SA 4263. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4264. Mr. COLEMAN 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 4265. Ms. SNOWE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4266. Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. CHAMBLISS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4267. Ms. SNOWE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4268. Mr. THUNE 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 4269. Mr. THUNE 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 4270. Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. MENENDEZ) 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 4271. Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) 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 4272. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4273. Mr. REID (for Mr. OBAMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. REID to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4274. Mr. REID (for Mr. OBAMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. REID to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 70, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4275. 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 4276. 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 4277. Mr. HATCH 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 4278. Mr. HATCH 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 4279. Mr. HATCH 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 4280. Mr. HATCH 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 4281. Mr. HATCH 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 4282. Mr. HATCH 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 4283. Mr. HATCH 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 4284. Mr. BROWNBACK 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 4186. Mr. BUNNING (for himself and Mr. ENZI) 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 II, add the following:

SEC. ____. CIRCUIT BREAKER TO PROTECT SOCIAL SECURITY.

(a) CIRCUIT BREAKER.—If in any year the Congressional Budget Office, in its report pursuant to section 202(e)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 projects an on-budget deficit (excluding Social Security) for the budget year or any subsequent fiscal year covered by those projections, then the concurrent resolution on the budget for the budget year shall reduce on-budget deficits relative to the projections of Congressional Budget Office and put the budget on a path to achieve on-budget balance within 5 years, and shall include such provisions as are necessary to protect Social Security and facilitate deficit reduction, except it shall not contain any reduction in Social Security benefits.

(b) POINT OF ORDER.—If in any year the Congressional Budget Office, in its report pursuant to section 202(e)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 projects an on-budget deficit for the budget year or any subsequent fiscal year covered by those projections, it shall not be in order in the Senate to consider a concurrent resolution on the budget for the budget year or any conference report thereon that fails to reduce on-budget deficits relative to the projections of Congressional Budget Office and put the budget on a path to achieve on-budget balance within 5 years.

(c) AMENDMENTS TO BUDGET RESOLUTION.—If in any year the Congressional Budget Office, in its report pursuant to section 202(e)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 projects an on-budget deficit for the budget year or any subsequent fiscal year covered by those projections, it shall not be in order in the Senate to consider an amendment to a concurrent resolution on the budget that would increase on-budget deficits relative to the concurrent resolution on the budget in any fiscal year covered by that concurrent resolution on the budget or cause the budget to fail to achieve on-budget balance within 5 years.

(d) SUSPENSION OF REQUIREMENT DURING WAR OR LOW ECONOMIC GROWTH.—

(1) LOW GROWTH.—If the most recent of the Department of Commerce's advance, preliminary, or final reports of actual real economic growth indicate that the rate of real economic growth (as measured by the real gross domestic product) for each of the most recently reported quarter and the immediately preceding quarter is less than zero percent, this section is suspended.

(2) WAR.—If a declaration of war is in effect, this section is suspended.

(e) SUPERMAJORITY WAIVER AND APPEALS.—

(1) WAIVER.—Subsections (b) and (c) may be waived or suspended in the Senate only by an affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn.

(2) APPEALS.—Appeals in the Senate from the decisions of the Chair relating to any provision of this subsection shall be limited to 1 hour, to be equally divided between, and controlled by, the appellant and the manager of the bill or joint resolution, as the case may be. An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under this subsection.

(f) BUDGET YEAR.—In this section, the term ''budget year'' shall have the same meaning as in section 250(c)(12) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SA 4187. Mr. BUNNING 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 10, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 19, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

On page 27, line 12, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 27, line 13, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

SA 4188. Mr. BUNNING (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mr. DEMINT) 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 10, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 3, line 19, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 27, line 12, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 27, line 13, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

SA 4189. Mr. GREGG (for Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. CRAIG)) 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 10, decrease the amount by $4,700,000,000.

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by $25,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $51,000,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $47,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $26,100,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $30,500,000,000.

On page 3, line 19, decrease the amount by $4,700,000,000.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by $25,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $51,000,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $47,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $26,100,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by $30,500,000,000.

On page 4, line 4, increase the amount by $36,190,000.

On page 4, line 5, increase the amount by $441,680,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by $2,133,860,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by $4,798,780,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by $6,988,760,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $8,794,210,000.

On page 4, line 13, increase the amount by $36,190,000.

On page 4, line 14, increase the amount by $441,680,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by $2,133,860,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by $4,798,780,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $6,988,760,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $8,794,210,000.

On page 4, line 22, increase the amount by $4,736,190,000.

On page 4, line 23, increase the amount by $26,041,680,000.

On page 4, line 24, increase the amount by $53,133,860,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by $52,098,780,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by $33,088,760,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $39,294,210,000.

On page 5, line 7, increase the amount by $4,736,190,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by $30,777,870,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by $83,911,730,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $136,010,510,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $169,099,270,000.

On page 5, line 12, increase the amount by $208,393,480,000.

On page 5, line 15, increase the amount by $4,736,190,000.

On page 5, line 16, increase the amount by $30,777,870,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by $83,911,730,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $136,010,510,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $169,099,270,000.

On page 5, line 20, increase the amount by $208,393,480,000.

On page 26, line 12, increase the amount by $36,190,000.

On page 26, line 13, increase the amount by $36,190,000.

On page 26, line 16, increase the amount by $441,680,000.

On page 26, line 17, increase the amount by $441,680,000.

On page 26, line 20, increase the amount by $2,133,860,000.

On page 26, line 21, increase the amount by $2,133,860,000.

On page 26, line 24, increase the amount by $4,798,780,000.

On page 26, line 25, increase the amount by $4,798,780,000.

On page 27, line 3, increase the amount by $6,988,760,000.

On page 27, line 4, increase the amount by $6,988,760,000.

On page 27, line 7, increase the amount by $8,794,210,000.

On page 27, line 8, increase the amount by $8,794,210,000.

SA 4190. Mr. CONRAD 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:

At the end of Title III, insert the following:

SEC. . DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR REFORMING THE ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX FOR INDIVIDUALS.

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 reinstate the pre-1993 rates for the alternative minimum tax for individuals, 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 4191. Mr. KYL (for himself and Mr. HATCH) 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 12, decrease the amount by $500,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $19,500,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $18,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $19,900,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $500,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $19,500,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $18,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by $19,900,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by $499,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by $1,453,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $2,468,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by $499,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $1,453,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $2,468,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, increase the amount by $511,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by $19,999,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by $20,053,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $22,368,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by $511,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $20,509,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $40,563,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, increase the amount by $62,930,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by $511,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $20,509,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $40,563,000,000.

On page 5, line 20, increase the amount by $62,930,000,000.

On page 26, line 20, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 26, line 24, increase the amount by $499,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, increase the amount by $499,000,000.

On page 27, line 3, increase the amount by $1,453,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, increase the amount by $1,453,000,000.

On page 27, line 7, increase the amount by $2,468,000,000.

On page 27, line 8, increase the amount by $2,468,000,000.

SA 4192. Mr. BUNNING 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.; as follows:

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 5, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $21,600,000,000.

SA 4193. 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:

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

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

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

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

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

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

SA 4194. Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BIDEN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. VOINOVICH) 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.; as follows:

On page 23, line 16, increase the amount by $50,000,000.

On page 23, line 17, increase the amount by $44,000,000.

On page 23, line 21, increase the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 23, line 25, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $50,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $44,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

SA 4195. Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Ms. SNOWE) 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 69, after line 25, add the following:

SEC. _____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR REDUCING INCOME THRESHOLD FOR REFUNDABLE CHILD TAX CREDIT TO $10,000 WITH NO INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution by the amounts provided by a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would reduce the income threshold for the refundable child tax credit under section 24 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to $10,000 for taxable years 2009 and 2010 with no inflation adjustment, 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 4196. Mr. CONRAD (for Mr. SALAZAR) 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:

At the end of Title III, insert the following:

SEC. _____. ESTATE TAX REFORM INITIATIVE.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the aggregates, allocations and other appropriate levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that provides up to $45,000,000,000 in tax relief over the period of the total of the fiscal years 2008 through 2013 for additional estate tax reforms that address the current flaws in the estate tax law, 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 4197. Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. CASEY) 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, add the following:

SEC. _____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR 3-YEAR EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM FOR NATIONAL AND STATE BACKGROUND CHECKS ON DIRECT PATIENT ACCESS EMPLOYEES OF LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES OR PROVIDERS.

If the Senate Committee on Finance reports a bill or joint resolution or an amendment is offered thereto or a conference report is submitted thereon, that provides for a 3-year extension of the pilot program for national and State background checks on direct patient access employees of long-term care facilities or providers under section 307 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (42 U.S.C. 1395aa note) and removes the limit on the number of participating States under such pilot program, the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the aggregates, allocations, and other appropriate levels in this resolution by the amounts provided in such legislation for those purposes up to $160,000,000, 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 4198. Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. JOHNSON, 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; as follows:

On page 19, line 16, increase the amount by $1,000,000,000.

On page 19, line 17, increase the amount by $915,000,000.

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by $70,000,000.

On page 19, line 25, increase the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 20, line 4, increase the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $1,000,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $915,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $70,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

SA 4199. 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:

On page 50, line 20, insert ‘‘, reinstatement of expired tax relief, such as enhanced charitable giving from individual retirement accounts, including life-income gifts,’’ after ‘‘expiring tax relief’’.

SA 4200. 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:

On page 57, line 12, insert ‘‘for 5 years’’ after ‘‘to extend’’.

SA 4201. Mr. DODD (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. LIEBERMAN) 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 255, add the following:

SEC. 308. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR PROVISION OF CRITICAL RESOURCES TO FIREFIGHTERS AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the aggregates, allocations, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that would provide firefighters and fire departments with critical resources under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant and the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Firefighters Grant of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, by the amounts provided in that legislation for those purposes, 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 4202. 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:

At the end of title III, add the following:

SEC. _____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TAX BENEFITS INTO A NEW HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY CREDIT.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution by the amounts provided by a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would consolidate higher education tax benefits into a new higher education opportunity credit which is allowed for up to 3 students per taxpayer for any year, which is allowed with respect to 4 years of education, and a portion of which is refundable for individuals serving in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, 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 4203. Mr. GREGG (for Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. CASEY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. DOLE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. DODD, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SMITH, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. OBAMA, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. LAUTENBERG)) 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 19, line 16, increase the amount by $2,100,000,000.

On page 19, line 17, increase the amount by $2,100,000,000.

On page 21, line 16, increase the amount by $1,000,000,000.

On page 21, line 17, increase the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 21, line 21, increase the amount by $280,000,000.

On page 21, line 25, increase the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $3,100,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $2,800,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $280,000,000.

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

SA 4204. Mr. CONRAD 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:

At the end of Title III, insert the following:

SEC. . DEFICIT–NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR REPEALING THE 1993 INCREASE IN THE INCOME TAX ON SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS.

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 repeal the 1993 increase in the income tax on Social Security benefits, 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 4205. Mr. BARRASSO 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 $5,000,000.

On page 13, line 14, increase the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

SA 4206. Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Mr. ENZI) 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 $50,000,000.

On page 13, line 14, increase the amount by $50,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $50,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $50,000,000.

SA 4207. Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. DOMENICI) 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:

At the end of title III, add the following:

SEC. 3_____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND TO IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND PRODUCTION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution by the amounts provided by a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would encourage—

(1) consumers to replace old conventional wood stoves with new clean wood, pellet, or

corn stoves certified by the Environmental Protection Agency;

(2) consumers to install smart electricity meters in homes and businesses;

(3) the capture and storage of carbon dioxide emissions from coal projects;

(4) the development of oil and natural gas resources beneath the outer Continental Shelf; and

(5) the development of oil shale resources on public land pursuant to section 369(d) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15927(d)), without regard to section 433 of the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–161).

(b) DEFICIT NEUTRALITY.—Subsection (a) applies only if the legislation described in subsection (a) would not increase the deficit over the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4208. Mr. DOLE (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. VITTER) 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 24, line 16, increase the amount by $75,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $60,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $7,500,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $7,500,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $75,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $60,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $7,500,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $7,500,000.

SA 4209. Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. LEVIN) 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 57, line 13, after ''resources,'' insert ''the biodiesel production tax credit, or''

On page 57, line 14, after ''program,'' insert ''to provide a tax credit for clean burning wood stoves, a tax credit for production of cellulosic ethanol, a tax credit for plug-in hybrid vehicles,''

On page 57, line 16, after ''plants'' insert ''Tax legislation under this section may be paid for by adjustments to Sections 167(h) and 263(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as it relates to major integrated oil companies.''

SA 4210. Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself 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, insert ''rail (including high-speed passenger rail), airport, seaport,'' after ''transit''.

SA 4211. Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) 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 17, line 14, increase the amount by $141,000,000.

On page 17, line 15, increase the amount by $92,000,000.

On page 17, line 19, increase the amount by $24,000,000.

On page 17, line 23, increase the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 18, line 3, increase the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $141,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $92,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $24,000,000.

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

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

SA 4212. Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. BAUCUS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. CONRAD, Ms. STABENOW, and 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 16, line 9, increase the amount by $3,500,000,000.

On page 16, line 10, increase the amount by $3,500,000,000.

On page 27, line 12, decrease the amount by $3,500,000,000.

On page 27, line 13, decrease the amount by $3,500,000,000.

SA 4213. Mr. ISAKSON 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 52, strike line 3 through line 7, and insert the following:

or other sources, or provide a Federal income tax credit in an amount not to exceed $15,000 equally divided among 3 taxable years to the purchaser of a qualified principal residence that is—

(1) a new previously unoccupied residence for which the building permit is issued and construction begins on or before September 1, 2007, but only if such residence is purchased by the taxpayer directly from the person to whom such building permit was issued;

(2) an owner-occupied residence with respect to which the owner's acquisition indebtedness is in default on or before March 1, 2008; or

(3) a single-family residence with respect to which a foreclosure event has taken place and which is owned by the mortgagor or the mortgagor's agent, but only if such residence was occupied as a principal residence by the mortgagee for at least 1 year prior to the foreclosure event;

by the amounts provided in such legislation for those purposes, 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 4214. Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. TESTER, Mr. SALAZAR, and Mr. BENNETT) 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, add the following:

SEC. 3____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND TO TERMINATE DEDUCTIONS FROM MINERAL REVENUE PAYMENTS TO STATES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution by the amounts provided by a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would terminate the authority to deduct certain amounts from mineral revenues payable to States under the second undesignated paragraph of the matter under the heading ''ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS'' under the heading ''MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE'' of title I of the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–161; 121 Stat. 2109).

(b) DEFICIT NEUTRALITY.—Subsection (a) applies only if the legislation described in subsection (a) would not increase the deficit over the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4215. Mr. ENZI (for himself and Mr. BARRASSO) 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, add the following:

SEC. 3____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND TO IMPROVE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DISEASE PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution by the amounts provided by a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would ensure that the animal health and disease program established under section 1433 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3195) is fully funded.

(b) DEFICIT NEUTRALITY.—Subsection (a) applies only if the legislation described in subsection (a) would not increase the deficit over the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2013 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4216. Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. BURR, and Mr. HATCH) 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 CONCERNING UNITED STATES HIV TREATMENT PROGRAMS.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

(1) it has been over 25 years since AIDS was first recognized as an epidemic in the United States;

(2) since we first recognized AIDS, it has become the greatest public health challenge of the last two decades;

(3) globally there have been more than 22,000,000 AIDS related deaths, 500,000 in the United States alone;

(4) today in America, there are 1,000,000 individuals living with HIV/AIDS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(5) more African Americans, women, and individuals in rural areas (especially in the South) are infected and dying from HIV than ever before;

(6) according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, African Americans account for more AIDS diagnoses, individuals estimated to be living with AIDS, and HIV-related deaths than any other racial or ethnic group in the United States;

(7) the percentage of AIDS diagnoses occurring among African Americans has risen from 25 percent in 1985 to approximately 50 percent in 2004 according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(8) according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the rate of AIDS diagnoses for black adults and adolescents was 10 times the rate for whites and nearly 3 times the rate for Hispanics;

(9) the rate of AIDS diagnoses for black men was 8 times the rate for white men according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(10) early in the epidemic, HIV infection and AIDS were diagnosed for relatively few women;

(11) today, the HIV/AIDS epidemic represents a growing and persistent health threat to women in the United States, especially young women and women of color, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(12) according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, women accounted for 27 percent of new AIDS cases in 2004;

(13) of these women newly diagnosed with AIDS, 67 percent were African Americans and 15 percent were Latin;

(14) the only diseases causing more deaths of women were cancer and heart disease, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(15) according to a recent Centers for Disease Control and Prevention study, women were slightly less likely than men to receive prescriptions for the most effective treatments for HIV infection;

(16) an estimated 4,128 women with AIDS died, representing 25 percent of individuals with AIDS who died in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(17) according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, women with AIDS made up an increasing part of the epidemic;

(18) in 1992, women accounted for an estimated 14 percent of adults and adolescents living with AIDS in the United States;

(19) by the end of 2005, the proportion described in paragraph (18) had grown to 23 percent;

(20) women of color are particularly at risk for AIDS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(21) data from the 2005 census show that together, black and Hispanic women represent 24 percent of all United States women with AIDS;

(22) however, black and Hispanic women accounted for 82 percent of the estimated total of AIDS diagnoses for women in 2005;

(23) the rate of AIDS diagnoses for black women was nearly 23 times the rate for white women, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(24) the HIV epidemic is moving to the South, with seven of the States with the 10 highest AIDS case rates now located in the South;

(25) in the Government Accountability Office's analysis of the Ryan White formulas, the Office determined that counting HIV cases would mean that Southern grantees would generally have received more funding;

(26) the Kaiser Family Foundation recently reported that the number of AIDS cases in the United States rose by 1 percent between 2000 and 2001 and 9 percent in the South, while AIDS cases fell by 8 percent in the Northeast;

(27) while only 36 percent of the United States population lives in the South, 40 percent of all people living with AIDS and 46 percent of new AIDS cases live in the Southern region;

(28) according to the Health Resources and Services Administration, 531,000 individuals each year receive at least one medical, health, or related support service from a Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program provider;

(29) in recognition of the changing face of AIDS in the United States, after deliberation for more a year, the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate reported out a bill to revamp the funding formulas for the domestic care program (Ryan White) on December 6, 2006, by a unanimous vote;

(30) the Senate passed the Ryan White revised funding formula changes by unanimous consent on December 6, 2006, and in doing so, the Senate reaffirmed that Federal resources for HIV/AIDS should go to where the epidemic is today and will be tomorrow, not where it was a decade ago;

(31) the House of Representatives passed the Ryan White revised funding changes on December 9, 2006, unanimously;

(32) the President reaffirmed his commitment to providing care for those with HIV when he signed the newly revised funding formulas to Ryan White on December 19, 2006;

(33) the Senate reaffirmed its commitment to the Ryan White funding formulas with an amendment to the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008 (H.R. 3043, 110th Congress) on October 23, 2007;

(34) the Ryan White amendment referred to in paragraph (33) was accepted by the Senate by a roll call vote of 65-28; and

(35) that amendment stated that ''[n]otwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds shall be made available under this Act to modify the HIV/AIDS funding formulas under title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act''.

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

(1) the Senate acknowledges that the face of HIV is changing and that funding formulas for care programs should recognize the changing demographics of the disease domestically;

(2) the Senate supports the Ryan White program, authorized under title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act, and reaffirms that this program makes the right care and treatment possible for low-income, uninsured and under-insured men, women, children, and youth with no other way to meet their medical care and support needs; and

(3) the Senate reaffirms that Federal resources for HIV/AIDS should go to where the epidemic is today and will be tomorrow, not where it was a decade ago, by following the newly authorized Ryan White funding formulas.

SA 4217. Mr. BUNNING (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mr. DEMINT) 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 13, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $200,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $700,000,000.

SA 4218. Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. CASEY) 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, increase the amount by $10,800,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, increase the amount by $16,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, increase the amount by $5,100,000,000.

On page 3, line 20, increase the amount by $10,800,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, increase the amount by $16,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, increase the amount by $5,100,000,000.

On page 4, line 5, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by $4,100,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, increase the amount by $4,196,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by $11,966,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by $9,443,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $3,187,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $708,000,000.

On page 4, line 23, decrease the amount by $6,604,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, decrease the amount by $4,634,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by $4,343,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by $3,187,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $708,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, decrease the amount by $6,604,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, decrease the amount by $11,238,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, decrease the amount by $6,895,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, decrease the amount by $3,708,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, decrease the amount by $3,000,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, decrease the amount by $6,604,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, decrease the amount by $11,238,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, decrease the amount by $6,895,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, decrease the amount by $3,708,000,000.

On page 5, line 20, decrease the amount by $3,000,000,000.

On page 18, line 16, increase the amount by $6,200,000,000.

On page 18, line 17, increase the amount by $1,244,000,000.

On page 18, line 20, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 18, line 21, increase the amount by $6,766,000,000.

On page 18, line 24, increase the amount by $2,000,000,000.

On page 18, line 25, increase the amount by $6,459,000,000.

On page 19, line 4, increase the amount by $2,843,000,000.

On page 19, line 8, increase the amount by $688,000,000.

On page 21, line 16, increase the amount by $3,600,000,000.

On page 21, line 17, increase the amount by $2,952,000,000.

On page 21, line 20, increase the amount by $5,800,000,000.

On page 21, line 21, increase the amount by $5,200,000,000.

On page 21, line 24, increase the amount by $2,100,000,000.

On page 21, line 25, increase the amount by $2,984,000,000.

On page 22, line 4, increase the amount by $344,000,000.

On page 22, line 8, increase the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 32, line 10, increase the amount by $8,600,000,000.

On page 32, line 11, increase the amount by $2,996,000,000.

SA 4219. Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. VOINOVICH)) 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 50, line 21, insert ''and incentivizing utilization of accumulated alternative minimum tax and research and development credits'' after ''refundable tax relief''.

SA 4220. Mr. CARDIN 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 $12,000,000.

On page 13, line 14, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 13, line 18, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $12,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

SA 4221. Mr. SUNUNU 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 62, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

(3) ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that promote the deployment and use of electronic prescribing technologies through financial incentives, including grants and bonus payments, and potential adjustments in the Medicare reimbursement mechanisms for physicians, by the amounts provided in such legislation for those purposes, 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 4222. Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. INHOFE) proposed an amendment to the concurren 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 4, line 14, decrease the amount by $583,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by $415,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by $134,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $34,000.

On page 4, line 23, decrease the amount by $583,000.

On page 4, line 24, increase the amount by $415,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by $134,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by $34,000.

On page 5, line 8, decrease the amount by $583,000.

On page 5, line 9, decrease the amount by $168,000.

On page 5, line 10, decrease the amount by $34,000.

On page 5, line 16, decrease the amount by $583,000.

On page 5, line 17, decrease the amount by $168,000.

On page 5, line 18, decrease the amount by $34,000.

On page 18, line 16, increase the amount by $670,000.

On page 18, line 17, increase the amount by $20,000.

On page 18, line 21, increase the amount by $482,000.

On page 18, line 25, increase the amount by $134,000.

On page 19, line 4, increase the amount by $34,000.

On page 24, line 16, decrease the amount by $670,000.

On page 24, line 17, decrease the amount by $603,000.

On page 24, line 21, decrease the amount by $67,000.

SA 4223. Mrs. BOXER 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 13, line 13, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 13, line 14, increase the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 13, line 18, increase the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 13, line 22, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 14, line 1, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 14, line 5, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

SA 4224. Mrs. BOXER 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 13, line 13, increase the amount by $314,000,000.

On page 13, line 14, increase the amount by $79,000,000.

On page 13, line 18, increase the amount by $110,000,000.

On page 13, line 22, increase the amount by $63,000,000.

On page 14, line 1, increase the amount by $31,000,000.

On page 14, line 5, increase the amount by $16,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $314,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $79,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $110,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $63,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $31,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $16,000,000.

SA 4225. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. CLINTON, and Mr. BINGAMAN) 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 24, line 16, increase the amount by $533,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $117,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $160,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $107,000,000.

On page 25, line 4, increase the amount by $80,000,000.

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by $69,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $533,000,000.

On page 27, line 17 decrease the amount by $117,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $160,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $107,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $80,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $69,000,000.

At the end of the resolution, insert the following:

SEC. ____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR REIMBURSING STATES FOR THE COSTS OF HOUSING UNDOCUMENTED CRIMINAL ALIENS.

The Chairman of the Committee on the Budget of the Senate may revise the aggregates, allocations, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for 1 or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that would reimburse States and units of local government for costs incurred to house undocumented criminal aliens, by the amounts provided in such legislation for those purposes, 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 4226. Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. OBAMA, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, 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 19, line 16, $10,000,000.
On page 19, line 17, $9,000,000.
On page 19, line 21, $1,000,000.
On page 27, line 16, $10,000,000.
On page 27, line 17, $9,000,000.
On page 27, line 21, $1,000,000.

SA 4227. Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. WARNER)) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. Reid 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 18, line 16, increase the amount by $53,000,000.

On page 18, line 17, increase the amount by $34,000,000.

On page 18, line 21, increase the amount by $17,000,000.

On page 18, line 25, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $53,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $34,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $17,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $2,000,000.

SA 4228. Mr. MARTINEZ (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. CRAIG) 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 3, line 20, decrease the amount by $63,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $239,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $484,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $687,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, decrease the amount by $780,000,000.

On page 4, line 5, decrease the amount by $63,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, decrease the amount by $239,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, decrease the amount by $484,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, decrease the amount by $687,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, decrease the amount by $780,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, decrease the amount by $63,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, decrease the amount by $239,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $484,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, decrease the amount by $687,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, 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 4229. 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:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE INTERNET SITES FOR THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION RELATING TO PAYMENTS MADE UNDER THE STATE MEDICAID PROGRAM.

If the Senate Committee on Finance reports a bill or joint resolution or an amendment is offered thereto or a conference report is submitted thereon, that provides for States to disclose, through a publicly accessible Internet site, each hospital, nursing facility, outpatient surgery center, intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded, institution for mental diseases, or other institutional provider that receives payment under the State Medicaid program, the total amount paid to each such provider each fiscal year, the number of patients treated by each such provider, and the amount of dollars paid per patient to each such provider, and provided that the Committee is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may make the appropriate adjustments in the allocations and aggregates to reflect such legislation if any such measure 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 4230. Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BOND, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. FEINGOLD, and 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 24, line 16, increase the amount by $386,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $85,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $116,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $77,000,000.

On page 25, line 4, increase the amount by $58,000,000.

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by $50,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $386,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $85,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $116,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $77,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $58,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $50,000,000.

SA 4231. Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. DEMINT, and Mrs. DOLE) 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 69, after line 25, add the following:

SEC. 308. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR BORDER SECURITY, IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT, AND CRIMINAL ALIEN REMOVAL PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Chairman of the Committee on the Budget of the Senate may revise the allocations of 1 or more committees, aggregates, and other appropriate levels in this resolution by the amounts authorized to be appropriated for the programs described in paragraphs (1) through (6) in 1 or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports that funds border security, immigration enforcement, and criminal alien removal programs, including programs that—

(1) expand the zero tolerance prosecution policy for illegal entry (commonly known as "Operation Streamline") to all 20 border sectors;

(2) complete the 700 miles of pedestrian fencing required under section 102(b)(1) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1103 note);

(3) deploy up to 6,000 National Guard members to the southern border of the United States;

(4) evaluate the 27 percent of the Federal, State, and local prison populations who are noncitizens in order to identify removable criminal aliens;

(5) train and reimburse State and local law enforcement officers under Memorandums of Understanding entered into under section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1357(g)); or

(6) implement the exit data portion of the US–VISIT entry and exit data system at airports, seaports, and land ports of entry.

(b) LIMITATION.—The authority under subsection (a) may not be used unless the appropriations in the legislation described in subsection (a) would not increase the deficit over—

(1) the 6-year period comprised of fiscal years 2008 through 2013; or

(2) the 11-year period comprised of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4232. 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, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, decrease the amount by $225,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $150,000,000.

On page 4, line 23, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, decrease the amount by $225,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, decrease the amount by $150,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, decrease the amount by $600,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, decrease the amount by $600,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 5, line 20, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $225,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $150,000,000.

On page 32, line 10, decrease the amount by $750,000,000.

On page 32, line 11, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

SA 4233. Mr. ALLARD (for himself and Mr. THUNE) 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 60, line 8, insert "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" after "children,".

SA 4234. 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:

At the end of title II, insert the following:

SEC. ___. PROHIBITION ON USE OF PAYMENT OR TIMING SHIFTS TO SATISFY CONDITIONS FOR BUDGET POINTS OF ORDER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In the Senate, for purposes of determining budgetary impacts to evaluate points of order set out under this resolution, any previous budget resolution, and the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, provisions contained in any bill, resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that result in the shift of equal and offsetting amounts of tax revenue or equal and offsetting amounts of direct spending from 1 fiscal year into another shall not be scored.

(b) DEFINITION.—In this section, provisions described in subsection (a) include shifting corporate estimated tax payments between fiscal years and moving pay dates for Federal Government salaried or Federal Government benefits from 1 fiscal year into another.

SA 4235. 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:

At the end of title II, insert the following:

SEC. ___. PROHIBITION ON USE OF PAYMENT OR TIMING SHIFTS TO SATISFY CONDITIONS FOR BUDGET POINTS OF ORDER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In the Senate, for purposes of determining budgetary impacts to evaluate points of order set out under this resolution with respect to the scoring of a reserve fund established in this resolution, provisions contained in any bill, resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that result in the shift of equal and offsetting amounts of tax revenue or equal and offsetting amounts of direct spending from 1 fiscal year into another shall not be scored.

(b) DEFINITION.—In this section, provisions described in subsection (a) include shifting corporate estimated tax payments between fiscal years and moving pay dates for Federal Government salaried or Federal Government benefits from 1 fiscal year into another.

SA 4236. Mr. VOINOVICH 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 49, strike line 24 and insert the following:

SEC. 225. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST COSTS.

(a) POINT OF ORDER.—It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider any direct spending or revenue bill, resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that is required to contain the statement described in section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 639(a)), unless such statement contains a projection by the Congressional Budget Office of the cost of the debt servicing that would be caused by such a bill, resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report for such fiscal year (or fiscal years) and each of the 4 ensuing fiscal years.

(b) SUPERMAJORITY WAIVER AND APPEAL.—

(1) WAIVER.—In the Senate, subsection (a) may be waived or suspended only by an affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn.

(2) APPEAL.—An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under subsection (a).

SEC. 226. EXERCISE OF RULEMAKING POWERS.

SA 4237. Mr. VOINOVICH 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 37, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

(G) TAX AND ENTITLEMENT REFORM COMMISSION LEGISLATION.—If a bill or joint resolution is reported making appropriations for fiscal year 2009 that appropriates $1,000,000 for a bipartisan commission that will transmit to Congress a legislative proposal designed to address the long-term fiscal imbalance, and provides for expedited procedures to guarantee a vote on final passage of the recommendations of the commission, the discretionary spending limits, allocation to the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and aggregates may be adjusted by the amounts provided in such legislation for that purpose, but not to exceed $1,000,000 in budget authority for fiscal year 2009 and the outlays flowing therefrom.

SA 4238. Mr. VOINOVICH 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 30, after line 23, add the following:

SEC. 202. EMERGENCY LEGISLATION.

Section 204(a) of S. Con. Res. 21 (110th Congress), is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(8) FISCAL YEAR 2009.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—When the Senate is considering a bill, resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report, a point of order may be made against an emergency designation in that measure if that emergency designation would cause the total amount of all new budget authority or outlays for fiscal year 2009 designated as an emergency requirement under paragraph (2) in the Senate to be more than—

''(i) $65,000,000,000; or

''(ii) $15,000,000,000 for purposes other than overseas contingency operations.

''(B) POINT OF ORDER.—If a point of order is made under subparagraph (A), the provision making the emergency designation in excess of the amount described in that subparagraph shall be stricken from the measure and may not be offered as an amendment from the floor.

''(C) NO WAIVER.—A point of order under subparagraph (A) may not be waived.''.

SA 4239. Mr. INHOFE 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 SENATE ON FUNDING FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE IN FUTURE FISCAL YEARS.

(a) FINDING.—The Senate finds that the budget of the President for fiscal year 2009 requests funds for national defense, exclusive of wartime costs and supplemental appropriations, that constitute an amount equal to approximately 3.3 percent of the current gross domestic product of the United States.

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

(1) the amount of funds for national defense, exclusive of wartime costs and supplemental appropriations, for fiscal year 2010 should be not less than an amount equal to 3.7 percent of the then-current gross domestic product of the United States;

(2) it should be the policy of the United States to fund national defense, exclusive of such costs and appropriations, for fiscal year 2011 in an amount equal to not less than 4 percent of the then-current gross domestic product of the United States; and

(3) the amount of funding for national defense, exclusive of such costs and appropriations, for each fiscal year after fiscal year 2011 should be the amount of funds for national defense for the preceding fiscal year as adjusted pursuant to the most appropriate cost adjustment index.

SA 4240. Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. ENZI, Mr. DEMINT, and Mr. GREGG) 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, decrease the amount by $125,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, decrease the amount by $300,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, decrease the amount by $450,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, decrease the amount by $550,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, decrease the amount by $125,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, decrease the amount by $300,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, decrease the amount by $450,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, decrease the amount by $550,000,000.

On page 4, line 23, decrease the amount by $125,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, decrease the amount by $300,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, decrease the amount by $450,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, decrease the amount by $550,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, decrease the amount by $125,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, decrease the amount by $425,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, decrease the amount by $800,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, decrease the amount by $1,250,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, decrease the amount by $1,800,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, decrease the amount by $125,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, decrease the amount by $425,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, decrease the amount by $800,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, decrease the amount by $1,250,000,000.

On page 5, line 20, decrease the amount by $1,800,000,000.

On page 20, line 16, decrease the amount by $125,000,000.

On page 20, line 17, decrease the amount by $125,000,000.

On page 20, line 20, decrease the amount by $300,000,000.

On page 20, line 21, decrease the amount by $300,000,000.

On page 20, line 24, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 20, line 25, decrease the amount by $375,000,000.

On page 21, line 3, decrease the amount by $450,000,000.

On page 21, line 4, decrease the amount by $450,000,000.

On page 21, line 7, decrease the amount by $550,000,000.

On page 21, line 8, decrease the amount by $550,000,000.

SA 4241. Mr. ENSIGN (for himself and Mr. DEMINT) 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, add the following:

SEC. ____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR ALLOWING TAXPAYERS PURCHASING HIGH-DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH INSURANCE IN THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET TO USE AMOUNTS FROM A HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT TO PAY PLAN PREMIUMS.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution by the amounts provided by a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the definition of qualified medical expenses under section 223 of such Code to allow taxpayers purchasing high-deductible health insurance in the individual market to use amounts from a health savings account (including employer contributions) to pay plan premiums, 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 4242. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. HATCH) 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:

At the end of title II, insert the following:

SEC. ___. POINT OF ORDER ON LEGISLATION THAT RAISES INCOME TAX RATES.

(a) POINT OF ORDER.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In the Senate, it shall not be in order to consider any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that includes a Federal income tax rate increase.

(2) DEFINITION.—In this subsection the term ''Federal income tax rate increase'' means any amendment to subsection (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e) of section 1, or to section 11(b) or 55(b), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, that imposes a new percentage as a rate of tax and thereby increases the amount of tax imposed by any such section.

(b) WAIVER.—This section may be waived or suspended only by an affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, dully chosen and sworn.

(c) APPEALS.—An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under this section.

SA 4243. Mr. VITTER 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 $26,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 24, line 20, increase the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $26,000,000.

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

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 25, line 3, increase the amount by $26,000,000.

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

On page 25, line 7, increase the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

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

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $26,000,000.

SA 4244. Mr. ROBERTS 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 21, line 16, increase the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 21, line 17, increase the amount by $15,200,000.

On page 21, line 20, increase the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 21, line 21, increase the amount by $12,200,000.

On page 21, line 24, increase the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 21, line 25, increase the amount by $10,100,000.

On page 22, line 3, increase the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 22, line 4, increase the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 22, line 8, increase the amount by $2,400,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $15,200,000.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $12,200,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $10,100,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $2,400,000.

SA 4245. Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SMITH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. DODD, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERRY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. CORKER, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. HAGEL) 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 10, line 12, increase the amount by $4,139,000,000.

On page 10, line 13, increase the amount by $2,127,000,000.

On page 10, line 17, increase the amount by $1,142,000,000.

On page 10, line 21, increase the amount by $418,000,000.

On page 10, line 25, increase the amount by $290,000,000.

On page 11, line 4, increase the amount by $161,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $4,139,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $2,127,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $1,142,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $418,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $290,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $161,000,000.

SA 4246. Mr. ALLARD 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, increase the amount by $291,630,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, increase the amount by $275,801,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, increase the amount $278,191,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, increase the amount by $282,588,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, increase the amount by $288,168,000,000.

On page 3, line 20, increase the amount by $291,630,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, increase the amount by $275,801,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, increase the amount by $278,191,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, increase the amount by $282,588,000,000.

On page 3, line 24, increase the amount by $288,168,000,000.

On page 4, line 5, increase the amount by $291,630,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by $275,801,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by $278,191,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by $282,588,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $288,168,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, increase the amount by $291,630,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by $275,801,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by $278,191,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $282,588,000,000.

On 4, line 18, increase the amount by $288,168,000,000.

On 9, line 13, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On 9, line 1, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On 9, line 21, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On 9, line 25, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On 10, line 3, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On 9, line 14, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On 9, line 18, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On 9, line 22, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On 9, line 26, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On page 10, line 4, increase the amount by $6,624,000,000.

On page 10, line 12, increase the amount by $7,184,000,000.

On page 10, line 16, increase the amount by $5,120,000,000.

On page 10, line 20, increase the amount by $5,120,000,000.

On page 10, line 24, increase the amount by $5,120,000,000.

On page 11, line 3, increase the amount by $5,120,000,000.

On page 10, line 13, increase the amount by $7,184,000,000.

On page 10, line 17, increase the amount by $5,120,000,000.

On page 10, line 21, increase the amount by $5,120,000,000.

On page 10, line 25, increase the amount by $5,120,000,000.

On page 11, line 4, increase the amount by $5,120,000,000.

On page 12, line 13, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 12, line 17, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 12, line 21, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 12, line 25, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 13, line 4, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 12, line 14, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 12, line 18, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 12, line 22, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 13, line 1, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

On page 13, line 5, increase the amount by $15,000,000,000.

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

On page 13, line 17, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 13, line 21, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 13, line 25, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 14, line 4, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 13, line 14, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 13, line 18, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 13, line 22, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 14, line 1, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 14, line 5, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 15, line 13, increase the amount by $5,302,000,000.

On page 15, line 17, increase the amount by $5,252,000,000.

On page 15, line 21, increase the amount by $5,252,000,000.

On page 15, line 25, increase the amount by $5,252,000,000.

On page 16, line 4, increase the amount by $5,252,000,000.

On page 15, line 14, increase the amount by $5,302,000,000.

On page 15, line 18, increase the amount by $5,252,000,000.

On page 15, line 22, increase the amount by $5,252,000,000.

On page 16, line 1, increase the amount by $5,252,000,000.

On page 16, line 5, increase the amount by $5,252,000,000.

On page 16, line 13, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000

On page 16, line 17, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 16, line 21, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 16, line 25, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 17, line 4, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 16, line 14, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 16, line 18, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 16, line 22, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 17, line 1, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 17, line 5, increase the amount by $6,021,000,000.

On page 17, line 14, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 17, line 18, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 17, line 22, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 18, line 2, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 18, line 6, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 17, line 15, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 17, line 19, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 17, line 23, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 18, line 3, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 18, line 7, increase the amount by $4,036,000,000.

On page 18, line 16, increase the amount by $41,165,000,000.

On page 18, line 20, increase the amount by $41,115,000,000.

On page 18, line 24, increase the amount by $41,115,000,000.

On page 19, line 3, increase the amount by $41,038,000,000.

On page 19, line 7, increase the amount by $41,038,000,000.

On page 18, line 17, increase the amount by $41,165,000,000.

On page 18, line 21, increase the amount by $41,115,000,000.

On page 18, line 25, increase the amount by $41,115,000,000.

On page 19, line 4, increase the amount by $41,038,000,000.

On page 19, line 8, increase the amount by $41,038,000,000.

On page 19, line 16, increase the amount by $70,650,000,000.

On page 19, line 20, increase the amount by $70,425,000,000.

On page 19, line 24, increase the amount by $70,425,000,000.

On page 20, line 3, increase the amount by $70,425,000,000.

On page 20, line 7, increase the amount by $70,425,000,000.

On page 19, line 17, increase the amount by $70,650,000,000.

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by $70,425,000,000.

On page 19, line 25, increase the amount by $70,425,000,000.

On page 20, line 4, increase the amount by $70,425,000,000.

On page 20, line 8, increase the amount by $70,425,000,000.

On page 20, line 20, increase the amount by $16,560,000,000.

On page 20, line 24, increase the amount by $28,950,000,000.

On page 21, line 3, increase the amount by $33,600,000,000.

On page 21, line 7, increase the amount by $39,180,000,000.

On page 20, line 21, increase the amount by $16,560,000,000.

On page 20, line 25, increase the amount by $28,950,000,000.

On page 21, line 4, increase the amount by $33,600,000,000.

On page 21, line 8, increase the amount by $39,180,000,000.

On page 21, line 16, increase the amount by $118,016,000,000.

On page 21, line 20, increase the amount by $88,016,000,000.

On page 21, line 24, increase the amount by $78,016,000,000.

On page 22, line 3, increase the amount by $77,840,000,000.

On page 22, line 7, increase the amount by $77,840,000,000.

On page 21, line 17, increase the amount by $118,016,000,000.

On page 21, line 21, increase the amount by $88,016,000,000.

On page 21, line 25, increase the amount by $78,016,000,000.

On page 22, line 4, increase the amount by $77,840,000,000.

On page 22, line 8, increase the amount by $77,840,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 27, line 20, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 27, line 17 increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, increase the amount by $5,170,000,000.

On page 23, line 16, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 23, line 20, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 23, line 24, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 24, line 3, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 24, line 7, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 23, line 17, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 23, line 21, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 23, line 25, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 24, line 4, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 24, line 8, increase the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 24, line 16, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 24, line 20, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 24, line 24, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 25, line 3, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 25, line 7, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 25, line 4, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by $9,800,000,000.

On page 25, line 16, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 25, line 20, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 26, line 7, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 25, line 17, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 25, line 21, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 26, line 8, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

SA 4247. 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 3, line 11, decrease the amount by $678,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $1,158,000,000.

On page 13, line 13, decrease the amount by $862,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $689,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $540,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $678,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $678,000,000.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by $1,158,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $1,158,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $862,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $862,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $689,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $689,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by $540,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $540,000,000.

SA 4248. Mr. BARRASSO 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 62, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

(3) RURAL EQUITY PAYMENT POLICIES.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the aggregates, allocations, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that—

(A) preserves existing Medicare payment provisions supporting America's rural health care delivery system; and

(B) promotes Medicare payment policies that increase access to quality health care in isolated and underserved rural areas,

by the amounts provided in such legislation for those purposes, 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 4249. 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:

On page 19, line 16, increase the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 19, line 17, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 19, line 25, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

SA 4250. Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. CASEY) 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, add the following:

SEC. _____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR 3-YEAR EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM FOR NATIONAL AND STATE BACKGROUND CHECKS ON DIRECT PATIENT ACCESS EMPLOYEES OF LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES OR PROVIDERS.

If the Senate Committee on Finance reports a bill or joint resolution or an amendment is offered thereto or a conference report is submitted thereon, that provides for a 3-year extension of the pilot program for national and State background checks on direct patient access employees of long-term care facilities or providers under section 307 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (42 U.S.C. 1395aa note) and removes the limit on the number of participating States under such pilot program, the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the aggregates, allocations, and other appropriate levels in this resolution by the amounts provided in such legislation for those purposes up to $160,000,000, 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 4251. 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 18, line 12, increase the amount by $250,000,000.

On page 18, line 13, increase the amount by $100,000,000.

On page 18, line 17, increase the amount by $110,000,000.

On page 18, line 21, increase the amount by $29,000,000.

On page 18, line 25, increase the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 19, line 4, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 27, line 12, decrease the amount by $250,000,000.

On page 27, line 13, decrease the amount by $100,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $110,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $29,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $3,000,000.

SA 4252. Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. CASEY, and Mrs. BOXER) 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 53, between line 16 and 17, insert the following:

(3) provides up to $40,000,000 for the emergency food assistance program established under the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 7501 et seq.);

SA 4253. Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. DURBIN) 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 $184,000,000.

On page 19, line 17, increase the amount by $96,000,000.

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by $70,000,000.

On page 19, line 25, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 20, line 4, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $184,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $96,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $70,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $9,000,000.

SA 4254. Mr. DODD (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, 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:

On page 19, line 16, increase the amount by $197,000,000.

On page 19, line 17, increase the amount by $73,000,000.

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by $93,000,000.

On page 19, line 25, increase the amount by $22,000,000.

On page 20, line 4, increase the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $197,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $73,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $93,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $22,000,000.

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

SA 4255. Mr. KOHL 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 $170,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $48,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $43,000,000.

On page 25, line 4, increase the amount by $34,000,000.

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

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $170,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $48,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $43,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $34,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $25,000,000.

SA 4256. Mr. CASEY 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 the bill, insert the following:

SEC. 308. DEFICIT-REDUCTION RESERVE FUND.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the aggregates, allocations, functional totals, and other appropriate levels and limits in this resolution upon enactment of legislation that achieves savings by reducing funding for non-competitive Federal media contracts or Federal public relations campaigns and better regulates the use of such contracts and campaigns to prevent political or other abuses, and uses such savings to reduce the deficit 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 4257. Mr. NELSON of Florida 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 60, line 22, insert after ''family members'' the following: ''or veterans (including the elimination of the offset between Survivor Benefit Plan annuities and veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation)''.

SA 4258. 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:

On page 53, line 16, insert '', provided that a State may receive funds for such child care entitlement only if beneficiaries of assistance under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program in the State are required to participate in 40 hours per week of work activities (as defined in section 407(d) of the Social Security Act)'' after ''States''.

SA 4259. Mr. MENENDEZ 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 69, after line 25, add the following:

SEC. 308. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR IMMIGRATION REFORM AND ENFORCEMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Chairman of the Committee on the Budget of the Senate may revise the allocations of a committee or committees, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution for 1 or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports, by the amounts provided in such legislation for the purposes described in paragraphs (1) through (7), that—

(1) provide for increased border security, enforcement of immigration laws, greater staffing, and immigration reform measures;

(2) increase criminal and civil penalties against employers who hire undocumented immigrants;

(3) prohibit employers who hire undocumented immigrants from receiving Federal contracts;

(4) provide funding for the enforcement of the employer sanctions described in paragraphs (2) and (3) and other employer sanctions for hiring undocumented immigrants;

(5) deploy an appropriate number of National Guard troops to the southern or northern border of the United States provided that—

(A) the Secretary of Defense certifies that the deployment would not negatively impact the safety of American forces in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

(B) the Governor of the National Guard's home State certifies that the deployment would not have a negative impact on the safety and security of that State;

(6) evaluate the Federal, State, and local prison populations that are noncitizens in order to identify removable criminal aliens; or

(7) implement the exit data portion of the US–VISIT entry and exit data system at airports, seaports, and land ports of entry.

(b) LIMITATION.—The authority under subsection (a) may not be used unless the legislation described in subsection (a) would not increase the deficit over—

(1) the total period comprised of fiscal years 2008 through 2013; or

(2) the total period comprised of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

SA 4260. Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. REID 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 45, after line 25, add the following:

SEC. 215. FISCAL YEAR 2009 MORATORIUM ON ABUSIVE AND UNCHECKED NO BID CONTRACTS.

(a) BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.—

(1) POINT OF ORDER.—It shall not be in order to consider—

(A) a bill or joint resolution reported by any committee that includes authorized or appropriated funds and does not include the provisions described under subsection (e); or

(B) a Senate bill or joint resolution not reported by committee that includes authorized or appropriated funds and does not include the provisions described under subsection (e).

(2) RETURN TO THE CALENDAR.—If a point of order is sustained under this subsection, the bill or joint resolution shall be returned to the calendar until compliance with this subsection has been achieved.

(b) CONFERENCE REPORT.—

(1) POINT OF ORDER.—It shall not be in order to vote on the adoption of a report of a committee of conference that includes authorized or appropriated funds and does not include the provisions described under subsection (e).

(2) RETURN TO THE CALENDAR.—If a point of order is sustained under this subsection, the conference report shall be returned to the calendar until compliance with this subsection has been achieved.

(c) FLOOR AMENDMENT.—It shall not be in order to consider an amendment to a bill or joint resolution if the amendment includes authorized or appropriated funds and does not include the provisions described under subsection (e).

(d) AMENDMENT BETWEEN THE HOUSES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—It shall not be in order to consider an amendment between the Houses that includes authorized or appropriated funds and does not include the provisions described under subsection (e).

(2) RETURN TO THE CALENDAR.—If a point of order is sustained under this subsection, the amendment between the Houses shall be returned to the calendar until compliance with this subsection has been achieved.

(e) REQUIRED CONTRACTING PROVISIONS.—The required provisions referred to in subsections (a) through (d) are as follows:

(1) A prohibition on the award by an executive agency of a contract for the procurement of property or services that is not subject to full and open competition, except for a contract awarded—

(A) under section 303(c) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (41 U.S.C. 253(c)) or section 2304(c) of title 10, United States Code, as applicable;

(B) under section 32A of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 428a), provided that the head of the executive agency notifies the committees of Congress of jurisdiction not later than 15 days after the award of the contract, including an explanation of the justifications for such award; or

(C) in accordance with contracting and subcontracting goals for small business concerns owned and controlled by women and small business concerns owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals under sections 8(d) and 15(g) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(d) and 644(g)), provided that the head of the executive agency notifies the committees of Congress of jurisdiction not later than 15 days after the award of the contract, including an explanation of the justifications for such award.

(2) The following reporting requirements:

(A) The head of each executive agency for which funds are authorized or appropriated shall submit to the Office of Management and Budget and the chairmen and ranking members of the committees of Congress of jurisdiction a biannual report detailing the number of, amount of, and purpose for all contracts awarded during the current fiscal year, including all ongoing sole source, no bid, and limited bid contracts. The report shall be accompanied by a sworn affidavit of such head of an executive agency.

(B) The Inspector General of each executive agency for which funds are authorized or appropriated shall submit to the chairmen and ranking members of the committees of Congress of jurisdiction at the end of each fiscal year a report on the efforts of the executive agency to comply with competitive contracting requirements during such fiscal year.

(f) WAIVER.—Any Senator may move to waive any or all points of order under this section by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Members, duly chosen and sworn.

(g) EXECUTIVE AGENCY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''executive agency'' has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 403).

(h) FISCAL YEAR 2009.—The point of order under this section shall only apply to legislation providing or authorizing discretionary budget authority in fiscal year 2009.

SA 4261. 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 year 2008 and 2010 through 2013; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 37, line 4, strike ''spare parts,'' and insert ''spare parts; subject contracts performed outside the United States to the same ethics, control, and reporting requirements as those performed domestically,''.

SA 4262. Mr. INHOFE 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 II, add the following:

SEC. ___. EXCLUSION OF POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST TAX RELIEF FOR DOMESTIC PRODUCERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

In the case of any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that repeals the phasein of the deduction allowed under section 199 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or otherwise accelerates the amount of such deduction, the following provisions shall not apply:

(1) Section 201.

(2) Sections 201 and 202 of S. Con. Res. 21 (110th Congress).

(3) Sections 302, 302(a)(2)(B), and 317 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

SA 4263. Mrs. BOXER 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 24, line 16, increase the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $5,000,000.

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

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $6,000,000.

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

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

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $3,000,000.

SA 4264. Mr. COLEMAN 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 10, line 12, decrease the amount by $1,584,000.

On page 10, line 13, decrease the amount by $1,584,000.

On page 23, line 16, increase the amount by $1,584,000.

On page 23, line 17, increase the amount by $1,584,000.

SA 4265. Ms. SNOWE 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 68, line 4, insert '', and through the creation of SIMPLE cafeteria plans as provided in section 2 of S. 555 of the 110th Congress'' after ''consumer protections''.

SA 4266. Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. CHAMBLISS) 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 50, line 20, insert ''the permanent extension of expensing under section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 with an increase in the expensing limit to $200,000 and the phaseout threshold to $800,000 and other'' after ''including''.

SA 4267. Ms. SNOWE 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 50, line 21, insert ''and including the reauthorization of the new markets tax credit under section 45D of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for an additional 5 years and $17,000,000,000 in tax credit authority'' after ''refundable tax relief''.

SA 4268. Mr. THUNE 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 $25,000,000.

On page 13, line 14, increase the amount by $18,500,000.

On page 13, line 17, increase the amount by $25,000,000.

On page 13, line 18, increase the amount by $24,000,000.

On page 13, line 21, increase the amount by $25,000,000.

On page 13, line 22, increase the amount by $24,875,000.

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

On page 14, line 1, increase the amount by $24,875,000.

On page 14, line 4, increase the amount by $25,000,000.

On page 14, line 51, increase the amount by $24,875,000.

On page 24, line 16, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $13,800,000.

On page 24, line 20, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 24, line 24, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 25, line 3, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

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

On page 25, line 7, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 25, line 8, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $40,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $32,300,000.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by $40,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $39,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $40,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $38,875,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $40,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $39,875,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by $40,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $39,875,000.

SA 4269. Mr. THUNE 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 $29,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $26,100,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $2,900,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $29,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $26,100,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $2,900,000.

SA 4270. Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. MENENDEZ) 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 PROCESSING NATURALIZATION APPLICATIONS.

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 for the adjudication of name check and security clearances by October 1, 2008 by the Federal Bureau of Investigations for individuals who have submitted or submit applications for naturalization before May 1, 2008 or provide for the adjudication of applications, including the interviewing and swearing-in of applicants, by October 1, 2008 by the Department of Homeland Security/ U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services for individuals who apply or have applied for naturalization before May 1, 2008, 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 4271. Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) 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 $2,000,000.

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

On page 19, line 21, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

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

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

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

SA 4272. Mrs. BOXER 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:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. SENSE OF SENATE ON FUNDING OF FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

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

(1) According to the 2007 American Psychological Association Presidential Task Force on Military Deployment Services for Youth, Families and Service Members—

(A) Members of the United States Armed Forces and their families face challenges and stressful conditions that are unprecedented in recent history, including unrelenting operational demands and recurring deployments in combat zones;

(B) having a primary caretaker deployed to a war zone for an indeterminate period is among the more stressful events a child can experience; and

(C) hardships for military families may include marital problems, financial difficulties, destabilization of family relationships, potential infidelity, mental health issues, academic problems for their children, and substandard communications conditions during deployment.

(2) A study sponsored by the Army and published in the August 2007 Journal of the American Medical Association—

(A) reports that rates of child abuse and neglect increase when a parent is deployed with the Armed Forces, and calls for increased services for families of deployed members of the Armed Forces; and

(B) reports that, during the period in which a parent is deployed with the Armed Forces, rates of child maltreatment increase by 42 percent over the rate when parents are not so deployed, to a rate that exceeds child abuse rates among civilians.

(3) Increased numbers of members of the Armed Forces and their families are making use of nonmedical counseling services provided by the Family Advocacy Program of the Department of Defense.

(4) Programs such as the Family Advocacy Program directly affect military retention and are essential to the health and welfare of the members of the Armed Forces, their families, and the communities in which they live.

(b) SENSE OF SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that the funding levels in this resolution for fiscal year 2009 for national defense (050) assume that not less than $401,000,000 should be made available for the Family Advocacy Program of the Department of Defense.

SA 4273. Mr. REID (for Mr. OBAMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. REID 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 $10,000,000.

On page 24, line 17, increase the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 24, line 21, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

SA 4274. Mr. REID (for Mr. OBAMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. REID 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 $5,000,000.

On page 10, line 13, increase the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $5,000,000.

SA 4275. 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, add the following:

SEC. _____. RESERVE FUND FOR FUNDAMENTAL TAX REFORM.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution by the amounts provided by a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would provide for fundamental tax reform, provided that such legislation does not increase the tax burden on taxpayers for fiscal year 2011 and succeeding fiscal years. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the burden on taxpayers shall be measured by comparing the post-World War II average of the ratio of Federal revenues to gross domestic product, as determined by the historical tables of the Office of Management and Budget, to the estimated average of the ratio of Federal revenues to gross domestic product after such legislation takes effect, as determined by the Congressional Budget Office in consultation with the Joint Committee on Taxation.

SA 4276. 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:

On page 30 after line 23, insert the following:

SEC. ___. TO EXEMPT MODIFICATIONS TO THE INDIVIDUAL ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX (AMT) FROM PAY-AS-YOU-GO ENFORCEMENT.

Section 201 of S. Con. Res. 21 (110th Congress) is amended by—

striking the period at the end of section (a)(4)(B) and inserting:

or;

(C) any provision of legislation that affects the individual alternative minimum tax exemption amount for taxable years beginning after 2007; or

(D) any provision of legislation that affects the extension of alternative minimum tax relief for non-refundable personal credits for taxable years beginning after 2007.

SA 4277. Mr. HATCH 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, add the following:

SEC. ___. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR PROTECTING COVERAGE CHOICES, ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, AND LOWER COST-SHARING FOR MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES.

If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that—

(A) implements improvements to the Medicare or Medicaid programs under titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, respectively, or the State Children's Health Insurance program under title XXI of such Act; and

(B) does not lead to fewer coverage choices for Medicare beneficiaries, especially for those beneficiaries in rural areas; and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2009, or 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 4278. Mr. HATCH 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, add the following:

SEC. ___. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR PROTECTING COVERAGE CHOICES, ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, AND LOWER COST-SHARING FOR MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES.

If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that—

(A) implements improvements to the Medicare or Medicaid programs under titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, respectively, or the State Children's Health Insurance program under title XXI of such Act; and

(B) does not result in reduced benefits or increased cost-sharing for Medicare beneficiaries who choose a Medicare Advantage plan under part C of such title XVIII, especially for low-income beneficiaries who depend on their Medicare Advantage plan for protection from high out-of-pocket cost-sharing; and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2009, or 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 4279. Mr. HATCH 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, add the following:

SEC. ___. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR PROTECTING COVERAGE CHOICES, ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, AND LOWER COST-SHARING FOR MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES.

If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that—

(A) implements improvements to the Medicare or Medicaid programs under titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, respectively, or the State Children's Health Insurance program under title XXI of such Act; and

(B) does not result in reduced benefits for preventive care for Medicare beneficiaries who choose a Medicare Advantage plan under part C of such title XVIII; and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2009, or 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 4280. Mr. HATCH 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, add the following:

SEC. ___. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR PROTECTING COVERAGE CHOICES, ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, AND LOWER COST-SHARING FOR MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES.

If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that—

(A) implements improvements to the Medicare or Medicaid programs under titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, respectively, or the State Children's Health Insurance program under title XXI of such Act; and

(B) does not—

(i) lead to fewer coverage choices for Medicare beneficiaries, especially for those beneficiaries in rural areas;

(ii) result in reduced benefits or increased cost-sharing for Medicare beneficiaries who choose a Medicare Advantage plan under part C of such title XVIII, especially for low-income beneficiaries who depend on their Medicare Advantage plan for protection from high out-of-pocket cost-sharing;

(iii) result in reduced benefits for preventive care for Medicare beneficiaries who choose such a Medicare Advantage plan; or

(iv) result in reduced benefits for chronic care for Medicare beneficiaries who choose such a Medicare Advantage plan; and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2009, or 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 4281. Mr. HATCH 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, add the following:

SEC. ___. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR PROTECTING COVERAGE CHOICES, ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, AND LOWER COST-SHARING FOR MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES.

If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that—

(A) implements improvements to the Medicare or Medicaid programs under titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, respectively, or the State Children's Health Insurance program under title XXI of such Act; and

(B) does not result in reduced benefits for chronic care for Medicare beneficiaries who choose a Medicare Advantage plan under part C of such title XVIII; and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2009, or 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 4282. Mr. HATCH 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 52, line 23, insert ''(including the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement)'' after ''trade agreements''.

SA 4283. Mr. HATCH 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 the bill, insert the following:

SEC. 308. SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING THE DIVERSION OF FUNDS SET ASIDE FOR USPTO.

It is the sense of the Senate that none of the funds recommended by this resolution, or appropriated or otherwise made available under any other Act, to the United States Patent and Trademark Office shall be diverted, redirected, transferred, or used for any other purpose than for which such funds were intended.

SA 4284. 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 25, line 16, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 25, line 17, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 25, line 20, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 25, line 21, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $8,000,000.

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

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 26, line 7, increase the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 26, line 8, increase the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 27, line 16, decrease the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 27, line 17, decrease the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 27, line 20, decrease the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 27, line 21, decrease the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 27, line 25, decrease the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 28, line 3, decrease the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 28, line 4, decrease the amount by $8,000,000.

On page 28, line 7, decrease the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 28, line 8, decrease the amount by $4,000,000.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2008, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD–366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider S. 2593, a bill to establish a program at the Forest Service and the Department of the Interior to carry out collaborative ecological restoration treatments for priority forest landscapes on public land, and for other purposes.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send it to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510–6150, or by e-mail to rachel_pasternack@energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact Rachel Pasternack at (202) 224–0883 or Scott Miller at (202) 224–5488.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. CONRAD. 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 12, 2008, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled ''Oversight of HUD and Its Fiscal Year 2009 Budget.''

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. CONRAD. 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 Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 1:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing.

At this hearing, the subcommittee will examine whether the Gross Domestic Product, GDP, constitutes an accurate reflection of economic growth and social well-being, which factors are included in and excluded from the calculation of the GDP, and how national policy and decisionmaking are impacted by emphasis placed on the GDP.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 2:15 p.m., in room SD 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. At this hearing, the Committee will hear testimony regarding Hardrock Mining: Issues Relating to Abandoned Mine Lands and Uranium Mining.

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

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 10 a.m., in 215 Dirksen Senate Office Building, to hear testimony on ''Alternatives to the Current Federal Estate Tax System.''

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 10:15 a.m. to hold a business meeting.

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

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 10 a.m., to hear testimony on ''In Person Voter Fraud: Myth and Trigger for Disenfranchisement?''

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

READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SUBCOMMITTEE

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., in closed session to receive a briefing on the current readiness of the Armed Forces.