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SA 4167. Mr. KERRY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4168. Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. BOND, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DODD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. SCHUMER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4169. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4170. Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. KYL, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. DEMINT) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra.

SA 4171. Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4172. Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mrs. CLINTON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4173. Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DOMENICI, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. SCHUMER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4174. Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mrs. MCCASKILL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4175. Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COBURN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 4177. Mr. BROWN (for Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. SPECTER, and Mr. LIEBERMAN)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2516, to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, and for other purposes.

SA 4178. Mrs. FEINSTEIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her

to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4179. Mr. PRYOR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4180. Mr. PRYOR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4181. Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. BINGAMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4182. Mr. PRYOR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4183. Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4184. Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. DORGAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4185. Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. KERRY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4153. Mr. BURR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 19, line 16, increase the amount by \$148,000,000.

On page 19, line 17, increase the amount by \$89,000,000.

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by \$44,000,000.

On page 19, line 25, increase the amount by \$15,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$148,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$89,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$44,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$15,000,000.

SA 4154. Mr. REED (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DODD, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. OBAMA, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SUNUNU, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 19, line 16, increase the amount by \$2,600,000,000.

On page 19, line 17, increase the amount by \$1,820,000,000.

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by \$728,000,000.

On page 19, line 25, increase the amount by \$52,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$2,600,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$1,820,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$728,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$52,000,000.

SA 4155. Mr. BROWN (for himself and Ms. STABENOW) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 51, line 9, insert after the comma, the following: "by increasing efforts to train and retrain manufacturing workers,".

SA 4156. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. SMITH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. DODD, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CORKER, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. KERRY, and Ms. CANTWELL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 10, line 12, increase the amount by \$2,639,000,000.

On page 10, line 13, increase the amount by \$1,356,000,000.

On page 10, line 17, increase the amount by \$673,000,000.

On page 10, line 21, increase the amount by \$263,000,000.

On page 10, line 25, increase the amount by \$159,000,000.

On page 11, line 4, increase the amount by \$84,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$2,639,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$1,356,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$673,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$263,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by \$159,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by \$84,000,000.

SA 4157. Mr. ALLARD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 4, line 5, increase the amount by \$100,533,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by \$2,674,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by \$4,466,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by \$4,906,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase by \$5,221,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, increase the amount by \$42,533,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by \$60,674,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by \$4,466,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by \$4,906,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by \$5,221,000,000.

On page 4, line 23, increase the amount by \$42,533,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, increase the amount by \$60,674,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by \$4,466,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by \$4,906,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by \$5,221,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by \$42,533,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by \$103,208,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by \$107,674,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by \$112,580,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, increase the amount by \$117,801,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, increase the amount by \$42,533,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by \$103,208,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by \$107,674,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by \$112,580,000,000.

On page 5, line 20, increase the amount by \$117,801,000,000.

On page 9, line 13, increase the amount by \$100,000,000,000.

On page 9, line 14, increase the amount by \$42,000,000,000.

On page 9, line 18, increase the amount by \$58,000,000,000.

On page 26, line 16, increase the amount by \$533,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, increase the amount by \$533,000,000.

On page 26, line 20, increase the amount by \$2,674,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, increase the amount by \$2,674,000,000.

On page 26, line 24, increase the amount by \$4,466,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, increase the amount by \$4,466,000,000.

On page 27, line 3, increase the amount by \$4,906,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, increase the amount by \$4,906,000,000.

On page 27, line 7, increase the amount by \$5,221,000,000.

On page 27, line 8, increase the amount by \$5,221,000,000.

On page 38, line 10, increase the amount by \$100,000,000,000.

SA 4158. Mr. ALLARD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike subsection (a) of section 306 and insert the following:

(a) SCHIP.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that provides up to \$50,000,000,000 in outlays over the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 for reauthorization of SCHIP, if such legislation maintains coverage for those currently enrolled in SCHIP, continues efforts to enroll uninsured children who are already eligible for SCHIP or Medicaid but are not enrolled, or supports States in their efforts to move forward in covering more children, and amends the definition of the term “targeted low-income child” under title XXI of the Social Security Act to provide that such term means an individual under age 19, including the period from conception to birth, who is eligible for child health assistance under such title XXI by virtue of the definition of the term “child” under section 457.10 of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, by the amounts provided in that legislation for those purposes, provided that the outlay adjustment shall not exceed \$50,000,000,000 in outlays over the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013, and provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4159. Mr. ALLARD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike paragraph (1) of section 306(e) and insert the following:

(1) RULES OR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that includes provisions regarding the final rule published on May 29, 2007, on pages 29748 through 29836 of volume 72, Federal Register (relating to parts 433, 447, and 457 of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations) or any other rule or other administrative action that would affect the Medicaid program or SCHIP in a similar manner, or place restrictions on coverage of or payment for graduate medical education, rehabilitation services, or school-based administration, school-based transportation, or optional case management services under title XIX of the Social Security Act, or includes provisions regarding administrative guidance issued in August 2007 affecting SCHIP or any other administrative action that would affect SCHIP in a similar manner, so long as no provision in such bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion or conference report shall be construed as prohibiting the Secretary of Health and Human Services from promulgating or implementing any rule, action, or guidance designed to prevent fraud and protect the integrity of the Medicaid program or SCHIP or reduce inappropriate spending under such programs, by the amounts provided in that legislation for those purposes, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the total of the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the total of the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4160. Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. BAYH, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. NELSON of

Florida, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Ms. LANDRIEU) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; as follows:

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by \$1,755,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by \$1,730,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by \$28,324,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by \$167,072,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by \$141,689,000,000.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by \$1,755,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by \$1,730,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by \$28,324,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by \$167,072,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by \$141,689,000,000.

On page 4, line 5, increase the amount by \$22,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by \$97,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by \$846,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by \$5,664,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by \$13,496,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, increase the amount by \$22,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by \$97,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by \$846,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by \$5,664,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by \$13,496,000,000.

On page 4, line 23, increase the amount by \$1,777,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, increase the amount by \$1,827,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by \$29,170,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by \$172,736,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by \$155,185,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by \$1,777,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by \$3,604,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by \$32,774,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by \$205,510,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, increase the amount by \$360,695,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, increase the amount by \$1,777,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by \$3,604,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by \$32,774,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by \$205,510,000,000.

On page 5, line 20, increase the amount by \$360,695,000,000.

On page 26, line 16, increase the amount by \$22,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, increase the amount by \$22,000,000.

On page 26, line 20, increase the amount by \$97,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, increase the amount by \$97,000,000.

On page 26, line 24, increase the amount by \$846,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, increase the amount by \$846,000,000.

On page 27, line 3, increase the amount by \$5,664,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, increase the amount by \$5,664,000,000.

On page 27, line 7, increase the amount by \$13,496,000,000.

On page 27, line 8, increase the amount by \$13,496,000,000.

SA 4161. Mr. MARTINEZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by \$63,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by \$239,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by \$484,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by \$687,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by \$780,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$63,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$63,000,000.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by \$239,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$239,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by \$484,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$484,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by \$687,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by \$687,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by \$780,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by \$780,000,000.

SA 4162. Mr. REID submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR ACCELERATION OF PHASED-IN ELIGIBILITY FOR CONCURRENT RECEIPT OF BENEFITS.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other appropriate levels and limits in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that provides for changing the date by which eligibility of members of the Armed Forces for concurrent receipt of retired pay and veterans' disability compensation under section 1414 of title 10, United States Code, is fully phased in from December 31, 2013, to September 30, 2008, by the amounts provided in that legislation for those purposes, pro-

vided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4163. Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR DEMONSTRATION PROJECT REGARDING MEDICAID COVERAGE OF LOW-INCOME HIV-INFECTED INDIVIDUALS.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations of a committee or committees, aggregates, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions or conference reports that provide for a demonstration project under which a State may apply under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) to provide medical assistance under a State Medicaid program to HIV-infected individuals who are not eligible for medical assistance under such program under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)), by the amounts provided in that legislation for those purposes up to \$500,000,000, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the total of the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the total of the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4164. Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. REED, and Mr. FEINGOLD) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 24, line 16, increase the amount by \$551,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by \$66,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by \$154,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by \$138,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by \$110,000,000.

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by \$83,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$551,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$66,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$154,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$138,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by \$110,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by \$83,000,000.

SA 4165. Mr. BIDEN (for himself and Mr. BROWNBACK) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 24, line 16, increase the amount by \$162,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by \$36,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by \$49,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by \$32,000,000.

On page 25, line 4, increase the amount by \$24,000,000.

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by \$21,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$162,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$36,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$49,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$32,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by \$24,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by \$21,000,000.

SA 4166. Mr. BIDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 24, line 16, increase the amount by \$100,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by \$22,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by \$20,000,000.

On page 25, line 4, increase the amount by \$15,000,000.

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by \$13,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$100,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$22,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$20,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by \$15,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by \$13,000,000.

SA 4167. Mr. KERRY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 56, line 12, after "transit" insert "high speed passenger rail,".

SA 4168. Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. BOND, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DODD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. SCHUMER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 13, line 13, increase the amount by \$477,000,000.

On page 13, line 14, increase the amount by \$19,000,000.

On page 13, line 18, increase the amount by \$95,000,000.

On page 13, line 22, increase the amount by \$143,000,000.

On page 14, line 1, increase the amount by \$95,000,000.

On page 14, line 5, increase the amount by \$48,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$477,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$19,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$95,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$143,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by \$95,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by \$48,000,000.

SA 4169. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 66, strike line 6 and all that follows through page 67, line 5, and insert the following:

(1) RULES OR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that includes provisions regarding the final rule published on May 29, 2007, on pages 29748 through 29836 of volume 72, Federal Register (relating to parts 433, 447, and 457 of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations) or any other rule or other administrative action that would affect the Medicaid program or SCHIP in a similar manner, or place restrictions on coverage of or payment for graduate medical education, rehabilitation services, or school-based administration, school-based transportation, or optional case management services under title XIX of the Social Security Act, or includes provisions regarding administrative guidance issued in August 2007 affecting SCHIP or any other administrative action that would affect SCHIP in a similar manner, so long as such bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion or conference report also includes amendments to such title XIX clarifying the allowable uses of Federal funds paid to public providers, the appropriate methodologies States can use to bill the Federal Government for graduate medical education, the appropriate use of reha-

bilitation services by States, and the appropriate billing methodologies for school-based administration, school-based transportation, and case management services, by the amounts provided in that legislation for those purposes, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the total of the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the total of the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4170. Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. KYL, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. DEMINT) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; as follows:

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by \$949,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by \$3,215,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by \$93,791,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by \$127,024,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by \$151,137,000,000.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by \$949,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by \$3,215,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by \$93,791,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by \$127,024,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by \$151,137,000,000.

On page 4, line 5, increase the amount by \$18,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by \$110,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by \$2,487,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by \$8,005,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by \$15,207,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, increase the amount by \$18,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by \$110,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by \$2,487,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by \$8,005,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by \$15,207,000,000.

On page 4, line 23, increase the amount by \$967,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, increase the amount by \$3,325,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by \$96,278,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by \$135,079,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by \$166,344,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by \$1,214,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by \$4,539,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by \$100,817,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by \$235,846,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, increase the amount by \$402,190,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, increase the amount by \$1,214,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by \$4,539,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by \$100,817,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by \$235,846,000,000.

On page 5, line 20, increase the amount by \$402,190,000,000.

On page 26, line 16, increase the amount by \$18,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, increase the amount by \$18,000,000.

On page 26, line 20, increase the amount by \$110,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, increase the amount by \$110,000,000.

On page 26, line 24, increase the amount by \$2,487,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, increase the amount by \$2,487,000,000.

On page 27, line 3, increase the amount by \$8,005,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, increase the amount by \$8,005,000,000.

On page 27, line 7, increase the amount by \$15,207,000,000.

On page 27, line 8, increase the amount by \$15,207,000,000.

SA 4171. Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III, insert the following:
SEC. . . DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR FOOD SAFETY.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations of a committee or committees, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that would expand the level of Food and Drug Administration and Department of Agriculture food safety inspection services, develop risk-based approaches to the inspection of domestic and imported food products, provide for infrastructure and information technology systems to enhance the safety of the food supply, expand scientific capacity and training programs, invest in improved surveillance and testing technologies, provide for foodborne illness awareness and education programs, and enhance the Food and Drug Administration's recall authority, by the amounts provided in such legislation for such purposes up to \$1,500,000,000, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4172. Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mrs. CLINTON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 58, line 23, strike "family members;" and insert "family members; or

(4) providing for the continuing payment to members of the Armed Forces who are retired or separated from the Armed Forces due to a combat-related injury after September 11, 2001, of bonuses that such members were entitled to before the retirement or separation and would continue to be entitled to such members were not retired or separated;

SA 4173. Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DOMENICI, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. SCHUMER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 a including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table, as follows:

On page 11, line 13, increase the amount by \$600,000,000.

On page 11, line 14, increase the amount by \$306,000,000.

On page 11, line 18, increase the amount by \$210,000,000.

On page 11, line 22, increase the amount by \$60,000,000.

On page 12, line 1, increase the amount by \$12,000,000.

On page 12, line 5, increase the amount by \$12,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$600,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$306,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$210,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$60,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by \$12,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by \$12,000,000.

SA 4174. Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mrs. MCCASKILL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING OVERSEAS CONTRACTING INTEGRITY REQUIREMENTS.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate makes the following findings:

(1) Overseas contracts pose a significant potential for fraud and abuse.

(2) Fraud against the Federal Government, whether it occurs domestically or abroad, should be detected and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

(3) On May 23, 2007, the Department of Justice requested amendments to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (referred to in this section as “FAR”) that would require Federal Government contractors to—

(A) have a code of ethics and business conduct;

(B) establish and maintain specific internal controls to detect and prevent improper conduct in connection with the award or performance of Federal Government contracts or subcontracts; and

(C) notify contracting officers without delay whenever the contractor had become aware of violations of Federal criminal law with regards to such contracts or subcontracts.

(4) The Department of Defense, the General Services Administration, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration issued a Federal Acquisition Regulation en-

titled, “Contractor Compliance Program and Integrity Reporting” (FAR Case 2007-006), on November 14, 2007.

(5) The rule proposed in the regulation issued on November 14, 2007, included a loophole that would exempt from such regulation any contract or subcontract to be performed entirely outside the United States.

(6) The Department of Justice objected to the inclusion of such new loophole in a letter to the General Services Administration dated January 14, 2008.

(7) The proposed rule is currently under review by the Office of Management and Budget and continues to include such new loophole for overseas contracts.

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) Federal Government contracts to be performed outside the United States should be subject to ethics, control, and reporting requirements that are the same, or at least as rigorous as those for contracts to be performed domestically; and

(2) any final rulemaking related to FAR Case 2007-006 should not exempt overseas contracts.

SA 4175. Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COBURN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 69, after line 25, add the following:

SEC. 308. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY NOT MEETING FEDERAL NEEDS.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations of a committee or committees, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that results in the disposal of property (as defined under section 102(9) of title 40, United States Code) that is not meeting Federal Government needs and uses any profits or savings realized to reduce the deficit, by the amounts provided in such legislation for such purpose, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4176. Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COBURN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 69, after line 25, add the following:

SEC. 308. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR INCREASED USE OF RECOVERY AUDITS.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations of a committee or committees, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that achieves savings by requiring that agencies increase their use of recovery audits authorized under subchapter VI of chapter 35 of title 31,

United States Code, (commonly referred to as the Erroneous Payments Recovery Act of 2001) and uses such savings to reduce the deficit, by the amounts provided in such legislation for such purpose, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4177. Mr. BROWN (for Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. SPECTER, and Mr. LIEBERMAN)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2516, to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Kendell Frederick Citizenship Assistance Act”.

SEC. 2. FINGERPRINTS AND OTHER BIOMETRIC INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including section 552a of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the “Privacy Act of 1974”), the Secretary of Homeland Security shall use the fingerprints provided by an individual at the time the individual enlisted in the United States Armed Forces, or at the time the individual filed an application for adjustment of status, to satisfy any requirement for background and security checks in connection with an application for naturalization if—

(1) the individual may be naturalized pursuant to section 328 or 329 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1439, 1440);

(2) the individual was fingerprinted and provided other biometric information in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Defense at the time the individual enlisted in the United States Armed Forces;

(3) the individual—

(A) submitted an application for naturalization not later than 24 months after the date on which the individual enlisted in the United States Armed Forces; or

(B) provided the required biometric information to the Department of Homeland Security through a United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Application Support Center at the time of the individual's application for adjustment of status if filed not later than 24 months after the date on which the individual enlisted in the United States Armed Forces; and

(4) the Secretary of Homeland Security determines that the biometric information provided, including fingerprints, is sufficient to conduct the required background and security checks needed for the applicant's naturalization application.

(b) MORE TIMELY AND EFFECTIVE ADJUDICATION.—Nothing in this section precludes an individual described in subsection (a) from submitting a new set of biometric information, including fingerprints, to the Secretary of Homeland Security with an application for naturalization. If the Secretary determines that submitting a new set of biometric information, including fingerprints, would result in more timely and effective adjudication of the individual's naturalization application, the Secretary shall—

(1) inform the individual of such determination; and

(2) provide the individual with a description of how to submit such biometric information, including fingerprints.

(c) COOPERATION.—The Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall determine the format of biometric information, including fingerprints, acceptable for usage under subsection (a). The Secretary of Defense, or any other official having custody of the biometric information, including fingerprints, referred to in subsection (a), shall—

(1) make such prints available, without charge, to the Secretary of Homeland Security for the purpose described in subsection (a); and

(2) otherwise cooperate with the Secretary of Homeland Security to facilitate the processing of applications for naturalization under subsection (a).

(d) ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, implement procedures that will ensure the rapid electronic transmission of biometric information, including fingerprints, from existing repositories of such information needed for military personnel applying for naturalization as described in subsection (a) and that will safeguard privacy and civil liberties.

(e) CENTRALIZATION AND EXPEDITED PROCESSING.—

(1) CENTRALIZATION.—The Secretary of Homeland Security shall centralize the data processing of all applications for naturalization filed by members of the United States Armed Forces on active duty serving abroad.

(2) EXPEDITED PROCESSING.—The Secretary of Homeland Security, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Director of National Intelligence shall take appropriate actions to ensure that applications for naturalization by members of the United States Armed Forces described in paragraph (1), and associated background checks, receive expedited processing and are adjudicated within 180 days of the receipt of responses to all background checks.

SEC. 3. PROVISION OF INFORMATION ON MILITARY NATURALIZATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the effective date of any modification to a regulation related to naturalization under section 328 or 329 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1439, 1440), the Secretary of Homeland Security shall make appropriate updates to the Internet sites maintained by the Secretary to reflect such modification.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Homeland Security, not later than 180 days after each effective date described in subsection (a), should make necessary updates to the appropriate application forms of the Department of Homeland Security.

SEC. 4. REPORTS.

(a) ADJUDICATION PROCESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees on the entire process for the adjudication of an application for naturalization filed pursuant to section 328 or 329 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1439, 1440), including the process that—

(A) begins at the time the application is mailed to, or received by, the Secretary, regardless of whether the Secretary determines that such application is complete; and

(B) ends on the date of the final disposition of such application.

(2) CONTENTS.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include a description of—

(A) the methods used by the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of De-

fense to prepare, handle, and adjudicate such applications;

(B) the effectiveness of the chain of authority, supervision, and training of employees of the Federal Government or of other entities, including contract employees, who have any role in such process or adjudication; and

(C) the ability of the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of Defense to use technology to facilitate or accomplish any aspect of such process or adjudication and to safeguard privacy and civil liberties

(b) IMPLEMENTATION.—

(1) STUDY.—The Comptroller General of the United States and the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security shall conduct a study on the implementation of this Act by the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of Defense, including an assessment of any technology that may be used to improve the efficiency of the naturalization process for members of the United States Armed Forces and an assessment of the impact of this Act on privacy and civil liberties.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date on which the Secretary of Homeland Security submits the report required under subsection (a), the Comptroller General and the Inspector General shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees on the study required by paragraph (1) that includes recommendations for improving the implementation of this Act.

(c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(1) the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate;

(2) the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

(3) the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate;

(4) the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives;

(5) the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives; and

(6) the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives.

SA 4178. Mrs. FEINSTEIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 25, line 16, increase the amount by \$703,000,000.

On page 25, line 17, increase the amount by \$387,000,000.

On page 25, line 21, increase the amount by \$316,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$703,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$387,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$316,000,000.

SA 4179. Mr. PRYOR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 58, line 17, insert “(including specially adapted housing grants)” after “disability benefits”.

SA 4180. Mr. PRYOR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 9, line 13, increase the amount by \$65,000,000.

On page 9, line 14, increase the amount by \$32,000,000.

On page 9, line 18, increase the amount by \$26,000,000.

On page 9, line 22, increase the amount by \$5,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by \$65,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by \$32,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by \$26,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by \$5,000,000.

SA 4181. Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. BINGAMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of Title III, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR SCIENCE PARKS.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations of a committee or committees, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that would provide grants and loan guarantees for the development and construction of science parks to promote the clustering of innovation through high technology activities, by the amounts provided in such legislation for such purpose, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4182. Mr. PRYOR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After “data” on page 64, line 6, strike “,” and add the following:

“and activities by the Department of Health and Human Services to foster the use of electronic health record data at Community Health Centers.”

SA 4183. Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him

to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of Sec. 302, insert the following:
(b) The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations of a committee or committees, aggregates, and other levels and limits in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that would improve student achievement during secondary education, including middle school completion, high school graduation and preparing students for higher education and the workforce, by the amounts provided in such legislation for such purpose, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over either the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4184. Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. DORGAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING THE ADOPTION AND DEPLOYMENT OF BROADBAND TECHNOLOGY.

It is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) sufficient resources should be provided for Federal agencies to exploit broadband technologies that—

(A) have the capability to electronically connect all Americans; and

(B) achieve greater applications and efficiencies for the economy, health care, public safety, and education;

(2) the United States Government should assess broadband deployment and adoption rates throughout the Nation to ensure that Federal initiatives are not redundant and are applicable to 21st Century requirements;

(3) the deployment and adoption of broadband technology has resulted in—

(A) enhanced economic development and public safety for communities across the Nation;

(B) improved health care and educational opportunities; and

(C) a better quality of life for all Americans;

(4) continued progress in the deployment and adoption of broadband technology is vital to ensuring that our Nation remains competitive and continues to create business and job growth;

(5) improving Federal data on the deployment and adoption of broadband service will assist in the development of broadband technology across all regions of the Nation;

(6) the Federal Government should—

(A) recognize and encourage complementary efforts by States to improve the quality and usefulness of broadband data; and

(B) encourage and support the partnership of the public and private sectors in the continued growth of broadband services and information technology for the residents and businesses of the Nation; and

(7) Federal broadband policies shall—

(A) continue to promote openness, competition, innovation, and affordable, ubiq-

uitous broadband service for all individuals in the United States; and

(B) maintain the freedom to use for lawful purposes broadband networks without unreasonable interference from, or discrimination by, network operators.

SA 4185. Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. KERRY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 56, line 12, after “transit” insert “, broadband technology.”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on the United States Pacific Command and United States Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2009 and the future years defense program.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 11, 2008, at 10 a.m., in order to conduct a hearing entitled the “Condition of Our Nation’s Infrastructure and Proposals For Needed Improvements.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday March 11, 2008, at 10 a.m., room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, in order to conduct a hearing.

At this hearing, the subcommittee will explore the importance of basic research to U.S. competitiveness. The hearing will examine research and development budgets at agencies in the Committee’s jurisdiction, particularly the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the National Science Foundation, as well as inter-agency science programs addressing climate change, nanotechnology, and information technology.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, in order to conduct a hearing.

At this hearing, the Committee will conduct an oversight hearing on the Department of Transportation’s current Cross-Border Truck Pilot Program. This pilot program, administered by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, provides temporary operating authority to a limited number of motor carriers domiciled in Mexico and the United States for cross-border commercial operation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 10 a.m. in room 406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in order to hold a hearing entitled, “Examining the President’s Proposed Fiscal Year 2009 Budget for the Civil Works Program of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Implementation of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2007”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 10:15 a.m. in order to hold a hearing on U.S. policy options on the Horn of Africa.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 2:30 p.m. in order hold a hearing on NATO enlargement and effectiveness.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, in order to conduct a hearing entitled “The Broken Pipeline: Losing Opportunities in the Life Sciences” on Tuesday, March 11, 2008. The hearing will commence at 11 a.m. in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate office building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of