

S. 2560. A bill to create the income security conditions and family supports needed to ensure permanency for the Nation's unaccompanied youth, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID:

S. 2561. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a theme study to identify sites and resources to commemorate and interpret the Cold War; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 432. A resolution urging the international community to provide the United Nations-African Union Mission in Sudan with essential tactical and utility helicopters; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 414

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 414, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Federal Meat Inspection Act to require that food that contains product from a cloned animal be labeled accordingly, and for other purposes.

S. 661

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 661, a bill to establish kinship navigator programs, to establish guardianship assistance payments for children, and for other purposes.

S. 773

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 773, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Federal civilian and military retirees to pay health insurance premiums on a pretax basis and to allow a deduction for TRICARE supplemental premiums.

S. 1430

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1430, a bill to authorize State and local governments to direct divestiture from, and prevent investment in, companies with investments of \$20,000,000 or more in Iran's energy sector, and for other purposes.

S. 1780

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1780, a bill to require the FCC, in enforcing its regulations concerning the broadcast of indecent programming, to maintain a policy that a single word or image may be considered indecent.

S. 1794

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts

(Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1794, a bill to amend the Federal Direct Loan Program to provide that interest shall not accrue on Federal Direct Loans for active duty service members and their spouses.

S. 1800

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1800, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require emergency contraception to be available at all military health care treatment facilities.

S. 1848

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1848, a bill to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to address the impact of globalization, to reauthorize trade adjustment assistance, to extend trade adjustment assistance to service workers, communities, firms, and farmers, and for other purposes.

S. 1906

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1906, a bill to understand and comprehensively address the oral health problems associated with methamphetamine use.

S. 1907

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1907, a bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to understand and comprehensively address the inmate oral health problems associated with methamphetamine use, and for other purposes.

S. 1948

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1948, a bill to award grants to establish Advanced Multidisciplinary Computing Software Centers, which shall conduct outreach, technology transfer, development, and utilization programs in specific industries and geographic regions for the benefit of small- and medium-size manufacturers and businesses.

S. 2004

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2004, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish epilepsy centers of excellence in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 2063

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

S. 2119

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2119, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became disabled for life while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. 2400

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2400, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to continue to pay to a member of the Armed Forces who is retired or separated from the Armed Forces due to a combat-related injury certain bonuses that the member was entitled to before the retirement or separation and would continue to be entitled to if the member was not retired or separated, and for other purposes.

S. 2426

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2426, a bill to provide for congressional oversight of United States agreements with the Government of Iraq.

S. 2449

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2449, a bill to amend chapter 111 of title 28, United States Code, relating to protective orders, sealing of cases, disclosures of discovery information in civil actions, and for other purposes.

S. 2452

At the request of Mr. DODD, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE), the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) were added as cosponsors of S. 2452, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to provide protection to consumers with respect to certain high-cost loans, and for other purposes.

S. 2500

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2500, a bill to provide fair compensation to artists for use of their sound recordings.

S. 2544

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2544, a bill to provide for a program of temporary extended unemployment compensation.

S. 2552

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2552, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a stimulus to small business by increasing expensing for small businesses in 2008, extending the length of the

carryback period for net operating losses during 2007 and 2008, and extending the research and development credit.

S. 2553

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2553, a bill to modify certain fees applicable under the Small Business Act for 2008, to make an emergency appropriation for certain small business programs, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide increased expensing for 2008, to provide a 5-year carryback for certain net operating losses, and for other purposes.

S. 2555

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of S. 2555, a bill to permit California and other States to effectively control greenhouse gas emissions from motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 27

At the request of Mrs. DOLE, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 27, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to the line item veto.

S. RES. 429

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 429, a resolution honoring the brave men and women of the United States Coast Guard whose tireless work, dedication, and commitment to protecting the United States have led to the confiscation of over 350,000 pounds of cocaine at sea during 2007.

S. RES. 431

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 431, a resolution calling for a peaceful resolution to the current electoral crisis in Kenya.

AMENDMENT NO. 3893

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3893 proposed to S. 1200, a bill to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend the Act.

AMENDMENT NO. 3909

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3909 proposed to S. 2248, an original bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, to modernize and streamline the provisions of that Act, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3913

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr.

HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3913 intended to be proposed to S. 2248, an original bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, to modernize and streamline the provisions of that Act, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3914

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3914 intended to be proposed to S. 2248, an original bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, to modernize and streamline the provisions of that Act, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. REID:

S. 2561. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a theme study to identify sites and resources to commemorate and interpret the Cold War; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, 75 years ago yesterday, the U.S. conducted the first nuclear test on American soil—the detonation of a one-kiloton nuclear device in an area known as Frenchman Flat at the Nevada Test Site.

Conducted in extraordinary secrecy, this first nuclear testing program, known as Project Nutmeg, was representative of the efforts of countless Americans in the 50 year struggle we know as the Cold War.

Lasting half a century, the Cold War was the longest sustained conflict in U.S. history. The nuclear capabilities of our enemy posed literally an existential threat to our Nation. The threat of mass destruction left a permanent mark on American life.

The U.S. prevailed over this grave threat, through the technological achievement, patriotism, and sacrifice of the people of the great State of Nevada, and of others throughout the Nation.

It has been 18 years since the Malta Conference that marked the end of the Cold War, yet the contributions and sacrifices of generations of Americans have largely gone unrecognized.

The time has come to recognize and honor those Americans who toiled in relative obscurity to bring us victory during this most dangerous conflict in our Nation's history.

Today I introduce a bill that requires the Department of the Interior to conduct a study to identify sites and resources to commemorate heroes of the Cold War, and to interpret the Cold War for future generations.

My legislation directs the Secretary of the Interior to establish a "Cold War Advisory Committee" to oversee the inventory of Cold War sites and resources; for potential inclusion in the National Park System; as national historic landmarks; or other appropriate designations.

The Advisory Committee will work closely with State and local govern-

ments and local historical organizations. The Committee's starting point will be a Cold War study completed by the Secretary of Defense under the 1991 Defense Appropriations Act. Obvious Cold War sites of significance include: intercontinental ballistic missile launch sites; flight training centers; communications and command centers, such as Cheyenne Mountain, Colorado; nuclear weapons test sites, such as the Nevada Test Site; and sites of other strategic and tactical significance.

Perhaps no state in the union played a more significant role than Nevada in winning the Cold War.

The Nevada Test Site is a high-technology engineering marvel where the U.S. developed, tested, and perfected a nuclear deterrent that formed the cornerstone of America's security and leadership among nations. Of the 1,149 nuclear detonations conducted by U.S. as part of its nuclear testing program, 1,021 were performed at the Nevada Test Site.

The Naval Air Station at Fallon, NV, home of the Navy's preeminent tactical air warfare training center, was also the site of Cold War-era nuclear testing.

Hawthorne Army Depot, formerly known as the Hawthorne Army Ammunition Plant, likewise played an important role throughout the Cold War, serving as a staging area for conventional bombs, rockets, and ammunition as it had done since World War II.

Nellis Air Force Base outside Las Vegas, home of the first dedicated air warfare and later air/ground training facility, provided to Cold War aviators and continues to provide advanced air combat training for U.S. and Allied forces.

Generations of Nevadans bore and continue to bear extraordinary costs as a result of these critical contributions to the Cold War effort.

The Advisory Committee established under this legislation will develop an interpretive handbook telling the story of the Cold War and its heroes.

I'd like to take a moment to relate a story of one group of Cold War heroes.

On a snowy evening, November 17, 1955, a U.S. Air Force C-54 cargo plane crashed near the summit of Mount Charleston in rural Nevada.

Kept secret for years, we now know that the four aircrew and ten scientists aboard the doomed aircraft were bound for the secret Air Force Flight Test Center, where they were developing a top-secret spy plane that would become known as the U-2.

These men who gave their lives that day helped build the plane that many critics said could never be built. Owing to the efforts of men like these, the critics were proved wrong: the U-2 remains a vital component of our reconnaissance forces to this day.

As a result of the absolute secrecy surrounding their work, the families of the men who perished on Mount Charleston only recently learned the true circumstances of the crash that