

Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Agency's use of the Category Rating system during the period ending July 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4754. A communication from the Chairman, Merit System Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2010-2015; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 3012. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2-116th Street in North Troy, New York, as the Martin G. "Marty" Mahar Post Office; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ)):

S. 3013. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 Westwood Avenue in Westwood, New Jersey, as the "Sergeant Christopher R. Hrbek Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3014. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow companies to utilize existing alternative minimum tax credits to create and maintain United States jobs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3015. A bill to amend chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, to establish a public transportation safety program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BENNETT (for himself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 3016. A bill to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Utah except by express authorization of Congress; 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. CASEY:

S. Res. 418. A resolution commemorating the life of the late Cynthia DeLores Tucker; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 182

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 182, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of

wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 213

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 213, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to ensure air passengers have access to necessary services while on a grounded air carrier, and for other purposes.

S. 471

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 471, a bill to amend the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002 to require the Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes.

S. 504

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 504, a bill to redesignate the Department of the Navy as the Department of the Navy and Marine Corps.

S. 571

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 571, a bill to strengthen the Nation's research efforts to identify the causes and cure of psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis, expand psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis data collection, and study access to and quality of care for people with psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis, and for other purposes.

S. 656

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 656, a bill to provide for the adjustment of status of certain nationals of Liberia to that of lawful permanent residents.

S. 678

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) were added as cosponsors of S. 678, a bill to reauthorize and improve the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, and for other purposes.

S. 796

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 796, a bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, and for other purposes.

S. 841

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 841, a bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to study and establish a motor vehicle safety standard that provides for a means of alerting blind and other pedestrians of motor vehicle operation.

S. 854

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Michigan

(Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 854, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to update a program to provide assistance for the planning, design, and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, control, or treat municipal combined sewer overflows and sanitary sewer overflows, and to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to update certain guidance used to develop and determine the financial capability of communities to implement clean water infrastructure programs.

S. 938

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) 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. 987

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 987, a bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to provide grants for the renovation, modernization or construction of law enforcement facilities.

S. 1055

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. UDALL) 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. 1066

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1066, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to ambulance services under the Medicare program.

S. 1067

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) were added as cosponsors 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. 1173

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

MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1173, a bill to establish a demonstration project to train unemployed workers for employment as health care professionals, and for other purposes.

S. 1203

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. HAGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1203, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the research credit through 2010 and to increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1237

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1237, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the grant program for homeless veterans with special needs to include male homeless veterans with minor dependents and to establish a grant program for reintegration of homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with children, and for other purposes.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to amend the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to protect breastfeeding by new mothers, to provide for a performance standard for breast pumps, and to provide tax incentives to encourage breastfeeding.

S. 1400

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1400, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the depreciation classification of motorsports entertainment complexes.

S. 1414

At the request of Mr. BOND, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1414, a bill to confer upon the United States Court of Federal Claims jurisdiction to hear, determine, and render final judgment on any legal or equitable claim against the United States to receive just compensation for the taking of certain lands in the State of Missouri, and for other purposes.

S. 1480

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1480, a bill to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to establish a program to improve the health and education of children through grants to expand school breakfast programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1547

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1547, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, and the United States Housing Act of 1937 to

enhance and expand the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Housing and Urban Development to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness, and for other purposes.

S. 1589

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, his name 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.

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1589, *supra*.

S. 1610

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1610, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the shipping investment withdrawal rules in section 955 and to provide an incentive to reinvest foreign shipping earnings in the United States.

S. 1611

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1611, a bill to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions.

S. 1646

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1646, a bill to keep Americans working by strengthening and expanding short-time compensation programs that provide employers with an alternative to layoffs.

S. 1681

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, her name 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. 1743

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1743, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the rehabilitation credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1756

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1756, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 to clarify the appropriate standard of proof.

S. 1791

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1791, a bill to establish the Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones Fire Suppression Demonstration Incentive Program within the Department of

Education to promote installation of fire sprinkler systems, or other fire suppression or prevention technologies, in qualified student housing and dormitories, and for other purposes.

S. 1799

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1799, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act, to establish fair and transparent practices related to the marketing and provision of overdraft coverage programs at depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 1859

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1859, a bill to reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 2052

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2052, a bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a research and development and demonstration program to reduce manufacturing and construction costs relating to nuclear reactors, and for other purposes.

S. 2128

At the request of Mr. LEMIEUX, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2128, a bill to provide for the establishment of the Office of Deputy Secretary for Health Care Fraud Prevention.

S. 2736

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

S. 2747

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2747, a bill to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to provide consistent and reliable authority for, and for the funding of, the land and water conservation fund to maximize the effectiveness of the fund for future generations, and for other purposes.

S. 2869

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNIS) were added as cosponsors 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. 2904

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2904, a bill to amend title

10, United States Code, to require emergency contraception to be available at all military health care treatment facilities.

S. 2924

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) were added as cosponsors of S. 2924, a bill to reauthorize the Boys & Girls Clubs of America, in the wake of its Centennial, and its programs and activities.

S. 2946

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2946, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Army to take action with respect to the Chicago waterway system to prevent the migration of bighead and silver carps into Lake Michigan, and for other purposes.

S. 2961

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2961, a bill to provide debt relief to Haiti, and for other purposes.

S. 2977

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2977, a bill to prohibit the use of Department of Justice funds for the prosecution in Article III courts of the United States of individuals involved in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

S. 2983

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2983, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption from employer social security taxes with respect to previously unemployed individuals, and to provide a credit for the retention of such individuals for at least 1 year.

S. 2989

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2989, a bill to improve the Small Business Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2990

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2990, a bill to establish an earmark moratorium for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

S. 2998

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2998, a bill to temporarily expand the V non-immigrant visa category to include Haitians whose petition for a family-sponsored immigrant visa was approved on or before January 12, 2010.

S. 3003

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN)

was added as a cosponsor of S. 3003, a bill to enhance Federal efforts focused on public awareness and education about the risks and dangers associated with Shaken Baby Syndrome.

S.J. RES. 27

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 27, a joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

S. RES. 400

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 400, a resolution urging the implementation of a comprehensive strategy to address instability in Yemen.

S. RES. 404

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 404, a resolution supporting full implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement and other efforts to promote peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 409

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH), the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. UDALL) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 409, a resolution calling on members of the Parliament in Uganda to reject the proposed "Anti-Homosexuality Bill", and for other purposes.

S. RES. 416

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 416, a resolution amending the Standing Rules of the Senate to provide for cloture to be invoked with less than a three-fifths majority after additional debate.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3015. A bill to amend chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, to establish a public transportation safety program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce, at the request of the administration and on behalf of my fellow original cosponsors Senator MENENDEZ, Senator MIKULSKI, and Senator CARDIN, the Public Transportation Safety Program Act of 2010. This legislation is designed to provide the Federal Transit Administration with the proper funding and rulemaking, examination, and enforcement authority to improve the safety of our nation's transit systems.

The issue of improving transit safety is a bipartisan issue, on which I think all Members can come to agreement. While this proposal from the administration is a good and appropriate first step in the Federal Government's efforts to improve transit safety, I look forward to working with my cosponsors and all of my colleagues on the Senate Banking Committee to make the final bill, which will emerge from the Senate Banking Committee, the strongest legislation possible for ensuring the safety of our nation's transit systems.

Transit is among the safest modes of transportation. Between 1998 and 2007, incidents on public transportation rail systems fell by half.

But in light of a recent series of high-profile accidents, Americans have grown concerned, and rightfully so. As our Nation's transit systems age, it is becoming increasingly clear that it is time for the Federal government to take a more direct role in their oversight.

Currently, the Federal Transit Administration has limited authority to implement and enforce national transit safety standards and we have gone without a proper national transit safety program for far too long.

Having been handed an unfunded mandate, States have been forced to scrape by with State Safety Oversight boards. Many of these boards lack authority, expertise, a dedicated budget or even full-time employees to monitor safety.

This is unacceptable. This ad hoc approach to transit safety oversight must be replaced with better oversight and clear national transit safety standards. Congress should provide the FTA with the authority and the resources to bring consistency and Federal leadership to our transit safety system. It is our duty to ensure that accidents like those that occurred in 2009 are prevented.

I commend the Administration, particularly Secretary LaHood and administrator Rogoff, for taking a leadership role on this very important issue and sending the proposed legislation to Congress. This proposal is a good start, and I look forward to discussing it with my colleagues.

The Obama administration has indicated its commitment to improving transit safety. It is time for us to do the same.

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. 3015

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 "Public Transportation Safety Program Act of 2010".

SEC. 2. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SAFETY PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5329 of title 49, United States Code, is amended to read as follows: