

Atsugi Naval Air Facility, to establish an advisory board to examine exposures to environmental hazards during military service, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 111-189).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1214. A bill to conserve fish and aquatic communities in the United States through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation, to improve the quality of life for the people of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 111-190).

By Mr. INOUE, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Budget Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals" (Rept. No. 111-191).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2868. A bill to provide increased access to the General Services Administration's Schedules Program by the American Red Cross and State and local governments (Rept. No. 111-192).

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. AKAKA:

S. 3378. An original bill to authorize health care for individuals exposed to environmental hazards at Camp Lejeune and the Atsugi Naval Air Facility, to establish an advisory board to examine exposures to environmental hazards during military service, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3379. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to reduce carbon pollution and create clean energy jobs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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

S. 3380. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the treatment of securities of a controlled corporation exchanged for assets in certain reorganizations; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3381. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to modify certain definitions of the term "renewable biomass", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. Res. 532. A resolution recognizing Expo 2010 Shanghai China and the USA Pavilion at the Expo; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. KERRY, Mr. INHOPE, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BAYH, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. Res. 533. A resolution recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity

to raise awareness about the challenges of children in the foster care system and encouraging Congress to implement policy to improve the lives of children in the foster care system; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 266

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) 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. 311

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 311, a bill to prohibit the application of certain restrictive eligibility requirements to foreign nongovernmental organizations with respect to the provision of assistance under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

S. 504

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the names of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH), the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Florida (Mr. LEMIEUX), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 504, a bill to redesignate the Department of the Navy as the Department of the Navy and Marine Corps.

S. 632

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 632, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that the payment of the manufacturers' excise tax on recreational equipment be paid quarterly.

S. 634

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) 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. 831

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota

(Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 831, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to include service after September 11, 2001, as service qualifying for the determination of a reduced eligibility age for receipt of non-regular service retired pay.

S. 999

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 999, a bill to increase the number of well-trained mental health service professionals (including those based in schools) providing clinical mental health care to children and adolescents, and for other purposes.

S. 1055

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1055, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, United States Army, in recognition of their dedicated service during World War II.

S. 1239

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1239, a bill to amend section 340B of the Public Health Service Act to revise and expand the drug discount program under that section to improve the provision of discounts on drug purchases for certain safety net providers.

S. 2736

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2736, a bill to reduce the rape kit backlog and for other purposes.

S. 2749

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2749, a bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to improve access to nutritious meals for young children in child care.

S. 3201

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3201, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to extend TRICARE coverage to certain dependents under the age of 26.

S. 3206

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3206, a bill to establish an Education Jobs Fund.

S. 3213

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3213, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 3234

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3234, a bill to improve employment, training, and placement services furnished to veterans, especially those serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and for other purposes.

S. 3266

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3266, a bill to ensure the availability of loan guarantees for rural homeowners.

S. 3311

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 3311, a bill to improve and enhance the capabilities of the Department of Defense to prevent and respond to sexual assault in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 3327

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3327, a bill to add joining a foreign terrorist organization or engaging in or supporting hostilities against the United States or its allies to the list of acts for which United States nationals would lose their nationality.

S. 3329

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3329, a bill to provide triple credits for renewable energy on brownfields, and for other purposes.

S. 3350

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3350, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently modify the limitations on deduction of interest by financial institutions which hold tax-exempt bonds, and for other purposes.

S. 3372

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of S. 3372, a bill to modify the date on which the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and applicable States may require permits for discharges from certain vessels.

S. 3377

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3377, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the multifamily transitional housing loan program of the Department of Veterans Affairs by requiring the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to issue loans for the

construction of, rehabilitation of, or acquisition of land for multifamily transitional housing projects instead of guaranteeing loans for such purposes, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3746

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3746 proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3883

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3883 proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3887

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3887 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3919

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3919 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3920

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3920 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3931

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3931 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3944

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3944 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3949

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3949 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3986

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) and the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3986 proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4006

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4006 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4008

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr.

BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4008 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end “too big to fail”, to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4016

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4016 proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end “too big to fail”, to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4018

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4018 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end “too big to fail”, to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4036

At the request of Mr. BENNETT, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4036 intended to be proposed to S. 3217, an original bill to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end “too big to fail”, to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

S. 3381. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to modify certain definitions of the term “renewable biomass”, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation with my colleagues Senator CRAPO and Senator TESTER that will establish a single definition of renewable biomass for the purposes of the Renewable Fuel Standard, RFS, a future Renewable Electricity Standard, RES, and climate change legislation.

When I travel back to my hometown of Helena, MT, trees that line the roads

there are turning red. Mountain pine beetles are killing Montana’s trees at a terrible rate. Our legendary harsh winters once were enough to keep the beetles at bay, but no longer. Global warming has literally hit home for me. These thousands of acres of red, dead trees are virtually worthless under current law, serving as little more than kindling for wildfires.

This bill can help add value to this biomass while also creating a source of renewable domestic energy. It will establish a simple, broad, single definition for renewable biomass that is consistent with current law—the 2008 Farm Bill.

Some say this definition is too broad and fails to protect ecologically sensitive areas. In fact, there are many laws that dictate Federal forest management, and my amendment does nothing to change these laws. All projects that would create biomass due to my amendment would have to comply with the National Forest Management Act, the Endangered Species Act, the National Environmental Policy Act and others.

All projects on federal forests must go through NEPA where the land management agency must study potential environmental impacts and mitigate those impacts. The public has many opportunities to comment and shape these projects and nothing in my amendment changes these safeguards. Further, my amendment would do nothing to change designated Wilderness areas or Wilderness Study Areas or otherwise weaken the Wilderness Act.

Right now our national forests are growing 20 billion board feet per year. Eight billion board feet die every year and only two million board feet are removed. This has resulted in overstocked, unhealthy forests. We can either restore forest health, produce renewable energy and local high-wage jobs, or we can allow nature to impose its own will through wildfire and infestation.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation, and I look forward to working with them to enact this bill this year.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 532—RECOGNIZING EXPO 2010 SHANGHAI CHINA AND THE USA PAVILION AT THE EXPO

Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 532

Whereas Expo 2010 Shanghai China (Expo 2010) will take place May 1 through October 31, 2010 with the theme “Better City, Better Life”;

Whereas Expo 2010 will be the largest such event in 150 years of Expo history with an es-

timated 70,000,000 visitors expected to attend, many of them from within China;

Whereas approximately 192 countries and 52 international organizations will be represented at Expo 2010;

Whereas Expo 2010 is the first world exposition hosted by China, representing an opportunity for the world to celebrate China’s progress over the past 30 years and recognize the aspirations of the people of China to continue the process of “reform and opening up” launched by Chinese Premier Deng Xiaoping in 1979;

Whereas Shanghai, the host city of Expo 2010, is the dynamic commercial and financial capital of China, noted in China as a cradle of innovation and openness;

Whereas Expo 2010 represents an unprecedented opportunity for the United States to promote understanding of American society, culture, ideas, and values with millions of Chinese citizens visiting the USA Pavilion;

Whereas United States participation in Expo 2010 demonstrates the United States commitment to a forward-looking, positive relationship with China;

Whereas the USA Pavilion theme “Rising to the Challenge” will entertain and educate audiences on the American spirit of innovation and community-building and celebrate the American ideals of collaboration, freedom, diversity, openness, optimism, achievement, and opportunity;

Whereas Expo 2010 will emphasize sound environmental conservation practices, including a solar energy system that will produce 5 megawatts of power and large rooftop canopies to collect rainwater to be purified for drinking;

Whereas support for the USA Pavilion’s construction, staffing, operation, and thematic presentations was provided completely by private-sector and other partners consistent with United States law; and

Whereas many of the USA Pavilion’s sponsoring partners are also playing an active role in the beneficial development of China’s economy and society: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That—

(1) the Senate congratulates the people of China for hosting Expo 2010 and wishes them every success with this endeavor;

(2) it is the sense of the Senate that Expo 2010 constitutes an important step along the over 30-year path of reform and opening up in China, and serves as a significant reminder of what can be accomplished if China continues along this path;

(3) the Senate calls on the sponsors and operators of the USA Pavilion to make maximum use of this unique opportunity to showcase the very best attributes that the United States has to offer and to strengthen the cultural, scientific, educational, people-to-people, trade, and investment links between the people of the United States and the people of China; and

(4) the Senate acknowledges the more than 60 private-sector and other sponsor partners of the USA Pavilion for their invaluable contributions to the success of this important project and for providing a positive example of public-private partnerships.