

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 372. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the declaration of a state of emergency in Pakistan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. Res. 373. A resolution encouraging all employers to target veterans for recruitment and to provide preference in hiring to qualified veterans; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. Res. 374. A resolution expressing support for designation of a National Veterans History Project Week to encourage public participation in a nationwide project that collects and preserves the stories of the men and women who served our Nation in times of war and conflict; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 548

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 548, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that a deduction equal to fair market value shall be allowed for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor.

S. 584

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 584, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the rehabilitation credit and the low-income housing credit.

S. 594

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 594, a bill to limit the use, sale, and transfer of cluster munitions.

S. 597

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 597, a bill to extend the special postage stamp for breast cancer research for 2 years.

S. 616

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 616, a bill to promote health care coverage parity for individuals participating in legal recreational activities or legal transportation activities.

S. 714

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) were added as cosponsors 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. 881

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) were added as

cospromisers of S. 881, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 911

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor 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. 960

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 960, a bill to establish the United States Public Service Academy.

S. 1027

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1027, a bill to prevent tobacco smuggling, to ensure the collection of all tobacco taxes, and for other purposes.

S. 1494

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1494, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the special diabetes programs for Type I diabetes and Indians under that Act.

S. 1588

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1588, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that group and individual health insurance coverage and group health plans provide coverage for treatment of a minor child's congenital or developmental deformity or disorder due to trauma, infection, tumor, or disease.

S. 1661

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1661, a bill to communicate United States travel policies and improve marketing and other activities designed to increase travel in the United States from abroad.

S. 1679

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1679, a bill to provide that the great hall of the Capitol Visitor Center shall be known as Emancipation Hall.

S. 1795

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SUNUNU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1795, a bill to improve access to workers' compensation programs for injured Federal employees.

S. 1871

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1871, a bill to provide for special transfers of funds to States to promote certain improvements in State unemployment compensation laws.

S. 1878

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) were added as cosponsors of S. 1878, a bill to authorize grants for contributions toward the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library.

S. 1905

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1905, a bill to provide for a rotating schedule for regional selection of delegates to a national Presidential nominating convention, and for other purposes.

S. 1958

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1958, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure and foster continued patient quality of care by establishing facility and patient criteria for long-term care hospitals and related improvements under the Medicare program.

S. 1965

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1965, a bill to protect children from cybercrimes, including crimes by online predators, to enhance efforts to identify and eliminate child pornography, and to help parents shield their children from material that is inappropriate for minors.

S. 1970

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1970, a bill to establish a National Commission on Children and Disasters, a National Resource Center on Children and Disasters, and for other purposes.

S. 1996

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1996, a bill to reauthorize the Enhancing Education Through Technology Act of 2001, and for other purposes.

S. 2071

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. McCASKILL) were added as cosponsors of S. 2071, a bill to enhance the ability to combat methamphetamine.

S. 2136

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey

(Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2136, a bill to address the treatment of primary mortgages in bankruptcy, and for other purposes.

S. 2140

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2140, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Francis Collins, in recognition of his outstanding contributions and leadership in the fields of medicine and genetics.

S. 2220

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2220, a bill to amend the Outdoor Recreation Act of 1963 to authorize certain appropriations.

S. 2246

At the request of Mr. COLEMAN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2246, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend eligibility for Federal TRIO programs to members of the reserve components serving on active duty in support of contingency operations.

S. 2250

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2250, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare Program.

S. 2257

At the request of Mr. McCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2257, a bill to impose sanctions on officials of the State Peace and Development Council in Burma, to amend the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003 to prohibit the importation of gemstones and hardwoods from Burma, to promote a coordinated international effort to restore civilian democratic rule to Burma, and for other purposes.

S. 2317

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2317, a bill to amend titles 17 and 18, United States Code, and the Trademark Act of 1946 to strengthen and harmonize the protection of intellectual property, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide continued entitlement to coverage for immunosuppressive drugs furnished to beneficiaries under the Medicare Program that have received a kidney transplant and whose entitlement to coverage would otherwise expire, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 241

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut

(Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 241, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should reaffirm the commitments of the United States to the 2001 Doha Declaration on the TRIPS Agreement and Public Health and to pursuing trade policies that promote access to affordable medicines.

S. RES. 358

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 358, a resolution expressing the importance of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Turkey.

S. RES. 366

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 366, a resolution designating November 2007 as “National Methamphetamine Awareness Month”, to increase awareness of methamphetamine abuse.

S. RES. 368

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUYE) and the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 368, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that, at the 20th Regular Meeting of the International Commission on the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, the United States should pursue a moratorium on the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean bluefin tuna fishery to ensure control of the fishery and further facilitate recovery of the stock, pursue strengthened conservation and management measures to facilitate the recovery of the Atlantic bluefin tuna, and seek a review of compliance by all Nations with the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas’ conservation and management recommendation for Atlantic bluefin tuna and other species, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3501

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3501 intended to be proposed to H.R. 2419, a bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3501 intended to be proposed to H.R. 2419, *supra*.

AMENDMENT NO. 3508

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr.

OBAMA) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3508 proposed to H.R. 2419, a bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3522

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3522 intended to be proposed to H.R. 2419, a bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3541

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3541 intended to be proposed to H.R. 2419, a bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3543

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3543 intended to be proposed to H.R. 2419, a bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. COBURN):

S. 2324. A bill to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to enhance the Offices of the Inspectors General, to create a Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Mrs. McCASKILL. Mr. President, I am pleased today to join my colleagues Senators COLLINS, LIEBERMAN and COBURN in introducing the Inspector General Reform Act of 2007. This bill represents a strong bipartisan effort to strengthen the independence and integrity of our nation’s Inspectors General, who represent one of our strongest tools in combating waste, fraud and abuse throughout our government.

When I first came to the Senate this January, I made it one of my top priorities to become actively involved in oversight and accountability in Congress and in the Federal Government. I was thrilled to have been given an appointment to the Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee, which is ably run by Chairman LIEBERMAN. I was proud to have been able to cosponsor S. 680, the bill authored by Senator COLLINS which included not only extensive reforms of Government contracting practices, but also included many provisions geared towards improving the Inspector General system. I must thank Senator COLLINS especially for working with me on