

pipelines and carbon dioxide sequestration facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. JOHN-SON, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 2145. A bill to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to ensure that Indian veterans are not liable for certain health care payments; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2146. A bill to authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to accept, as part of a settlement, diesel emission reduction Supplemental Environmental Projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BYRD, and Mr. KERRY)):

S. 2147. A bill to require accountability for contractors and contract personnel under Federal contracts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 2148. A bill to provide for greater diversity within, and to improve policy direction and oversight of, the Senior Executive Service; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DORGAN:

S. 2149. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to establish a program to provide incentives for projects to produce synthetic gas, liquid fuels, and other products from coal and other feedstocks while simultaneously reducing greenhouse gas emissions and reliance of the United States on petroleum and natural gas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BOND (for himself and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 2150. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4320 Blue Parkway in Kansas City, Missouri, as the "Wallace S. Hartsfield Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BOND, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 2151. A bill to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to authorize notations on flood insurance rate maps for areas protected against 100-year and 500-year floods by certified flood control structure; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself, Mr. LOTT, Mr. KYL, Mr. GREGG, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. BURR, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 2152. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program through fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. REED:

S. 2153. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to enhance disclosure of the terms of home mortgage loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 2154. A bill to amend the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain employment as a member of a local governing board, commission, or committee from social security tax coverage; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BYRD:

S. 2155. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to encourage the development of clean energy technologies for deployment in markets abroad, to assist the Department of Energy's promotion of research and development of clean and efficient energy systems, to encourage the Department of Energy and other Federal agencies to work together to improve the advancement of sustainable energy use and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 2156. A bill to authorize and facilitate the improvement of water management by the Bureau of Reclamation, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Energy to increase the acquisition and analysis of water resources for irrigation, hydroelectric power, municipal, and environmental uses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 2157. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish pilot programs in expanded school attendance; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BENNETT:

S. Res. 344. A resolution commending the Government of Germany for preventing a large-scale terrorist attack in September 2007, and supporting future cooperation to prevent terrorism; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID:

S. Con. Res. 49. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate; considered and agreed to.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 535

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 535, a bill to establish an Unsolved Crimes Section in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and an Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Investigative Office in the Civil Rights Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and for other purposes.

S. 700

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 700, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide a tax credit to individuals who enter into agreements to protect the habitats of endangered and threatened species, and for other purposes.

S. 714

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 714, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to ensure that all dogs and cats used by research facilities are obtained legally.

S. 887

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. MARTINEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 887, a bill to restore import and entry agricultural inspection functions to the Department of Agriculture.

S. 897

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 897, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide more help to Alzheimer's disease caregivers.

S. 898

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 898, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to fund breakthroughs in Alzheimer's disease research while providing more help to caregivers and increasing public education about prevention.

S. 911

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) and the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) were added as cosponsors of S. 911, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to advance medical research and treatments into pediatric cancers, ensure patients and families have access to the current treatments and information regarding pediatric cancers, establish a population-based national childhood cancer database, and promote public awareness of pediatric cancers.

S. 999

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 999, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve stroke prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation.

S. 1008

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1008, a bill to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to improve and strengthen the safety inspection process of nuclear facilities.

S. 1120

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1120, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants for the training of graduate medical residents in preventive medicine and public health.

S. 1335

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1335, a bill to amend title 4, United States Code, to declare English as the official language of the Government of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1356

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1356, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to establish industrial bank holding company regulation, and for other purposes.

S. 1394

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1394, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, to exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain forgiven residential mortgage obligations.

S. 1451

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) were added as cosponsors of S. 1451, a bill to encourage the development of coordinated quality reforms to improve health care delivery and reduce the cost of care in the health care system.

S. 1455

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1455, a bill to provide for the establishment of a health information technology and privacy system.

S. 1471

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1471, a bill to provide for the voluntary development by States of qualifying best practices for health care and to encourage such voluntary development by amending titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to provide differential rates of payment favoring treatment provided consistent with qualifying best practices under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1482

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1482, a bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct research on indicators of child well-being.

S. 1495

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1495, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the application of the tonnage tax on vessels operating in the dual United States domestic and foreign trades, and for other purposes.

S. 1604

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1604, a bill to increase the number of well-educated nurses, and for other purposes.

S. 1708

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1708, 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. 1760

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1760, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Healthy Start Initiative.

S. 1782

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) were added as cosponsors of S. 1782, a bill to amend chapter 1 of title 9 of United States Code with respect to arbitration.

S. 1865

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. MARTINEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1865, a bill to provide for mandatory availability of life insurance that does not preclude future lawful travel, and for other purposes.

S. 2056

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2056, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to restore financial stability to Medicare anesthesiology teaching programs for resident physicians.

S. 2063

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. MARTINEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2063, a bill to establish a Bipartisan Task Force for Responsible Fiscal Action, to assure the economic security of the United States, and to expand future prosperity and growth for all Americans.

S. 2064

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2064, a bill to fund comprehensive programs to ensure an adequate supply of nurses.

S. 2071

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2071, a bill to enhance the ability to combat methamphetamine.

S. 2077

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2077, a bill to establish a program to assure the safety of fresh produce intended for human consumption, and for other purposes.

S. 2128

At the request of Mr. SUNUNU, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. DEMINT) were added as cosponsors of S. 2128, a bill to make the moratorium on Internet access taxes and multiple and discriminatory taxes on electronic commerce permanent.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WEBB) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) were added as cosponsors of S. 2134, a bill to require the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress reports on the status of planning for the redeployment of the Armed Forces from Iraq and to require the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and appropriate senior officials of the Department of Defense to meet with Congress to brief Congress on matters contained in the reports.

S.J. RES. 4

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 4, a joint resolution to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the United States Government regarding Indian tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States.

S. RES. 106

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 106, a resolution calling on the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide.

S. RES. 321

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 321, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the Israeli-Palestinian peace process.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BROWN, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 2141. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and extend the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome prevention and services program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, today I join Senators BROWN, DURBIN,