

of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage Regulations; Port of New York" ((RIN1625-AA01)(Docket No. USCG-2008-0155)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1184. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Coast Guard Base San Juan, San Juan Harbor, Puerto Rico" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2008-0440)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1185. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Coast Guard Air Station San Francisco Airborne Use of Force Judgmental Training Flights" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2009-0063)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1186. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Baltimore Captain of the Port Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2008-0129)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1187. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Naval Underwater Detonation; Northwest Harbor, San Clemente Island, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2009-0046)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1188. A communication from the Project Counsel, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consolidation of Merchant Mariner Qualification Credentials" ((RIN1625-AB02)(Docket No. USCG-2006-24371)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1189. A communication from the Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule To Identify the Western Great Lakes Populations of Gray Wolves as a Distinct Population Segment and To Revise the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-AW41) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1190. A communication from the Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule to Identify the Northern Rocky Mountain Population of Gray Wolf as a Distinct Population Segment and to Revise the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-AW37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1191. A communication from the Regulation Coordinator of the Center for Medi-

caid and State Operations, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Program; Premiums and Cost Sharing" (RIN0938-A047) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 31, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1192. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Security-Related Assistance Provided by the United States to the Countries of Central Asia"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1193. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "United States Participation in the United Nations; A Report by the Secretary of State to the Congress for the Year 2007"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1194. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to U.S. support for Taiwan's participation as an observer at the 62nd World Health Assembly and in the work of the World Health Organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1195. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more with Mexico; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1196. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed export of defense services and defense articles in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Spain; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1197. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles or defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more with Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1198. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Turkey; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1199. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more with Italy and the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1200. A communication from the Acting Director, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044)

and "Annual Financial and Actuarial Information Reporting; Pension Protection Act of 2006" (RIN1212-AB09) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1201. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Federal Employee Anti-Discrimination and Retaliation Act; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1202. A communication from the Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to agency compliance with the Freedom of Information Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-16. A petition transmitted by a private citizen relative to the Long-Term Care Security Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN, from the Committee on Armed Services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 454. A bill to improve the organization and procedures of the Department of Defense for the acquisition of major weapon systems, and for other purposes.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with amendments:

S. 515. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with amendments and with a preamble:

S. Con. Res. 11. A concurrent resolution condemning all forms of anti-Semitism and reaffirming the support of Congress for the mandate of the Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. AKAKA for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

*W. Scott Gould, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BAYH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr.

CHAMBLISS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BURR, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 781. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 782. A bill to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 783. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic and North Atlantic planning areas; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 784. A bill to provide for the recognition of certain Native communities and the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 785. A bill to establish a grant program to encourage retooling of entities in the timber industry in Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. INOUE, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 786. A bill to authorize a grant program to provide for expanded access to mainstream financial institutions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BROWN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARPER, Mr. DODD, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. REED, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 787. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 788. A bill to prohibit unsolicited mobile text message spam; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 789. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the feasibility and suitability of constructing a storage reservoir, outlet works, and a delivery system for the Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation in the State of California to provide a water supply for domestic, municipal, industrial, and agricultural purposes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. KOHL, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 790. A bill to improve access to health care services in rural, frontier, and urban underserved areas in the United States by addressing the supply of health professionals and the distribution of health professionals to areas of need; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 791. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to carry out programs and

activities to improve highway safety; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 792. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the National Program of Cancer Registries by expanding data collection and allowing data sharing for public health objectives, while preserving the confidentiality of patients, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWN:

S. 793. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a scholarship program for students seeking a degree or certificate in the areas of visual impairment and orientation and mobility; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN:

S. 794. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify certain retirement pay and grade authorities for service performed after eligibility for retirement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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

S. 795. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to enhance the social security of the Nation by ensuring adequate public-private infrastructure and to resolve to prevent, detect, treat, intervene in, and prosecute elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 796. A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KYL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. JOHNSON, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 797. A bill to amend the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act, the Indian Tribal Justice Act, the Indian Tribal Justice Technical and Legal Assistance Act of 2000, and the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to improve the prosecution of, and response to, crimes in Indian country, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 798. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend existing elective tax treatment for Alaska Native Settlement Trusts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. REED, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 799. A bill to designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in the State of Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of people in the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 800. A bill to require the President to update and modify the website recovery.gov; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BURRIS, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 801. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to waive charges for humanitarian care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to family members accompanying veterans severely injured after September 11, 2001, as they receive medical care from the Department and to provide assistance to family caregivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON:

S. 802. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Indian tribes to transfer the credit for electricity produced from renewable resources; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 803. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to employers for the costs of implementing wellness programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 804. A bill to amend subpart 2 of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish incentives for States to extend the minimum length of the school year to 200 full days by 2014, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. MARTINEZ):

S. 805. A bill to provide for a comprehensive study by the National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences to assess the water management, needs, and conservation of the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River System; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 806. A bill to provide for the establishment, administration, and funding of Federal Executive Boards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 807. A bill to reduce fuel prices and improve national energy security by increasing domestic supply, reducing excessive speculation in the markets, and promoting long-term security through alternative energy sources, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. BOND, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. KERRY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 808. A bill to amend the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to reauthorize the Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 809. A bill to establish a program to provide tuition assistance to individuals who have lost their jobs as a result of the economic downturn; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE:

S. 810. A bill to establish 4 regional institutes as centers of excellence for research, planning, and related efforts to assess and prepare for the impacts of climate change on ocean and coastal areas and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. INOUE:

S. 811. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to promote mental and behavioral health services for underserved populations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 812. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 813. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to apply the protections of the Act to teaching and research assistants; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 814. A bill to provide for the conveyance of a parcel of land held by the Bureau of Prisons of the Department of Justice in Miami Dade County, Florida, to facilitate the construction of a new educational facility that includes a secure parking area for the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 815. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to exempt surviving spouses of United States citizens from the numerical limitations described in section 201 of such Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. TESTER, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. BENNETT):

S. 816. A bill to preserve the rights granted under second amendment to the Constitution in national parks and national wildlife refuge areas; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 817. A bill to establish a Salmon Stronghold Partnership program to conserve wild Pacific salmon and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. HATCH, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 818. A bill to reauthorize the Enhancing Education Through Technology Act of 2001, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 819. A bill to provide for enhanced treatment, support, services, and research for individuals with autism spectrum disorders and their families; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 820. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the automobile assistance allowance for veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 821. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain copayments from veterans who are catastrophically disabled, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 822. A bill to support the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters and emergency medical services personnel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. HATCH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. ENSIGN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 823. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a 5-year carryback

of operating losses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 824. A bill to establish a Jobs Creation Coordinator in the Department of Commerce to ensure that agencies in the Department use resources in a manner that maximizes the maintenance and creation of jobs in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 825. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restore, increase, and make permanent the exclusion from gross income for amounts received under qualified group legal services plans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 826. A bill to promote renewable energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 827. A bill to establish a program to reunite bondholders with matured unredeemed United States savings bonds; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 828. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to provide loan guarantees for projects to construct renewable fuel pipelines, and for other purposes; 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. VITTER:

S. Res. 98. A resolution designating each of April 15, 2009, and April 15, 2010, as "National TEA Party Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. Res. 99. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Government of Uzbekistan should immediately enforce its existing domestic legislation and fulfill its international commitments aimed at ending state-sponsored forced and child labor; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. Res. 100. A resolution expressing the support of the Senate for the establishment of an Urban Youth Sport Initiative in partnership with the United States Olympic Committee; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. Res. 101. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the tragic events at the Pinelake Health and Rehab Center in Carthage, North Carolina on Sunday, March 29, 2009; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. BENNETT):

S. Res. 102. A resolution providing for members on the part of the Senate of the Joint Committee on Printing and the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 103. A resolution to authorize testimony and document production in Richard Bowen v. Department of the Navy (MSPB); considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Mr. SPECTER):

S. Con. Res. 17. A concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for the unveiling of a bust of Sojourner Truth; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 27

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 27, a bill to establish the Daniel Webster Congressional Clerkship Program.

S. 266

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 266, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the coverage gap in prescription drug coverage under part D of such title based on savings to the Medicare program resulting from the negotiation of prescription drug prices.

S. 306

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 306, a bill to promote biogas production, and for other purposes.

S. 343

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 343, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage services of qualified respiratory therapists performed under the general supervision of a physician.

S. 384

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 384, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 to provide assistance to foreign countries to promote food security, to stimulate rural economies, and to improve emergency response to food crises, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and for other purposes.

S. 423

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 423, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize advance appropriations for certain medical care accounts of the Department of Veterans Affairs by providing two-fiscal year budget authority, and for other purposes.

S. 442

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 442, a bill to impose a limitation on lifetime aggregate limits imposed by health plans.

S. 454

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the names of the Senator from Nebraska