

the United Nations or the Secretary-General of the Authority transmitting a proposal to amend the Convention pursuant to article 312, 313, or 314, the President shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a copy of the proposed amendment.

(2) Prior to the convening of a Conference to consider amendments to the Convention proposed to be adopted pursuant to article 312 of the Convention, the President shall consult with the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate on the amendments to be considered at the Conference. The President shall also consult with the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate on any amendment proposed to be adopted pursuant to article 313 of the Convention.

(3) Not later than 15 days prior to any meeting—

(A) of the Council of the International Seabed Authority to consider an amendment to the Convention proposed to be adopted pursuant to article 314 of the Convention; or

(B) of any other body under the Convention to consider an amendment that would enter into force pursuant to article 316(5) of the Convention; the President shall consult with the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate on the amendment and on whether the United States should object to its adoption.

(4) All amendments to the Convention, other than amendments under article 316(5) of a technical or administrative nature, shall be submitted by the President to the Senate for its advice and consent.

(5) The United States declares that it shall take all necessary steps under the Convention to ensure that amendments under article 316(5) are adopted in conformity with the treaty clause in Article II, section 2 of the United States Constitution.

(b) INCLUSION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS IN INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION.—Conditions 4 and 5 shall be included in the United States instrument of ratification to the Convention.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. *Robert D. Jamison, of Virginia, to be an Under Secretary of Homeland Security.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Mary Ann Glendon, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Holy See.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Nominee—Mary Ann Glendon.

Post—Ambassador to Holy See.

Contributions, Amount, Date, and Donee:

1. Self: Mary Ann Glendon, none.

2. Spouse: Edward R. Lev, none.

3. Children and Spouses: Sarah P. Hood, daughter, none; Darren Hood, son in law, none; Elizabeth Lev, daughter, none; Katherine Lev, daughter, \$300, 2003 and 2004 (Est.), Congressman Stephen Lynch D-MASS.

4. Parents: Martin Glendon, deceased; Sarah Glendon, deceased.

5. Grandparents: Theodore Pomeroy, deceased; Julia Pomeroy, deceased; Martin Glendon, deceased; Mary Ann Glendon, deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: Martin Glendon, brother, Cynthia Glendon, sister in law, none; none.

7. Sisters and Spouses: Julia Glendon, none.

Charles W. Larson, Jr., of Iowa, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Latvia.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Nominee: Charles William Larson, Jr.

Post: U.S. Ambassador to Latvia.

Contributions, Amount, Date, and Donee:

1. Charles W. Larson, Jr., \$1,200, 06/27/07 John McCain 2008; \$1,200, 03/31/07, John McCain 2008; \$500, 11/15/06, DCI PAC; \$2,000, 09/30/03, Bush-Cheney '04; \$250, 05/15/03, Grassley Committee; \$300, 01/13/05, 55th Presidential Inaugural Committee; \$300, 01/13/05, 55th Presidential Inaugural Committee.

2. Spouse: Jennifer E. Larson, none.

3. Children: Charles W. Larson, III, none; John-Henry C. Larson, none.

4. Parents: Charles W. Larson, father, \$1,000, 03/26/03, Republican Party of IA; Ellen T. Larson, mother, \$500, 07/25/05, Republican Party of IA; \$75, 09/30/05, Republican Party of IA; \$1,000, 01/26/04, Grassley Committee; \$1,000, 01/26/04, Grassley Committee; \$1,000, 03/26/03, Republican Party of IA; \$2,000 07/07/03, Bush-Cheney '04; \$100, 09/21/03, Thompson for Congress; \$2,000, 12/29/03, Grassley for Senate.

5. Grandparents: Dorothy Hagner, grandmother, none; Arthur Hagner, grandfather, deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: none.

7. Sisters and Spouses: Carrie L. Graham, \$500, 2007 calendar, Pfizer PAC; \$500, 2006 calendar, Pfizer PAC; \$500, 2005 calendar, Pfizer PAC; \$500, 2004 calendar, Pfizer PAC; \$500, 4/13/2004, Bush-Cheney '04; \$1,000, 07/07/2003, Bush-Cheney '04; \$500, 2002 calendar, Pfizer PAC; \$500, 2002 calendar, Pfizer PAC; Andrew F. Graham, none.

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. INHOFE:

S. 11. A bill to provide liability protection to volunteer pilot nonprofit organizations that fly for public benefit and to the pilots and staff of such nonprofit organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. OBAMA):

S. 2519. A bill to prohibit the awarding of a contract or grant in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold unless the prospective contractor or grantee certifies in writing to the agency awarding the contract or grant that the contractor or grantee has no seriously delinquent tax debts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. SMITH, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 2520. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Indian tribal governments to transfer the credit for elec-

tricity produced from renewable resources; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. SMITH, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DODD, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 2521. A bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 2522. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to guarantee comprehensive health care coverage for all children born after 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. REED):

S. 2523. A bill to establish the National Affordable Housing Trust Fund in the Treasury of the United States to provide for the construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of decent, safe, and affordable housing for low-income families; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2524. A bill to improve the enforcement of the Davis-Bacon Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 2525. A bill to prevent health care facility-acquired infections; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 2526. A bill to protect health care workers and first responders, including police, fire-fighters, emergency medical personnel, and other workers at risk of workplace exposure to infectious agents and drug resistant infections, such as MRSA and pandemic influenza; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 2527. A bill to prohibit the obligation or expenditure of funds for the Osprey tiltrotor aircraft; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2528. A bill to authorize guarantees for bonds and notes issued for community or economic development purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. BAYH):

S. 2529. A bill to improve disclosures for charitable giving, protect charities, inform consumers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 2530. A bill entitled the "Federal Aviation Administration Extension Act of 2007"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. BUNNING):

S. 2531. A bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to revise the antidumping duties and countervailing duties relating to the production of low-enriched uranium, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. HAGEL (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 417. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should expand trade opportunities with Mongolia and initiate negotiations to enter into a free trade agreement with Mongolia; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. Res. 418. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding provocative and dangerous statements made by officials of the Government of the Russian Federation concerning the territorial integrity of the Republic of Georgia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON):

S. Con. Res. 63. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the need for additional research into the chronic neurological condition hydrocephalus, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Con. Res. 64. A concurrent resolution commending the Alaksa Army National Guard for its service to the State of Alaska and the citizens of the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 38

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 38, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a program for the provision of readjustment and mental health services to veterans who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and for other purposes.

S. 261

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 261, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, and for other purposes.

S. 329

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 329, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage for cardiac rehabilitation and pulmonary rehabilitation services.

S. 453

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 453, a bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections.

S. 596

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 596, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for the regulation of Internet pharmacies.

S. 714

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) 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. 755

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 755, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require States to provide diabetes screening tests under the Medicaid program for adult enrollees with diabetes risk factors, to ensure that States offer a comprehensive package of benefits under that program for individuals with diabetes, and for other purposes.

S. 860

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 860, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to permit States the option to provide Medicaid coverage for low-income individuals infected with HIV.

S. 897

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 897, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide more help to Alzheimer's disease caregivers.

S. 911

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) 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. 1141

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1141, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow employees not covered by qualified retirement plans to save for retirement through automatic payroll deposit IRAs, to facilitate similar saving by the self-employed, and for other purposes.

S. 1310

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1310, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of increased payments for ground ambulance services under the Medicare program.

S. 1466

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1466, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude property tax rebates and other benefits pro-

vided to volunteer firefighters, search and rescue personnel, and emergency medical responders from income and employment taxes and wage withholding.

S. 1593

At the request of Mr. BAYH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1593, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief and protections to military personnel, and for other purposes.

S. 1661

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) were added as cosponsors 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. 1771

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1771, a bill to increase the safety of swimming pools and spas by requiring the use of proper anti-entrapment drain covers and pool and spa drainage systems, to educate the public about pool and spa safety, and for other purposes.

S. 1981

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1981, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding environmental education, and for other purposes.

S. 2042

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2042, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct activities to rapidly advance treatments for spinal muscular atrophy, neuromuscular disease, and other pediatric diseases, and for other purposes.

S. 2058

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2058, a bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to close the Enron loophole, prevent price manipulation and excessive speculation in the trading of energy commodities, and for other purposes.

S. 2059

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2059, a bill to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to clarify the eligibility requirements with respect to airline flight crews.

S. 2119

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SUNUNU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2119, a bill to require the