

to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 3102. A bill to amend the miscellaneous rural development provisions of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to certain entities that will use the funds to make loans to consumers to implement energy efficiency measures involving structural improvements and investments in cost-effective, commercial off-the-shelf technologies to reduce home energy use; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 3103. A bill to help small businesses create new jobs and drive our Nation's economic recovery; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. Con. Res. 53. A concurrent resolution recognizing and congratulating the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, as the new official site of the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service and the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. DODD, and Mr. LEMIEUX):

S. Con. Res. 54. A concurrent resolution recognizing the life of Orlando Zapata Tamayo, who died on February 23, 2010, in the custody of the Government of Cuba, and calling for a continued focus on the promotion of internationally recognized human rights, listed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, in Cuba; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 78

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 78, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a full exclusion for gain from certain small business stocks.

S. 557

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 557, a bill to encourage, enhance, and integrate Silver Alert plans throughout the United States, to authorize grants for the assistance of organizations to find missing adults, and for other purposes.

S. 582

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 582, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to protect consumers from usury, and for other purposes.

S. 634

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr.

MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 634, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve standards for physical education.

S. 653

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) were added as cosponsors of S. 653, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the writing of the Star-Spangled Banner, and for other purposes.

S. 749

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) were added as cosponsors of S. 749, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 938

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 938, a bill to require the President to call a White House Conference on Children and Youth in 2010.

S. 1067

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1067, a bill to support stabilization and lasting peace in northern Uganda and areas affected by the Lord's Resistance Army through development of a regional strategy to support multilateral efforts to successfully protect civilians and eliminate the threat posed by the Lord's Resistance Army and to authorize funds for humanitarian relief and reconstruction, reconciliation, and transitional justice, and for other purposes.

S. 1137

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1137, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a Volunteer Teacher Advisory Committee.

S. 1156

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1156, a bill to amend the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to reauthorize and improve the safe routes to school program.

S. 1204

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) 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 chiro-

practic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers, and for other purposes.

S. 1221

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1221, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more appropriate payment amounts for drugs and biologicals under part B of the Medicare Program by excluding customary prompt pay discounts extended to wholesalers from the manufacturer's average sales price.

S. 1256

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1256, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to establish financial incentives for States to expand the provision of long-term services and supports to Medicaid beneficiaries who do not reside in an institution, and for other purposes.

S. 1273

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) were added as cosponsors of S. 1273, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of permanent national surveillance systems for multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, and other neurological diseases and disorders.

S. 1558

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1558, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide travel and transportation allowances for members of the reserve components for long distance and certain other travel to inactive duty training.

S. 1584

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WEBB) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1584, a bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

S. 1604

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1604, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an income tax credit for eldercare expenses.

S. 1681

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1681, a bill to ensure that health insurance issuers and medical malpractice insurance issuers cannot engage in price fixing, bid rigging, or market allocations to the detriment of competition and consumers.

S. 1700

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from California

(Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1700, a bill to require certain issuers to disclose payments to foreign governments for the commercial development of oil, natural gas, and minerals, to express the sense of Congress that the President should disclose any payment relating to the commercial development of oil, natural gas, and minerals on Federal land, and for other purposes.

S. 1744

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RUSCH), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1744, a bill to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to prescribe regulations to ensure that all crewmembers on air carriers have proper qualifications and experience, and for other purposes.

S. 1859

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) were added as cosponsors of S. 1859, a bill to reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 2781

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) were added as cosponsors of S. 2781, a bill to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability, and to change references to a mentally retarded individual to references to an individual with an intellectual disability.

S. 2816

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. DEMINT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2816, a bill to repeal the sunset of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 with respect to the expansion of the adoption credit and adoption assistance programs and to allow the adoption credit to be claimed in the year expenses are incurred, regardless of when the adoption becomes final.

S. 2960

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2960, a bill to exempt aliens who are admitted as refugees or granted asylum and are employed overseas by the Federal Government from the 1-year physical presence requirement for adjustment of status to that of aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence, and for other purposes.

S. 2994

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Washington

(Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2994, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose an excise tax on excessive 2009 bonuses received from certain major recipients of Federal emergency economic assistance, to limit the deduction allowable for such bonuses, and for other purposes.

S. 3036

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) and the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3036, a bill to establish the Office of the National Alzheimer's Project.

S. 3056

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3056, a bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to repeal a section of that Act relating to exportation and importation of natural gas.

S. 3058

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 3058, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the special diabetes programs for Type I diabetes and Indians under that Act.

S. 3095

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNES), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING), the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) and the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3095, a bill to reduce the deficit by establishing discretionary caps for non-security spending.

S. RES. 412

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 412, a resolution designating September 2010 as "National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month".

AMENDMENT NO. 3447

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3447 intended to be proposed to H.R. 4213, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. BENNETT:

S. 3096. A bill to prevent an economic disaster by providing budget reform; to the Committee on the Budget.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, as I move around the State of Utah to talk to my constituents, I find, with all of the other specifics they are concerned about, the one thing just about everybody is concerned about is our long-term fiscal situation. They are worried about debt. They are worried about the deficit in this year that is adding to the debt. They say to me: What can we do about it? They listen to the pundits who talk on the air about this particular project or that particular project that sounds outrageous. Many times the projects are, in fact, legitimate, but they make good copy.

I say, if you add up all of these projects together—the good ones and the bad ones—and eliminated them all, you would reduce the Federal deficit by less than 1 percent. Let's talk about where the money lies. Let's talk about where the challenge is. So I present to my constituents a series of charts that I will present here that outline where the challenge is.

One of the things that becomes clear, as we go into this debate, is it is not just our financial situation that is in trouble. The pressures created by our debt are crossing over into the area of national security. We cannot maintain our military or our diplomatic initiatives with the kinds of pressures continually increasing.

So a little bit of history, which I share with my constituents and that I share here as the background for the bill I am introducing today.

This is a very simple pie chart that shows the components of Federal spending back in 1966. I ask my constituents: Why do I pick 1966 as the year to start? Some of them know the answer; some of them do not. But in 1966, mandatory spending constituted 26 percent of the budget, and interest on the national debt another 7 percent. You have to pay the interest on the bonds, so that is mandatory spending as well. So the government is committed for a third of the budget before the Congress ever gets around to appropriating any money.

In 1966, the biggest portion of mandatory spending was Social Security. The combination of Social Security and other mandatory programs, and the interest cost, was one-third of the budget. The other two-thirds was available to the Congress. Of that spending, defense spending was 44 percent of the total. Defense spending, obviously, dominated nondefense discretionary spending.

Where are we today? What has happened in the years since 1966 and today? Here are the components of Federal spending in fiscal 2008. I picked that year, before the tsunami hit us—the financial tsunami that caused the meltdown and all of the problems—as