ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 89

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 89, a bill to repeal the imposition of withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities.

S. 248

At the request of Mr. Wyden, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. Inouye) was added as a cosponsor of S. 248, a bill to allow an earlier start for State health care coverage innovation waivers under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

S. 296

At the request of Ms. Klobuchar, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. Feinstein) was added as a cosponsor of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 366

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 366, a bill to require disclosure to the Securities and Exchange Commission of certain sanctionable activities, and for other purposes.

S. 367

At the request of Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Wyden) was added as a cosponsor of S. 367, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the work opportunity credit to small businesses which hire individuals who are members of the Ready Reserve or National Guard, and for other purposes.

S. 382

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. HELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 382, a bill to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other permits.

S. 406

At the request of Mr. Wyden, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Merkley) was added as a cosponsor of S. 406, a bill to modify the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to require specific evidence for access to business records and other tangible things, and provide appropriate transition procedures, and for other purposes.

S. 437

At the request of Mr. Nelson of Florida, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. Kohl) was added as a cosponsor of S. 437, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require the Secretary of the Treasury to provide each individual taxpayer a receipt for an income tax payment which itemizes the portion of the payment

which is allocable to various Government spending categories.

S. 463

At the request of Mr. Begich, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Coons) was added as a cosponsor of S. 463, a bill to amend part B of title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to promote effective STEM teaching and learning.

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. Klobuchar) was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 506

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUYE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 506, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students.

S. 555

At the request of Mr. Franken, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUYE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 555, a bill to end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools, and for other purposes.

S. 613

At the request of Mr. Harkin, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) was added as a cosponsor of S. 613, a bill to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to permit a prevailing party in an action or proceeding brought to enforce the Act to be awarded expert witness fees and certain other expenses.

S. 641

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 649

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 649, a bill to expand the research and awareness activities of the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to scleroderma, and for other purposes.

S. 668

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. Graham) was added as a cosponsor of S. 668, a bill to remove unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats from seniors' personal health decisions

by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board.

S. 672

At the request of Mr. Rockefeller, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. Tester) was added as a cosponsor of S. 672, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 696

At the request of Mr. Tester, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Johnson) was added as a cosponsor of S. 696, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to treat Vet Centers as Department of Veterans Affairs facilities for purposes of payments or allowances for beneficiary travel to Department facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 737

At the request of Mr. Moran, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. Inhoff) was added as a cosponsor of S. 737, a bill to replace the Director of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection with a 5-person Commission, to bring the Bureau into the regular appropriations process, and for other purposes.

S. 750

At the request of Mr. Durbin, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. McCaskill) was added as a cosponsor of S. 750, a bill to reform the financing of Senate elections, and for other purposes.

S. 752

At the request of Mrs. Feinstein, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. Akaka) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. Snowe) were added as cosponsors of S. 752, a bill to establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner.

S. 812

At the request of Mr. Bennet, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Coons) was added as a cosponsor of S. 812, a bill to build capacity and provide support at the leadership level for successful school turnaround efforts

S. 866

At the request of Mr. Tester, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Johnson) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Coons) were added as cosponsors of S. 866, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or active service used to reduce the minimum age at which a member of a reserve component of the uniformed services may retire for non-regular service.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. Landrieu, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Boozman) was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including

disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 906

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. Sessions) was added as a cosponsor of S. 906, a bill to prohibit taxpayer funded abortions and to provide for conscience protections, and for other purposes.

S. 946

At the request of Mr. Baucus, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. Klobuchar) was added as a cosponsor of S. 946, a bill to establish an Office of Rural Education Policy in the Department of Education.

S. 968

At the request of Mr. Leahy, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. Blunt) was added as a cosponsor of S. 968, a bill to prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, and for other purposes.

S. 983

At the request of Mr. Nelson of Florida, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. Klobuchar) was added as a cosponsor of S. 983, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to disallow a deduction for amounts paid or incurred by a responsible party relating to a discharge of oil.

S. 1004

At the request of Mr. Harkin, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1004, a bill to support Promise Neighborhoods.

S. 1023

At the request of Mr. Durbin, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Lieberman) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1023, a bill to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes.

S. 1025

At the request of Mr. Leahy, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. Begich) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. Corker) were added as cosponsors of S. 1025, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to enhance the national defense through empowerment of the National Guard, enhancement of the functions of the National Guard Bureau, and improvement of Federal-State military coordination in domestic emergency response, and for other purposes.

S. 1034

At the request of Mr. Schumer, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Blumenthal) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Menendez) were added as cosponsors of S. 1034, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to equalize the exclusion from

gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and to provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment, and for other purposes.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. Cardin, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. Udall) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. Casey) were added as cosponsors of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 4

At the request of Mr. Schumer, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. Portman) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 4, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site on Chaplains Hill in Arlington National Cemetery should be provided for a memorial marker to honor the memory of the Jewish chaplains who died while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. CON. RES. 13

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. Tester) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 13, a concurrent resolution honoring the service and sacrifice of members of the United States Armed Forces who are serving in, or have served in, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn.

S. CON. RES. 17

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 17, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Taiwan should be accorded observer status in the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

S. RES. 132

At the request of Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. Feinstein) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Menendez) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 132, a resolution recognizing and honoring the zoos and aquariums of the United States.

S. RES. 172

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. Klobuchar) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 172, a resolution recognizing the importance of cancer research and the contributions made by scientists and clinicians across the United States who are dedicated to finding a cure for cancer, and designating May 2011, as "National Cancer Research Month".

S. RES. 175

At the request of Mrs. Shaheen, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma

(Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 175, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to ongoing violations of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Georgia and the importance of a peaceful and just resolution to the conflict within Georgia's internationally recognized borders.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1044. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Defense Commissary Agency to conduct a pilot program at military institutions to be closed or subject to an adverse realignment under a base closure law under which a commissary store may sell additional types of merchandise; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation with my colleague, Senator Collins, to authorize the Department of Defense to carry out a pilot program to sell certain products at commissaries that serve areas with military installations that have been adversely affected by a Base Closure and Realignment, BRAC, round. It is my fervent hope that this legislation will provide the Department of Defense with a means of reducing the operating costs of the commissary in Topsham, Maine sufficiently that they are able to keep a commissary in the area open for many years after the disestablishment of Naval Air Station, NAS, Brunswick.

As my colleagues know, the 2005 BRAC round ordered the closure of NAS Brunswick, Maine. That base, which once employed nearly 5,000 personnel in the region, will be officially disestablished on May 31, 2011. With the closure of NAS Brunswick, some in the Department of Defense have argued that the nearby commissary in Topsham, Maine, should also be closed.

However, even after the closure of NAS Brunswick, nearly 1,500 active duty, Guard, and Reserve service members remain within a 20 mile drive of the installation, including more than 300 active duty personnel who support the Navy's Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion and Repair just down the road in Bath, Maine. In addition, almost 9,000 military retirees and their dependents live in the immediate area, with many thousands more living within an hour's drive.

Thanks to a provision that I and my Maine colleagues succeeded in having included in the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011, the Topsham commissary will remain open until at least September 15, 2011, while the Department of Defense considers the findings of a Government Accountability Office review on commissary operations and policies.