

and then they will get the 30 hours to sit around and look at each other and do nothing. That is what the rules of the Senate allow. So they have accomplished more of their wasting time to prevent the Obama administration and the rest of us from accomplishing something good for the country. We are going to continue to try. We have to do that in spite of the obstructionism of the Republicans.

#### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

#### SMALL BUSINESS LENDING FUND ACT OF 2010—MOTION TO PROCEED

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to H.R. 5297, which the clerk will report by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 5297, a bill to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Executive Calendar No. 962, the nomination of John Pistole to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security; that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; that any statements relating to the nomination be printed in the RECORD as if read; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate resume legislative session.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

John S. Pistole, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

#### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators allowed to speak for up to 10 minutes each.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:50 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 285. Concurrent resolution recognizing the important role that fathers play in the lives of their children and families and supporting the goals and ideals of designating 2010 as the Year of the Father.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5481. An act to give subpoena power to the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling.

H.R. 5551. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to make a certification when making purchases under the Small Business Lending Fund Program.

#### ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, June 25, 2010, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills and joint resolution:

S. 1660. An act to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to reduce the emissions of formaldehyde from composite wood products, and for other purposes.

S. 2865. An act to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 801 et seq.), and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 32. Joint resolution recognizing the 60th anniversary of the outbreak of the Korean War and reaffirming the United States-Korea alliance.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

H.R. 908. A bill to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program.

#### 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 Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 3539. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a grant program to assist in the restoration of San Francisco Bay; 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 and Mr. LUGAR):

S. Res. 566. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the situation in Kyrgyzstan; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 546

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 546, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation.

S. 3043

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3043, a bill to award planning grants and implementation grants to State educational agencies to enable the State educational agencies to complete comprehensive planning to carry out activities designed to integrate engineering education into K-12 instruction and curriculum and to provide evaluation grants to measure efficacy of K-12 engineering education.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 3539. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a grant program to assist in the restoration of San Francisco Bay; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I rise on behalf of myself and Senator BOXER to introduce legislation to further the restoration of the San Francisco Bay.

There are many areas in the country in with restoration is done, and I am pleased to introduce an authorization for restoration work in the San Francisco Bay with Senator BOXER, Chairwoman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, and to work with our colleague Representative SPEIER in the U.S. House of Representatives.

As an appropriator, and Chair of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, I have secured \$17 million in Federal funding for ecosystem restoration and water quality work in the San Francisco Bay in the last 3 years. I have also secured \$15 million since 2006 for the Fish and Wildlife Service to restore salt ponds to tidal wetlands in the Bay.

It is necessary to ensure that these funds continue to be appropriated and are spent on the most important projects for the ecosystem and public benefit.

To that end, this legislation will prioritize funding for projects that will protect and restore vital estuarine habitat for migratory waterfowl, shorebirds, and wildlife; improve and restore water quality and rearing habitat for fish; and ensure public benefits.

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. 3539

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

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “San Francisco Bay Restoration Act”.

#### SEC. 2. SAN FRANCISCO BAY RESTORATION GRANT PROGRAM.

Title I of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

##### “SEC. 123. SAN FRANCISCO BAY RESTORATION GRANT PROGRAM.

“(a) GRANT PROGRAM.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator may provide grants to State and local agencies, and public or nonprofit agencies, institutions, and organizations, for ecosystem restoration projects and habitat improvement for fish, waterfowl, and wildlife, in accordance with the priorities described in the comprehensive management plan for the San Francisco estuary developed under section 320.

“(2) MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF GRANTS; NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—

“(A) MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF GRANTS.—A grant provided to any individual or entity under this section for a fiscal year shall not exceed an amount equal to 50 percent of the total cost of eligible activities that are to be carried out using funds from the grant.

“(B) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The non-Federal share of the total cost of any eligible activities that are carried out using funds from a grant provided under this section shall be—

“(i) not less than 50 percent; and

“(ii) provided from non-Federal sources.

“(b) FUNDING.—

“(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Administrator to carry out this section such sums as are necessary for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2020.

“(2) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Of the amount made available to carry out this section for a fiscal year, the Administrator shall use not more than 5 percent to pay administrative expenses incurred in carrying out this section.”.

#### SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

##### SENATE RESOLUTION 566—EX-PRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING THE SITUATION IN KYRGYZSTAN

Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. LUGAR) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 566

Whereas on June 10, 2010, violence erupted between ethnic Kyrgyz and Uzbek communities in the southern city of Osh, Kyrgyzstan, and later spread to the city of Jalalabad, leaving at least several hundred dead and thousands injured;

Whereas the outbreak of violence forced as many as 400,000 people to flee their homes, including an estimated 100,000 women and children who face desperate conditions along the Kyrgyzstan-Uzbekistan border;

Whereas the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and other United Nations agencies estimate that the violence could directly or indirectly affect more than 1,000,000 people;

Whereas the displacement of ethnic Uzbeks and continuing instability in the southern part of Kyrgyzstan could destabilize the Provisional Government of Kyrgyzstan and undermine the legitimacy of the referendum on constitutional reform scheduled for June 27, 2010;

Whereas the Provisional Government of Kyrgyzstan, which came to power in April 2010 following large-scale opposition protests against the regime of former president Kurmanbek Bakiyev, has yet to fully extend its authority in the south and build the capacity necessary to address underlying political, social, and economic tensions;

Whereas Kyrgyz and Uzbeks in Osh have retreated into largely self-segregated neighborhoods, creating the potential for a permanent division into ethnic enclaves that could impede the delivery of humanitarian assistance and jeopardize the long-term stability of the country;

Whereas rioting and violence in southern Kyrgyzstan could spread to other areas in the Ferghana Valley, which spans the countries of Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan, and further exacerbate inter-ethnic competition for resources in the region;

Whereas protracted instability in Kyrgyzstan and the wider region could provide a safe haven for extremists and criminal networks and obstruct efforts to combat the drug trade;

Whereas stability in Kyrgyzstan and the broader Central Asia region, which borders Afghanistan, Iran, China, and Russia, is important to the national security interests of the United States;

Whereas Central Asia plays a vital role in the United States strategy for Afghanistan, including the transit center at Manas International Airport in Kyrgyzstan that forms an integral part of the northern supply route for North Atlantic Treaty Organization and United States-led coalition operations in Afghanistan;

Whereas promoting stability, respect for human rights, and economic and political reform in Central Asia are important priorities for the United States;

Whereas economic growth and democratic political development in Central Asia would provide a foundation for improved cooperation with the United States in confronting an array of global challenges, from non-proliferation and counter-narcotics to energy security and climate change; and

Whereas the potential for escalating violence in Kyrgyzstan concerns not only the United States and the people of Kyrgyzstan, but also the countries in the region and the international community: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate—

(1) to call upon all parties in Kyrgyzstan to refrain from violence and attend to the civilians who have been displaced or injured as a result of the violence, paying particular attention to the ethnic Uzbek population along the Kyrgyzstan-Uzbekistan border;

(2) that the Provisional Government of Kyrgyzstan should—

(A) take immediate steps to restore order, the rule of law, and the democratic process;

(B) address the underlying political, social, and economic tensions that divide Kyrgyz society for all citizens of Kyrgyzstan, regardless of ethnic background; and

(C) bring to justice those responsible for the recent violence;

(3) to support calls for a full and fair investigation into the causes of the violence in southern Kyrgyzstan;

(4) to welcome the commitment of more than \$32,000,000 of the United States Government to Kyrgyzstan for programs supporting humanitarian relief, reconstruction, and community stabilization;

(5) to commend the Government of Uzbekistan for cooperating with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the International Committee of the Red Cross, UNICEF, and other international non-governmental organizations in meeting the urgent needs of Uzbek refugees;

(6) that the Government of Uzbekistan should maintain an open border in order to ensure that the displaced and vulnerable populations seeking refuge in Uzbekistan may avail themselves of emergency humanitarian assistance and protection services;

(7) to call upon the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe to help restore calm and order through—

(A) strengthening the democratic institutions of Kyrgyzstan;

(B) encouraging respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(C) establishing a framework for dialogue among the ethnic communities; and

(D) promoting confidence building measures between the Provisional Government of Kyrgyzstan and ethnic communities; and

(8) to commend the efforts of relief organizations and all persons responding to the immediate humanitarian needs of those displaced by the recent outbreak of violence in Kyrgyzstan.

#### PERMANENT RADIO FREE ASIA AUTHORIZATION ACT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to Calendar No. 439, S. 3104.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the bill by title. The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3104) to permanently authorize Radio Free Asia, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following: