievement in developing a strand of wheat that could exponentially increase yields while actively resisting disease.

With the strong support of the governments involved, Dr. Borlaug's Green Revolution uplifted hundreds of thousands of the rural poor in Mexico and saved hundreds of millions from famine and outright starvation in India and Pakistan. His approach to wheat production next spread throughout the Middle East and was then adapted to rice growing, increasing the number of lives saved to more than one billion people.

In 1970 Norman E. Borlaug was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, the only person working in agriculture to ever be so honored, for a lifetime of work to feed a hungry world. Since then, he has received numerous honors and awards including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, The National Academy of Sciences' highest honor—the Public Service Medal, and the Rotary International Award for World Understanding and Peace.

At age 91, Dr. Borlaug continues to alleviate poverty and malnutrition. He currently serves as president of Sasakawa Global 2000 Africa Project, which seeks to extend the benefits of agricultural development to the 800 million people still mired in poverty and malnutrition in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Finally, Dr. Borlaug continues as Chairman of the Council of Advisors