

EC-8353. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Interstate Transport of Pollution" (FRL No. 9230-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8354. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions From Industrial Solvent Cleaning Operations; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule" (FRL No. 9231-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8355. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Ohio; Ohio Portion of the Cincinnati-Hamilton Area; 8-hour Ozone Maintenance Plan" (FRL No. 9232-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8356. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Clean Air Interstate Rule" (FRL No. 9232-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8357. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Idaho" (FRL No. 9231-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8358. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Oklahoma; State Implementation Plan Revisions for Interstate Transport of Pollution, Prevention of Significant Deterioration, Nonattainment New Source Review, Source Registration and Emissions Reporting and Rules of Practice and Procedure" (FRL No. 9230-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8359. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disapproval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Addition of Incentive for Regulatory Flexibility for its Environmental Stewardship Program" (FRL No. 9231-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8360. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Idaho" (FRL No. 9231-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8361. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: 2011 Renewable Fuel Standards" (FRL No. 9234-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8362. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases" (FRL No. 9234-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8363. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2142. To require quarterly performance assessments of Government programs for purposes of assessing agency performance and improvement, and to establish agency performance improvement officers and the Performance Improvement Council.

By Mr. HARKIN, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1275. A bill to establish a National Foundation on Physical Fitness and Sports to carry out activities to support and supplement the mission of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

#### 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. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 4011. A bill to establish the Western Hemisphere Drug Policy Commission; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 4012. A bill to improve the employability of older Americans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. THUNE, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 4013. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to promulgate a rule to improve the daytime and nighttime visibility of agricultural equipment that may be oper-

ated on a public road; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 4014. A bill to provide for the replacement or rebuilding of a vessel for the non American Fisheries Act trawl catcher processors that comprise the Amendment 80 fleet; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. McCONNELL:

S. Res. 696. A resolution making minority party appointments for certain committees for the 111th Congress; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 2982

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2982, a bill to combat international violence against women and girls.

S. 3039

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3039, a bill to prevent drunk driving injuries and fatalities, and for other purposes.

S. 3797

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3797, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance for developing countries to promote quality basic education and to establish the achievement of quality universal basic education in all developing countries as an objective of United States foreign assistance policy, and for other purposes.

S. 3881

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3881, a bill to require the Secretary of State to identify individuals responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky or for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and to impose a visa ban and certain financial measures with respect to such individuals, until the Russian Federation has thoroughly investigated the death of Sergei Magnitsky and brought the Russian criminal justice system into compliance with international legal standards, and for other purposes.

S. 3919

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) and the Senator from Arizona (Mr. McCAIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3919, a bill to remove the

gray wolf from the list of threatened species or the list of endangered species published under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

S. 3978

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3978, a bill to ensure that home health agencies can assign the most appropriate skilled service to make the initial assessment visit for home health services for Medicare beneficiaries requiring rehabilitation therapy under a home health plan of care, based upon physician referral.

S. 3984

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3984, a bill to amend and extend the Museum and Library Services Act, and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 63

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 63, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Taiwan should be accorded observer status in the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

S. RES. 680

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 680, a resolution supporting international tiger conservation efforts and the upcoming Global Tiger Summit in St. Petersburg, Russia.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 4014. A bill to provide for the replacement or rebuilding of a vessel for the non American Fisheries Act trawl catcher processors that comprise the Amendment 80 fleet; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce a technical corrections bill relating to the replacement of vessels in the Washington and Alaska non-pollock groundfish trawl catcher-processor fleet.

In Washington State, our history is based on a rich maritime tradition that contributes as much as \$3 billion to the State's economy each year. There are 3,000 vessels in Washington's fishing fleet that employ 10,000 fishermen. Seafood processors employ another 3,800 Washingtonians. And fish wholesalers employ an additional 1,000 people.

Each year thousands of fishermen risk their lives on the high seas attempting to provide food for American families and for the world. All too often, however, the vessels fishermen use are old, antiquated, and sometimes even unsafe.

It's that very concern about fishing safety that moved this Congress to pass new, more stringent fishing vessel safety requirements through the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010, which was signed into law by President Obama on October 15 of this year.

Our work, though, is far from done.

The bill I am introducing today is designed to clarify an ambiguity in the law that some believe could prevent fishermen in the Washington and Alaska non-pollock groundfish trawl catcher-processor fleet from replacing old, unsafe vessels with new ones. The North Pacific Fishery Management Council and U.S. Department of Commerce are currently taking action to promulgate regulations that would allow vessel replacement in this fleet. The Federal Government believes it has that authority, and I agree with that conclusion. Because of ambiguity in the law, however, my colleagues and I are introducing this legislation today to erase any uncertainty or ambiguity on whether the Government has the legal authority and ability to embark on its current course of action. Congress certainly never meant to prevent the replacement of old, unsafe vessels with new or refurbished ones, and where additional clarity is sought on that question, Congress should provide it.

By adopting this bill, we can improve fishing safety by providing the legal and financial clarity necessary for these vessels to be rebuilt and replaced. In a rapidly-aging fleet that has already experienced the tragedy of ships and men lost at sea, it is the least that we owe them—the means to prevent such tragedies from happening again in the future.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the additional material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 4014

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

#### SECTION 1. REPLACEMENT VESSEL.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Commerce may promulgate regulations that allow for the replacement or rebuilding of a vessel qualified under subsections (a)(7) and (g)(1)(A) of section 219 of the Department of Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108-447; 188 Stat. 886-891).

#### SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 696—MAKING MINORITY PARTY APPOINTMENTS FOR CERTAIN COMMITTEES FOR THE 111TH CONGRESS

Mr. MCCONNELL submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 696

*Resolved*, That the following be the minority membership on the following committees

for the remainder of the 111th Congress, or until their successors are appointed:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES: Mr. McCain, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Graham, Mr. Thune, Mr. Wicker, Mr. LeMieux, Mr. Brown, Mr. Burr, Mr. Vitter, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Kirk.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS: Ms. Collins, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Brown, Mr. McCain, Mr. Voinovich, Mr. Ensign, Mr. Graham, and Mr. Kirk.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS: Mr. Burr, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Brown, Mr. Graham, and Mr. Kirk.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4735. Mr. ALEXANDER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3991, to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4736. Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3454, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4737. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3454, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4738. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3454, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4739. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3454, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4735. Mr. ALEXANDER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3991, to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

#### SEC. \_\_\_\_ . GUARANTEEING PUBLIC SAFETY AND LOCAL CONTROL OF TAXES AND SPENDING.

Notwithstanding any State law or regulation issued under section 4, no collective-bargaining obligation may be imposed on any political subdivision or any public safety agency, and no contractual provision may be imposed on any political subdivision or public safety agency, if either the principal administrative officer of such public safety agency, or the chief elected official of such political subdivision certifies that the obligation, or any provision would be contrary to the best interests of public safety; or would result in any increase in local taxes, or would result in any decrease in the level of public safety or other municipal services.

SA 4736. Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3454, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for