

EC-1314. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Glenn F. Spears, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1315. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 2010 of the National Guard Youth Challenge Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1316. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2010 annual report relative to the STARBASE Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1317. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65) (Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1318. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1319. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's fiscal year 2010 Annual Performance Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1320. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, Amtrak, transmitting, pursuant to law, Amtrak's fiscal year 2012 General and Legislative Annual Report; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1321. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; District of Columbia; Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone and the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9292-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 8, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 109. A resolution honoring and supporting women in North Africa and the Middle East whose bravery, compassion, and commitment to putting the wellbeing of others before their own have proven that courage can be contagious.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BINGAMAN from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

\*Peter Bruce Lyons, of New Mexico, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Nuclear Energy).

By Mr. KERRY for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

\*Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of five years.

\*Nils Maarten Parin Daulaire, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States on the Executive Board of the World Health Organization.

\*Joseph M. Torsella, of Pennsylvania, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador.

\*Joseph M. Torsella, of Pennsylvania, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform.

\*Kurt Walter Tong, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Senior Official for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Forum.

\*Suzan D. Johnson Cook, of New York, to be Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom.

Nominee: Susan D. Johnson Cook.  
Post: Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:  
1. Self: \$1,000, 10/22/06, Friends of Hillary; \$150, 8/09, Yvette Clark Campaign; \$150, 6/09, Ed Towns Campaign; \$2,500, 10/10, DNC Fund-raiser; \$20, 10/10, Barbecue for Tim Bishop for Congress.  
2. Spouse: Ronald Cook: \$0.  
3. Children and Spouses: Samuel Cook: \$0; Christopher Cook, \$0.  
4. Parents: Both Deceased: \$0.  
5. Grandparents: Both Deceased: \$0.  
6. Brothers and Spouses: Deceased: \$0.  
7. Sisters and Spouses: N/A.

\*Robert Patterson, of New York, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Turkmenistan.

Nominee: Robert Eugene Patterson, Jr.  
Post: Turkmenistan  
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Contributions, amount, date, and donee:  
1. Self: None.  
2. Spouse: None.  
3. Children and Spouses: Evelyn Gosnell: \$100, 2008, Obama, Jacqueline Gosnell: None. Danielle Gosnell: None.  
4. Parents: Robert Patterson: \$200, 2009, Pat Toomey. Joyce Patterson: None.  
5. Grandparents: deceased.  
6. Brothers and Spouses: James/Ellen Patterson: \$1,000, 2008, Richard E. Neal. John/Dalleen Patterson: None.  
Sisters and Spouses: Melody/Allen Ries: None.

\*Jonathan Scott Gratton, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Pleni-

potentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Kenya.

Nominee: Jonathan S. Gratton  
Post: COM, Embassy Nairobi  
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Contributor, amount, date, and donee:  
1. Self: \$4500, 2008, Obama for America.  
2. Spouse: Judith E. Gratton: \$631, 2008, Obama for America.  
3. Children and Spouses: Jonathan S. Gratton, Jr (son): None; Julie A. Gratton (son's spouse): None; Jennifer Lynn Yoder (daughter): None; Brian J. Yoder (daughter's spouse): \$30, 2008, Obama for America; David A. Gratton (son): None; Katherine M. Gratton (daughter): None.  
4. Parents: John A. Gratton (father): None; Dorothy E. Gratton (mother): None.  
5. Grandparents: Alexander G. Gratton: Deceased; Margret E. Gratton: Deceased; Alfred J. Harpel: Deceased; Fannie L. Harpel: Deceased.  
6. Brothers and Spouses: None.  
7. Sisters and Spouses: Barbara V. Harbert (sister): None; Scott J. Harbert (sister's spouse): None; Judith A. Kohl (sister): None; George J. Kohl (sister's spouse): None.

\*Michelle D. Gavin, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Botswana.

Nominee: Michelle Diane Gavin  
Post: Botswana.  
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Contributions, amount, date, and donee:  
1. Self: None;  
2. Spouse: David Bonifili: \$300, 3-26-2006, Bob Casey for PA Senate Primary;  
3. Children and Spouses: None;  
4. Parents: None;  
5. Grandparents: None;  
6. Brothers and Spouses: None;  
7. Sisters and Spouses: None.

\*David Bruce Shear, of New York, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Nominee: David Bruce Shear.  
Post: American Embassy, Hanoi.  
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Contributions, amount, date, donee:  
1. Self: none.  
2. Spouse: Barbara C. Shear: none.  
3. Children and Spouses: Jennifer J. Shear (unmarried): none.  
4. Parents: Bruce and Jean Shear (both deceased): none.  
5. Grandparents (long deceased—can't remember names): none.  
6. Brothers and Spouses: George and Diana Shear: \$500, 2008, Obama campaign; \$50, 2010, Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee; \$25, 2010, Gillibrand campaign.  
7. Sisters and Spouses: Laurel Mennen (divorced): none.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to

the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

**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. THUNE (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. BARRASSO):

S. 785. A bill to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota:

S. 786. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the appointment and grade of the Chief of the Army Medical Specialist Corps; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 787. A bill to provide grants to promote financial literacy; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 788. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to prohibit discrimination in the payment of wages on account of sex, race, or national origin, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 789. A bill to express the sense of the Senate that Medicare should not be dismantled and turned into a voucher program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 790. A bill to provide for mandatory training for Federal Government supervisors and the assessment of management competencies; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 791. A bill to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act to improve compensation for workers involved in uranium mining, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 792. A bill to authorize the waiver of certain debts relating to assistance provided to individuals and households since 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 793. A bill to allow the Corps of Engineers to use certain amounts to carry out harbor deepening projects; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 794. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to disallow any deduction for punitive damages, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 795. A bill to address HIV/AIDS in the African-American community, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

S. 796. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to extend qualified school construction bonds and qualified zone academy bonds, to treat qualified zone academy bonds as specified tax credit bonds, and to modify the private business contribution requirement for qualified zone academy bonds; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. COONS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. KERRY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. 797. 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; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 798. A bill to provide an amnesty period during which veterans and their family members can register certain firearms in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 799. A bill to establish a regulatory framework for the comprehensive protection of personal data for individuals under the aegis of the Federal Trade Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BENNET, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 800. A bill to amend the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to reauthorize and improve the safe routes to school program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 801. A bill to amend chapter 113 of title 40, United States Code, to require executive agency participation in real-time transparency of investment projects, to require performance and governance reviews of all cost overruns on Federal information technology investment projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

**SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS**

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

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. Res. 140. A resolution commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Bay of Pigs operation and commending the members of Brigada de Asalto 2506 (Assault Brigade 2506); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. Res. 141. A resolution recognizing the efforts and accomplishments of the GOD'S

CHILD Project and congratulating the GOD'S CHILD Project on its 20th anniversary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. Res. 142. A resolution congratulating the Lady Aggies of Texas A&M University on winning the 2011 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Basketball Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. THUNE):

S. Res. 143. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Safe Digging Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. INHOFE, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Con. Res. 12. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President should take certain actions with respect to the Government of Burma; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

**ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS**

S. 69

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 69, a bill to amend the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 to exclude secondary sales, repair services, and certain vehicles from the ban on lead in children's products, and for other purposes.

S. 136

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 136, a bill to establish requirements with respect to bisphenol A.

S. 146

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) were added as cosponsors of S. 146, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the work opportunity credit to certain recently discharged veterans.

S. 210

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 210, a bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to eliminate the mandatory printing of bills and resolutions for the use of offices of Members of Congress.

S. 211

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 211, a bill to provide for a biennial budget process and a biennial appropriations process and to enhance oversight and performance of the Federal Government.

S. 217

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 217, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure the right of employees to a secret ballot election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board.