

S. 3439. A bill to promote clean energy infrastructure for rural communities; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 3440. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the incentives for biodiesel and renewable diesel; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. GREGG):

S. 3441. A bill to provide high-quality public charter school options for students by enabling such public charter schools to expand and replicate; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 3442. A bill to promote the deployment of plug-in electric drive vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3443. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to eliminate the 30-day time limit for exploration plans; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 3444. A bill to require small business training for contracting officers; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 3445. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an above-the-line deduction for certain professional development and other expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers and for certain certification expenses of individuals becoming science, technology, engineering, or math teachers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico:

S. 3446. A bill to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to advance the health and wellbeing of schoolchildren in the United States through technical assistance, training, and support for healthy school foods, local wellness policies, and nutrition promotion and education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 3447. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve educational assistance for veterans who served in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico:

S. 3448. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to permit certain service institutions in all States to provide year-round services; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 3449. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into an interagency agreement with the Corporation for National and Community Service to support a Nutrition Corps; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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

S. 3450. A bill to require publicly traded coal companies to include certain safety records in their reports to the Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3451. A bill to authorize assistance to Israel for Iron Dome anti-missile defense system; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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

S. 3452. A bill to designate the Valles Caldera National Preserve as a unit of the National Park System, 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. CONRAD:

S. Res. 541. A resolution designating June 27, 2010, as "National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. BYRD, Mr. CORKER, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GREGG, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BROWNBACK, and Mr. BAYH):

S. Res. 542. A resolution designating June 20, 2010, as "American Eagle Day", and celebrating the recovery and restoration of the bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 543. A resolution expressing support for the designation of a National Prader-Willi Syndrome Awareness Month to raise awareness of and promote research on the disorder; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. JOHANNES, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. Res. 544. A resolution supporting increased market access for exports of United States beef and beef products; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 545. A resolution to authorize the production of records by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. SPECTER):

S. Con. Res. 64. A concurrent resolution honoring the 28th Infantry Division for serving and protecting the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 455

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 455, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition of 5 United States Army Five-Star Generals, George Marshall, Douglas MacArthur, Dwight Eisenhower, Henry "Hap" Arnold, and Omar Bradley, alumni of the United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to coincide with the celebration of the 132nd Anniversary of the founding of the United States Army Command and General Staff College.

S. 504

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. CORKER), the Sen-

ator from South Carolina (Mr. DEMINT), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) 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. 510

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 510, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the safety of the food supply.

S. 632

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) 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. 729

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 729, a bill to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to permit States to determine State residency for higher education purposes and to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien students who are long-term United States residents and who entered the United States as children, and for other purposes.

S. 941

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) were added as cosponsors of S. 941, a bill to reform the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, modernize firearm laws and regulations, protect the community from criminals, and for other purposes.

S. 984

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 984, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for arthritis research and public health, and for other purposes.

S. 1102

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1102, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 1153

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1153, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for

employees' spouses and dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible designated beneficiaries of employees.

S. 1334

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1334, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to extend and improve protections and services to individuals directly impacted by the terrorist attack in New York City on September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

S. 1360

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1360, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income amounts received on account of claims based on certain unlawful discrimination and to allow income averaging for backpay and frontpay awards received on account of such claims, and for other purposes.

S. 1445

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1445, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and reduce the occurrence of sudden unexpected infant death and to enhance public health activities related to stillbirth.

S. 1589

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1589, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the incentives for the production of biodiesel.

S. 1606

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1606, a bill to require foreign manufacturers of products imported into the United States to establish registered agents in the United States who are authorized to accept service of process against such manufacturers, and for other purposes.

S. 2862

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2862, a bill to amend the Small Business Act to improve the Office of International Trade, and for other purposes.

S. 2869

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2869, a bill to increase loan limits for small business concerns, to provide for low interest refinancing for small business concerns, and for other purposes.

S. 2989

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Washington

(Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2989, a bill to improve the Small Business Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3039

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) and the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3039, a bill to prevent drunk driving injuries and fatalities, and for other purposes.

S. 3065

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3065, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to enhance the readiness of the Armed Forces by replacing the current policy concerning homosexuality in the Armed Forces, referred to as "Don't Ask, Don't Tell", with a policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

S. 3199

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3199, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act regarding early detection, diagnosis, and treatment of hearing loss.

S. 3213

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) 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. 3266

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3266, a bill to ensure the availability of loan guarantees for rural homeowners.

S. 3269

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3269, a bill to provide driver safety grants to States with graduated driver licensing laws that meet certain minimum requirements.

S. 3326

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3326, a bill to provide grants to States for low-income housing projects in lieu of low-income housing credits, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a 5-year carryback of the low-income housing credit, and for other purposes.

S. 3339

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) were added as cosponsors of S. 3339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on

beer produced domestically by certain small producers.

S. 3361

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3361, a bill to require the Secretary of Defense to take illegal subsidization into account in evaluating proposals for contracts for major defense acquisition programs, and for other purposes.

S. 3389

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3389, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to exempt individuals who receive certain educational assistance for service in the Selected Reserve from limitations on the receipt of assistance under Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program for additional service in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 3398

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3398, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the work opportunity credit to certain recently discharged veterans.

S. 3412

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3412, a bill to provide emergency operating funds for public transportation.

S. 3431

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3431, a bill to improve the administration of the Minerals Management Service, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 29

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNES) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 29, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003.

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 29, *supra*.

S. RES. 519

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 519, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the primary safeguard for the well-being and protection of children is the family, and that the primary safeguards for the legal rights of children in the United States are the Constitutions of the

United States and the several States, and that, because the use of international treaties to govern policy in the United States on families and children is contrary to principles of self-government and federalism, and that, because the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child undermines traditional principles of law in the United States regarding parents and children, the President should not transmit the Convention to the Senate for its advice and consent.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4184

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4184 proposed to H.R. 4899, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4202

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4202 proposed to H.R. 4899, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4204

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4204 proposed to H.R. 4899, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4244

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4244 intended to be proposed to H.R. 4899, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4251

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4251 proposed to H.R. 4899, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4253

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4253 proposed to H.R. 4899, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4279

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4279 intended to be proposed to H.R. 4899, making supple-

mental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4282

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the names of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4282 intended to be proposed to H.R. 4899, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4294

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4294 intended to be proposed to H.R. 4899, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

## STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. DODD, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. CARPER, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 3434. A bill to provide for the establishment of a Home Star Retrofit Rebate Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I rise to introduce the Home Star Energy Retrofit Act of 2010 and to recognize the original cosponsors of the bill: Senator WARNER, Senator GRAHAM, Senator SNOWE, Senator SANDERS, Senator BROWN of Massachusetts, Senator MERKLEY, Senator STABENOW, Senator DODD, Senator GILLIBRAND, Senator CARPER, Senator PRYOR and Senator HARKIN. This innovative legislation will save consumers money, create American skilled labor jobs, and reduce home energy consumption.

If enacted, HOME STAR will build on existing policies and initiatives that have already proved effective. The program is supported by a broad coalition of over 600 groups including construction contractors, building products and mechanical manufacturers, retail sales businesses, environmental groups and labor advocates.

HOME STAR will provide point-of-sale instant savings to encourage homeowners to install residential energy upgrades such as air sealing, insulation, and high efficiency furnaces and water heaters.

HOME STAR incorporates a two-tiered approach that will offer flexibility to homeowners when choosing efficiency improvements to install. Under the Silver Star program, rebates averaging \$1,000 will be offered for the installation of each eligible energy-saving measure such as new insulation and high-efficiency heating and cooling

systems, up to maximum of \$3,000 per home. Under the Gold Star program, there will be performance-based grants of \$3,000 for a 20 percent reduction in home energy consumption and \$1,000 for each additional 5 percent of verified energy reduction as determined by a comparison of the energy consumption of the home before and after the retrofit.

In addition to the short-term rebate programs in Home Star, our revised bill includes longer term efficiency tax policies to maintain the momentum for energy efficient home retrofits. These performance-based energy improvement tax credits will encourage the continuation of Gold Star-type whole home retrofits.

HOME STAR will create American jobs in the construction industry, which has lost 1.6 million jobs since December 2007, with unemployment rates topping 25 percent in some regions. HOME STAR leverages private investment to create a strong market for home energy retrofits, and will put hundreds of thousands of unemployed Americans back to work as well as stimulating demand for building materials produced by American factories.

Finally, HOME STAR will reduce home energy consumption and dependence on foreign oil. HOME STAR helps Americans pay for cost-effective home improvements, create permanent reductions in household energy bills, and reduce our national carbon footprint. Residential energy efficiency improvements covered by the HOME STAR program reduce energy waste in most homes by 20 to 40 percent. When combined with low-interest financing, these retrofits can be cash-flow positive upon project completion. An initiative with a potential to retrofit over 3 million homes, HOME STAR will achieve significant reductions in building-related greenhouse gas emissions while generating long-term energy savings for American consumers and reducing energy usage by an amount equal to four 300 megawatt power plants.

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. 3434

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

## SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Home Star Energy Retrofit Act of 2010”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

## TITLE I—HOME STAR ENERGY RETROFITS

Sec. 101. Definitions.

Sec. 102. Home Star Retrofit Rebate Program.

Sec. 103. Contractors.

Sec. 104. Rebate aggregators.

Sec. 105. Quality assurance providers.

Sec. 106. Silver Star Home Energy Retrofit Program.