

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States and urges and requests the Attorney General of the United States and the Federal Bureau of Prisons to refrain from sending detainees released or transferred from the facilities at Guantanamo Bay Detention Facility (GTMO), Cuba to prisons in Louisiana; Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress, to the Attorney General of the United States, and to the director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

POM-65. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana urging Congress to establish an additional classification for airports; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 120

Whereas, the only airports or portions of airports eligible for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funding are public use airports that serve civil aviation; and

Whereas, airport classifications serve as a framework for describing the existing function of each airport in the system and as reference for evaluating how system airports have changed their functions or are projected to change their functions as a result of accommodating forecast demands; and

Whereas, federal law defines airports by categories of airport activities, including commercial service, primary, cargo service, reliever, and general aviation: Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to establish an additional classification for airports that have:

(1) Monthly operations in excess of two thousand five hundred.

(2) Airport buildings or other airport facilities in excess of five hundred thousand square feet and valued over fifty million dollars.

(3) Industrial and other business-related tenants.

(4) Activity that generates fuel sales in excess of one million five hundred thousand gallons of jet fuel or aviation gas per year.

(5) Economic impact in the local economy of twenty million dollars per year.

(6) A requirement for a functioning air traffic control tower: Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-66. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Louisiana urging Congress to establish an additional classification for airports; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 123

Whereas, the only airports or portions of airports eligible for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funding are public use airports that serve civil aviation; and

Whereas, airport classifications serve as a framework for describing the existing function of each airport in the system and as reference for evaluating how system airports have changed their functions or are projected to change their functions as a result of accommodating forecast demands; and

Whereas, federal law defines airports by categories of airport activities, including

commercial service, primary, cargo service, reliever, and general aviation: Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to establish an additional classification for airports that have:

(1) Monthly operations in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars;

(2) Airport buildings or other airport facilities in excess of five hundred thousand square feet and which are valued over fifty million dollars;

(3) Industrial and other business related tenants;

(4) Activity that generates fuel sales in excess of one million five hundred thousand gallons of jet fuel or aviation gas per year;

(5) An economic impact in the local economy of twenty million dollars per year; or

(6) A requirement for a functioning air traffic control tower: Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-67. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Louisiana urging Congress to enact the Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility, and Disclosure Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47

Whereas, citizens have been adversely affected by the economic recession; and

Whereas, almost eighty percent of American households have credit cards; and

Whereas, the average outstanding credit card balance for those households was over ten thousand dollars; and

Whereas, credit card delinquency rates have risen over sixty percent since 2005; and

Whereas, many of the largest credit card issuers have received billions of dollars in taxpayer funded federal bailout funds; and

Whereas, the Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility, and Disclosure Act is currently pending before Congress; and

Whereas, if enacted, the Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility, and Disclosure Act would enact many consumer protections, including:

1. Protection of consumers from arbitrary interest rate, fee and finance charges, and prohibiting universal default on existing balances.

2. Prohibiting interest charges on paid-off balances from the previous billing cycle.

3. Protecting students and other young consumers from aggressive credit card solicitations.

4. Ensuring that payments are fairly allocated to the account with the highest interest rate first.

5. Requiring greater disclosure of rates, terms, and billing details by credit card companies.

6. Establishing tougher penalties for credit card companies that violate the law: Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to enact the Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility, and Disclosure Act; Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S.J. Res. 17. A joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BAUCUS for the Committee on Finance.

*Kim N. Wallace, of Texas, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

*George Wheeler Madison, of Connecticut, to be General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury.

*Miriam E. Sapiro, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

*Carmen R. Nazario, of Puerto Rico, to be Assistant Secretary for Family Support, Department of Health and Human Services.

*William J. Wilkins, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

*Rosa Gumataotao Rios, of California, to be Treasurer of the United States.

*Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

*Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury.

*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. PRYOR (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. BURR):

S. 1505. A bill to provide immigration reform by securing America's borders, clarifying and enforcing existing laws, and enabling a practical employer verification program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID (for Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. CARDIN, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1506. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to establish national safety standards for transit agencies operating heavy rail on fixed guideway; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 1507. A bill to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to reform Postal Service retiree health benefits funding, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mrs. McCASKILL, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 1508. A bill to amend the Improper Payments Information Act of 2002 (31 U.S.C. 3321 note) in order to prevent the loss of billions in taxpayer dollars; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. VOINOVICH, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 1509. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the harbor maintenance tax certain commercial cargo loaded or unloaded at United States ports in the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway System; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 1510. A bill to transfer statutory entitlements to pay and hours of work authorized by the District of Columbia Code for current members of the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division from the District of Columbia Code to the United States Code; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 1511. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to improve awareness and access to colorectal cancer screening tests under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 1512. A bill to fund comprehensive programs to ensure an adequate supply of nurses; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

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

S. Res. 222. A resolution recognizing Lieutenant Commander Chris Cassidy, space shuttle mission specialist of the STS-127 space shuttle mission and the Expedition 19 International Space Station mission, for becoming the 500th person to fly into space; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 251

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) were added as cosponsors of S. 251, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to permit targeted interference with mobile radio services within prison facilities.

S. 330

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 330, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to deliver a meaningful benefit and lower prescription drug prices under the Medicare program.

S. 511

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 511, a bill to amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an exemption of pharmacies and pharmacists from certain Medicare accreditation requirements in the same manner as such exemption applies to certain professionals.

S. 512

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs.

BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 512, a bill to amend chapter 1 of title 9, United States Code with respect to arbitration.

S. 624

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 624, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis by 2015 by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 799

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S. 801

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. HAGAN) were added as cosponsors of 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.

S. 839

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 839, a bill to assist States in making voluntary high quality universal prekindergarten programs available to 3- to 5-year olds for at least 1 year preceding kindergarten.

S. 849

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 849, a bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a study on black carbon emissions.

S. 913

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 913, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand workplace health incentives by equalizing the tax consequences of employee athletic facility use.

S. 934

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 934, a bill to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to improve the nutrition and health of schoolchildren and protect the Federal investment in the na-

tional school lunch and breakfast programs by updating the national school nutrition standards for foods and beverages sold outside of school meals to conform to current nutrition science.

S. 968

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 968, a bill to award competitive grants to eligible partnerships to enable the partnerships to implement innovative strategies at the secondary school level to improve student achievement and prepare at-risk students for postsecondary education and the workforce.

S. 1065

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. HAGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1065, 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. 1163

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1163, a bill to add 1 member with aviation safety expertise to the Federal Aviation Administration Management Advisory Council.

S. 1204

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1204, a bill to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers, and for other purposes.

S. 1281

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1281, a bill to enhance after-school programs in rural areas of the United States by establishing a pilot program to help communities establish and improve rural after-school programs.

S. 1283

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1283, a bill to require persons that operate Internet websites that sell airline tickets to disclose to the purchaser of each ticket the air carrier that operates each segment of the flight, and for other purposes.

S. 1284

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1284, a bill to require the implementation of certain recommendations of the National Transportation Safety Board, to require the establishment of national