

to acknowledge is that both sides—Democrats and Republicans alike—agree on extending the additional unemployment insurance. What fiscal conservatives object to adding another \$30 billion plus to the deficit. The President said “It’s time to stop holding workers laid off in this recession hostage to Washington politics.” This same logic and rhetoric can be applied to our children and grandchildren who will be held hostage by, and have to pay for, the irresponsible government spending this Congress passes today.

It is time for solutions and not just rhetoric. I believe that we can achieve a balanced budget while promoting economic growth. We have the strongest economy in the world, for now. Let us not have our indebtedness create misery for us and generations to come.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 589—TO AUTHORIZE THE PRINTING OF A REVISED EDITION OF THE NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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

S. RES. 589

Resolved, That—

(1) the Committee on Rules and Administration shall prepare a revised edition of the document entitled *Nomination and Election of the President and Vice President of the United States* (Senate Document 106-16);

(2) the revised document described in paragraph (1) shall be printed as a Senate document; and

(3) there shall be printed, beyond the usual number, 600 additional copies of the revised document described in paragraph (1) for the use of the Committee on Rules and Administration.

SENATE RESOLUTION 590—DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 2010 AS “GOSPEL MUSIC HERITAGE MONTH” AND HONORING GOSPEL MUSIC FOR ITS VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Mrs. HUTCHISON) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 590

Whereas gospel music is a beloved art form of the United States;

Whereas gospel music is a cornerstone of the musical traditions of the United States and has spread beyond origins in African-American spirituals to achieve popular cultural and historical relevance;

Whereas gospel music has spread beyond geographic origins in the United States to touch audiences around the world; and

Whereas gospel music is a testament to the universal appeal of a historical art form of the United States that both inspires and entertains across racial, ethnic, religious, and geographical boundaries: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates September 2010 as “Gospel Music Heritage Month”; and

(2) recognizes the valuable contributions to the culture of the United States derived from the rich heritage of gospel music and gospel music artists.

SENATE RESOLUTION 591—RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENACTMENT OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

Mr. HARKIN submitted the following resolution; which was placed on the calendar:

S. RES. 591

Whereas July 26, 2010, marks the 20th anniversary of the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990;

Whereas the Americans with Disabilities Act has been one of the most significant and effective civil rights laws passed by Congress;

Whereas, prior to the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act, people with disabilities faced significantly lower employment rates, lower graduation rates, and higher rates of poverty than people without disabilities, and were too often denied the opportunity to fully participate in society due to intolerance and unfair stereotypes;

Whereas the dedicated efforts of disability rights advocates, including Justin Dart, Jr., and many others, served to awaken Congress and the American people to the discrimination and prejudice faced by individuals with disabilities;

Whereas Congress worked in a bipartisan manner to craft legislation making such discrimination illegal;

Whereas Congress passed the Americans with Disabilities Act and President George Herbert Walker Bush signed the Act into law on July 26, 1990;

Whereas the purpose of the Americans with Disabilities Act is to fulfill the Nation’s goals of equality of opportunity, independent living, economic self-sufficiency, and full participation for Americans with disabilities;

Whereas the Americans with Disabilities Act prohibits employers from discriminating against qualified individuals with disabilities, requires that State and local governmental entities accommodate qualified individuals with disabilities, requires places of public accommodation to take reasonable steps to make their goods and services accessible to individuals with disabilities, and requires that new trains and buses be accessible to individuals with disabilities;

Whereas the Americans with Disabilities Act has played an historic role in allowing over 50,000,000 Americans with disabilities to participate more fully in national life by removing barriers to employment, transportation, public services, telecommunications, and public accommodations;

Whereas the Americans with Disabilities Act has served as a model for disability rights in other countries;

Whereas all Americans, not just those with disabilities, benefit from the accommodations that have become commonplace since the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act, including curb cuts at street intersections, ramps for access to buildings, and other accommodations that provide access to public transportation, stadiums, telecommunications, voting machines, and websites;

Whereas Congress acted with overwhelming bipartisan support in 2008 to restore protections for people with disabilities

by passing the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, which overturned judicial decisions that had inappropriately narrowed the scope of the Americans with Disabilities Act;

Whereas, 20 years after the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act, children and adults with disabilities continue to experience barriers that interfere with their full participation in mainstream American life;

Whereas, 20 years after the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act, people with disabilities are twice as likely to live in poverty as their fellow citizens and continue to experience high rates of unemployment and underemployment;

Whereas, 20 years after the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act and 11 years after the Supreme Court’s decision in *Olmstead v. L.C.*, many people with disabilities still live in segregated institutional settings because of a lack of support services that would allow them to live in the community;

Whereas, 20 years after the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act, new telecommunication, electronic, and information technologies continue to be developed while not being accessible to all Americans;

Whereas, 20 years after the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act, many public and private covered entities are still not accessible to people with disabilities; and

Whereas the United States has a responsibility to welcome back and create opportunities for the tens of thousands of working-age veterans of the Armed Forces who have been wounded in action or have received service-connected injuries while serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes and honors the 20th anniversary of the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990;

(2) salutes all people whose efforts contributed to the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act;

(3) encourages all Americans to celebrate the advance of freedom and the opening of opportunity made possible by the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

(4) pledges to continue to work on a bipartisan basis to identify and address the remaining barriers that undermine the Nation’s goals of equality of opportunity, independent living, economic self-sufficiency, and full participation for Americans with disabilities.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4494. Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4402 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. REID)) to the bill H.R. 5297, 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; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4495. Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5297, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4496. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4402 proposed by Mr. REID

(for Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. REID)) to the bill H.R. 5297, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4497. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4425 proposed by Mr. REID to the bill H.R. 4213, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, and for other purposes.

SA 4498. Mr. REID (for Ms. KLOBUCHAR) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1376, to restore immunization and sibling age exemptions for children adopted by United States citizens under the Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption to allow their admission to the United States.

SA 4499. Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 5297, 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.

SA 4500. Mr. REID (for Mr. LEMIEUX (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. MURRAY)) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, supra.

SA 4501. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4500 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEMIEUX (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. MURRAY)) to the amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, supra.

SA 4502. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 5297, supra.

SA 4503. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4502 proposed by Mr. REID to the bill H.R. 5297, supra.

SA 4504. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 5297, supra.

SA 4505. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4504 proposed by Mr. REID to the bill H.R. 5297, supra.

SA 4506. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4505 proposed by Mr. REID to the amendment SA 4504 proposed by Mr. REID to the bill H.R. 5297, supra.

SA 4507. Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. BEGICH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5297, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4494. Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4402 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. REID)) to the bill H.R. 5297, 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; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 41, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

SEC. 1137. NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS TREE PLANTING PROGRAM.

Section 24(e) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 651(e)) is amended by striking "1995 through 1997" and inserting "2011 through 2014".

SA 4495. Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5297, 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; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page ___, between lines ___ and ___, insert the following:

SEC. ___. ANNUAL REPORT ON AWARDING OF FEDERAL CONTRACTS TO CONTRACTORS LISTED ON THE EXCLUDED PARTIES LIST SYSTEM.

(a) **REPORT REQUIRED.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for four years, the Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, in consultation with the Administrator of General Services, shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives a report describing during the previous year the extent to which suspended or debarred contractors on the Excluded Parties List System, including those suspended or debarred for failing to make full or timely payments to subcontractors—

- (1) continued to receive Federal contracts; or
 - (2) were granted waivers from Federal agencies from suspension or debarment for purposes of entering into Federal contracts.
- (b) **CONTENT.**—The report required under subsection (a) shall include, for each contract awarded to a suspended or debarred contractor—
- (1) the name of the Federal agency awarding the contract;
 - (2) the name of the contractor;
 - (3) the contract value;
 - (4) the date of award;
 - (5) the period of performance;
 - (6) whether a waiver was utilized to award the contract;
 - (7) the date of suspension or debarment;
 - (8) the reason for suspension or debarment; and
 - (9) the period of suspension or debarment.

SA 4496. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4402 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. REID)) to the bill H.R. 5297, 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; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Section 3107 of the bill is amended—

- (1) by striking "Inspector General of the Department of the Treasury" each place that term appears and inserting "Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program";
- (2) by striking "Inspector General" each place that term appears (other than as provided in paragraph (1)) and inserting "Special Inspector General"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

(f) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO THE EMERGENCY ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT OF 2008.**—Section 121(c)(1) of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (12 U.S.C. 5231(c)(1)) is amended—

- (1) by striking "section 101, and" and inserting "section 101,"; and
- (2) by inserting before "including" the following: "and activities under subtitle A of title III of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010,".

SA 4497. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4425 proposed by Mr. REID to the bill H.R. 4213, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, and for other purposes; as follows:

Beginning on page 7, line 14, strike through page 11, line 18.

SA 4498. Mr. REID (for Ms. KLOBUCHAR) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1376, to restore immunization and sibling age exemptions for children adopted by United States citizens under the Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption to allow their admission to the United States; as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as "International Adoption Simplification Act".

SEC. 2. EXEMPTION FROM VACCINATION DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENT.

Section 212(a)(1)(C)(ii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(1)(C)(ii)) is amended by striking "section 101(b)(1)(F)," and inserting "subparagraph (F) or (G) of section 101(b)(1);".

SEC. 3. SIBLING ADOPTIONS.

Section 101(b)(1)(G) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(b)(1)(G)) is amended to read as follows:

"(G)(i) a child, younger than 16 years of age at the time a petition is filed on the child's behalf to accord a classification as an immediate relative under section 201(b), who has been adopted in a foreign state that is a party to the Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, done at The Hague on May 29, 1993, or who is emigrating from such a foreign state to be adopted in the United States by a United States citizen and spouse jointly or by an unmarried United States citizen who is at least 25 years of age, *Provided, That—*

"(I) the Secretary of Homeland Security is satisfied that proper care will be furnished the child if admitted to the United States;

"(II) the child's natural parents (or parent, in the case of a child who has one sole or surviving parent because of the death or disappearance of, abandonment or desertion by, the other parent), or other persons or institutions that retain legal custody of the child, have freely given their written irrevocable consent to the termination of their legal relationship with the child, and to the child's emigration and adoption;

"(III) in the case of a child having two living natural parents, the natural parents are incapable of providing proper care for the child;

"(IV) the Secretary of Homeland Security is satisfied that the purpose of the adoption is to form a bona fide parent-child relationship, and the parent-child relationship of the child and the natural parents has been terminated (and in carrying out both obligations under this subclause the Secretary of