

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 136. A bill for the relief of Ziad Mohamed Shaban Khweis, Heyam Ziad Khweis, and Juman Ziad Khweis; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN:

S. 137. A bill to create jobs and reduce the dependence of the United States on foreign and unsustainable energy sources by promoting the production of green energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 138. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal alternative minimum tax limitations on private activity bond interest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 139. A bill to require Federal agencies, and persons engaged in interstate commerce, in possession of data containing sensitive personally identifiable information, to disclose any breach of such information; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 140. A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain lands, consistent with the principles of self-initiation of mining claims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. GREGG, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 141. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to limit the misuse of Social Security numbers, to establish criminal penalties for such misuse, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 142. A bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to ensure that every uninsured child in America has health insurance coverage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 143. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a college opportunity tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 144. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove cell phones from listed property under section 280F; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 145. A bill for the relief of Vichai Sae Tung (also known as Chai Chaowasaree); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 146. A bill to amend the Federal antitrust laws to provide expanded coverage and to eliminate exemptions from such laws that are contrary to the public interest with respect to railroads; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 147. A bill to require the closure of the detention facility at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to limit the use of certain interrogation techniques, to prohibit interrogation by contractors, to require notification of the International Committee of the Red Cross of detainees, and for other purposes; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 148. A bill to restore the rule that agreements between manufacturers and retailers, distributors, or wholesalers to set the min-

imum price below which the manufacturer's product or service cannot be sold violates the Sherman Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 149. A bill to change the date for regularly scheduled Federal elections and establish polling place hours; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. LEAHY:

S. 150. A bill to provide Federal assistance to States for rural law enforcement and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. McCAIN (for himself and Mr. KYL):

S. 151. A bill to protect Indian arts and crafts through the improvement of applicable criminal proceedings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. McCAIN (for himself and Mr. KYL):

S. 152. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to jointly conduct a study of certain land adjacent to the Walnut Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. McCAIN (for himself and Mr. KYL):

S. 153. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Arizona National Scenic Trail; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. MARTINEZ):

S. 154. A bill to require the Congressional Budget Office and the Joint Committee on Taxation to use dynamic economic modeling in addition to static economic modeling in the preparation of budgetary estimates of proposed changes in Federal revenue law; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. BUNNING):

S. 155. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to suspend the taxation of unemployment compensation for 2 years; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. KERRY, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 156. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend enhanced small business expensing and to provide for a 5-year net operating loss carryback for losses incurred in 2008 or 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 157. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the temporary waiver of required minimum distribution rules for certain retirement plans and accounts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BROWN, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 158. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the availability of industrial development bonds to facilities manufacturing intangible property; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 159. A bill to establish the Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DODD, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 160. A bill to provide the District of Columbia a voting seat and the State of Utah an additional seat in the House of Representatives; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 161. A bill to authorize implementation of the San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. McCAIN, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. COBURN):

S. 162. A bill to provide greater accountability of taxpayers' dollars by curtailing congressional earmarking, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. VITTER:

S.J. Res. 1. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to limiting the number of terms that a Member of Congress may serve; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VITTER:

S.J. Res. 2. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress and the States to prohibit the act of desecration of the flag of the United States and to set criminal penalties for that act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID:

S.J. Res. 3. A joint resolution ensuring that the compensation and other emoluments attached to the office of Secretary of the Interior are those which were in effect on January 1, 2005; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

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

S. Res. 1. A resolution informing the President of the United States that a quorum of each House is assembled; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 2. A resolution informing the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 3. A resolution fixing the hour of daily meeting of the Senate; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. Res. 4. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Supreme Court of the United States erroneously decided Kennedy v. Louisiana, No. 07-343 (2008), and that the eighth amendment to the Constitution of the United States allows the imposition of the death penalty for the rape of a child; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. Res. 5. A resolution expressing the support for prayer at school board meetings; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. Res. 6. A resolution expressing solidarity with Israel in Israel's defense against terrorism in the Gaza Strip; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. INOUYE:

S. Res. 7. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding designation of the month of November as "National Military Family Month"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. McCANNELL, Mr. REED, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BAYH,

Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURR, Mr. BYRD, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DODD, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. McCAIN, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. VOVNOVICH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 8. A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Claiborne de Borda Pell, former United States Senator for the State of Rhode Island; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Con. Res. 1. A concurrent resolution to provide for the counting on January 8, 2009, of the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Con. Res. 2. A concurrent resolution extending the life of the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KENEDY, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 1. A bill to create jobs, restore economic growth, and strengthen America's middle class through measures that modernize the nation's infrastructure, enhance America's energy independence, expand educational opportunities, preserve and improve affordable health care, provide tax relief, and protect those in greatest need, and for other purposes; read the first time.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 1

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009".

SEC. 2. JOB CREATION, ECONOMIC GROWTH, AND A STRONG MIDDLE CLASS.

It is the sense of Congress that Congress should enact, and the President should sign, legislation to create jobs, restore economic growth, and strengthen America's middle class through measures that—

- (1) modernize the nation's infrastructure;
- (2) enhance America's energy independence;
- (3) expand educational opportunities;
- (4) preserve and improve affordable health care;
- (5) provide tax relief; and
- (6) protect those in greatest need.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KENEDY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. SCHUMER, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 2. A bill to improve the lives of middle class families and provide them with greater opportunity to achieve the American dream; read the first time.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 2

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Middle Class Opportunity Act of 2009".

SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that Congress should enact, and the President should sign, legislation to improve the lives of middle class families and provide them with greater opportunity to achieve the American dream by—

- (1) providing middle class tax relief while making the tax laws simpler and more reliable;
- (2) promoting investments in the new economy and enacting policies that create good, well-paying jobs in the United States;
- (3) enhancing the incentives and protections to help middle class families adequately meet their needs in retirement;
- (4) improving programs to help families acquire the education and training to be productive participants in the modern economy;
- (5) promoting families by improving the access and affordability of child and elder care;
- (6) restoring fairness, prosperity, and economic security for working families by ensuring workers can exercise their rights to freely choose to form a union without employer interference; and
- (7) removing barriers to fair pay for all workers.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DODD, Mr. KERRY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. McCASKILL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. SCHUMER):

NEDY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. SCHUMER, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 3. A bill to protect homeowners and consumers by reducing foreclosures, ensuring the availability of credit for homeowners, businesses, and consumers, and reforming the financial regulatory system, and for other purposes; read the first time.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 3

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Homeowner Protection and Wall Street Accountability Act of 2009".

SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that Congress should enact, and the President should sign, legislation—

- (1) to stabilize the housing market and assist homeowners by imposing a temporary moratorium on foreclosures, removing impediments to the modification of distressed mortgages, creating tax and other incentives to help prevent foreclosures and encourage refinancing into affordable and sustainable mortgage solutions, and pursuing other foreclosure-prevention policies through the Troubled Asset Relief Program or other programs;

- (2) to ensure the safety and soundness of the United States financial system for investors by reforming the financial-regulatory system, strengthening systemic-risk regulation, enhancing market transparency, and increasing consumer protections in financial regulation to prevent predatory lending practices;

- (3) to ensure credit-card accountability, responsibility and disclosure; and

- (4) to stabilize credit markets for small-business lenders to enhance their ability to make loans to small firms, and stimulate the small-business loan markets by temporarily streamlining and investing in the loan programs of the Small Business Administration.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DODD, Mr. KERRY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. McCASKILL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 4 A bill to guarantee affordable, quality health coverage for all Americans, and for other purposes; read the first time.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be placed in the RECORD, as follows: