Whereas William F. Hildenbrand served as Secretary of the Senate from 1981 until 1985;

Whereas William F. Hildenbrand served as an employee of the Senate of the United States and ably and faithfully upheld the high standards and traditions of the staff of the Senate from 1961 until 1985;

Whereas William F. Hildenbrand discharged the difficult duties and responsibilities of a wide variety of important and demanding positions in public life with honesty, integrity, loyalty and humility; and

Whereas William F. Hildenbrand's clear understanding and appreciation of the challenges facing the Nation has left his mark on those many areas of public life: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of William F. Hildenbrand.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of William F. Hildenbrand.

SENATE RESOLUTION 235-DESIG-NATING 2011 AS "THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY CAREGIVER"

Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. SNOWE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 235

Whereas there are more than 65,000,000 people in the United States serving as family caregivers for a family member or friend with a disability, chronic illness, or the frailties associated with old age;

Whereas family caregivers in the United States are family, friends, partners, and neighbors who choose to provide care out of feelings of love or a sense of duty;

Whereas family caregivers deal with significant medical and psycho-social issues that require complex care management and coordination with numerous medical providers:

Whereas family caregivers provide 80 percent of all long-term care services in the United States:

Whereas despite the physical, psychological, and financial hardship that caregivers endure, these individuals provide high-quality services that bring countless benefits to their care recipients and to society; and

Whereas the people of the United States should acknowledge the vital role of family caregivers, enable such caregivers to live healthier, less stressful lives, and enhance the ability of family caregivers to improve the health and well-being of those that they care for: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate-

(1) recognizes the year 2011 as the 11-year anniversary of the National Family Caregiver Support Program;

(2) applauds the Administration on Aging and national and community based organizations that support family caregivers;

(3) applauds the family, friends, partners, and neighbors who provide long-term care services; and

(4) designates 2011 as "The Year of the Family Caregiver".

SENATE RESOLUTION 236-DESIG-NATING SEPTEMBER 2011 AS NA-TIONAL SPINAL CORD INJURY AWARENESS MONTH

Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. NEL-SON of Florida) submitted the following resolution: which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 236

Whereas the estimated 1,275,000 people in the United States who live with a spinal cord injury cost society billions of dollars in health care costs and lost wages;

Whereas an estimated 100,000 of those individuals living with a spinal cord injury are veterans who suffered the spinal cord injury while serving as members of the United States Armed Forces;

Whereas accidents are the leading cause of spinal cord injuries;

Whereas motor vehicle crashes are the second leading cause of spinal cord and traumatic brain injuries;

Whereas 70 percent of all spinal cord injuries that occur in children under the age of 18 are a result of motor vehicle accidents;

Whereas every 48 seconds a person will become paralyzed, underscoring the urgent need to develop new neuroprotection, pharmacological, and regeneration treatments to reduce, prevent, and reverse paralysis; and

Whereas increased education and investment in research are key factors in improving outcomes for victims of spinal cord injuries, improving the quality of life of victims, and ultimately curing paralysis: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate-

(1) designates September 2011 as Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month:

(2) supports the goals and ideals of Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month;

(3) continues to support research to find better treatments, therapies, and a cure for paralysis;

(4) supports clinical trials for new therapies that offer promise and hope to those persons living with paralysis; and

(5) commends the dedication of local, regional, and national organizations, researchers, doctors, volunteers, and people across the United States that are working to improve the quality of life of persons living with paralysis and their families.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 579. Mr. REID (for Mr. COBURN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1103, to extend the term of the incumbent Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SA 580. Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for Mrs. Mur-RAY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1383, to temporarily preserve higher rates for tuition and fees for programs of education at non-public institutions of higher learning pursued by individuals enrolled in the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs before the enactment of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act of 2010, and for other purposes.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 579. Mr. REID (for Mr. COBURN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1103. to extend the term of the incumbent Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; as follows:

On page 3, line 17, strike all through page 4, line 12, and insert the following:

SEC. 2. CREATION OF NEW TERM OF SERVICE FOR THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVES-TIGATION.

Section 1101 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (28 U.S.C. 532 note) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(c)(1) Effective on the date of enactment of this subsection, a new term of service for the office of Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation shall be created, which shall begin on or after August 3, 2011, and continue until September 4, 2013. Notwithstanding the second sentence of subsection (b) of this section, the incumbent Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the date of enactment of this subsection shall be eligible to be appointed to the new term of service provided for by this subsection, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and only for that new term of service. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the President, by and with the advice of the Senate, from appointing an individual, other than the incumbent Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to a 10-year term of service subject to the provisions of subsection (b) after the date of enactment of this subsection.

"(2) The individual who is the incumbent in the office of the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the date of enactment of this subsection may not serve as Director after September 4, 2013.

"(3) With regard to the individual who is the incumbent in the office of the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the date of enactment of this subsection, the second sentence of subsection (b) shall not apply.".

SA 580. Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for Mrs. MURRAY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1383, to temporarily preserve higher rates for tuition and fees for programs of education at non-public institutions of higher learning pursued by individuals enrolled in the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs before the enactment of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act of 2010, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 3, strike lines 10 and 11 and insert the following:

Code, who, since January 4, 2011, has been enrolled in the same non-public institution of higher learning in a State in

Beginning on page 4, strike line 12 and all that follows through page 5, line 3, and insert the following:

(a) EXTENSION — Section 3729(b)(2)(B) of title 38, United States Code, is amended-

(1) in clause (i)-

(1) in clause (1)—
(A) by striking "January 1, 2004" and inserting "October 1, 2011"; and
(B) by striking "3.00" both places it approximation of the striking "2000" both places it approximation of the striking and the

pears and inserting "3.30";

(2) in clause (ii)-

(A) by striking "January 1, 2004, and before October 1, 2011" and inserting "October 1, 2011, and before October 1, 2012"; and

(B) by striking "3.30" both places it appears and inserting "2.80"; and

(3) in clause (iii), by striking "October 1, 2011" and inserting "October 1, 2012".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the later of October 1, 2011, or the date of the enactment of this Act.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions will meet in open session on Thursday, July 28, 2011, at 9:45 a.m. in SD-430 to conduct a hearing entitled "FDA User Fees: Advancing Public Health."

For further information regarding this meeting, please contact Elizabeth Jungman of the committee staff on (202) 224-7675.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. The hearing will be held on Thursday, July 28, 2011, at 10 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider the nominations of Charles McConnell, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy) and Rebecca Wodder, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send it to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, 304 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510–6150, or by email to allison___seyferth @energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact Sam Fowler at (202) 224–7571 or Allison Seyferth at (202) 224–4905.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 10 a.m. in room SD-G50 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 10 a.m. to conduct a committee hearing entitled "Enhanced Oversight After the Financial Crisis: The Wall Street Reform Act at One Year."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 10 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Legislative Issues for Transportation Reauthorization."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 10:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Improving For-Profit Higher Education: A Roundtable Discussion of Policy Solutions" on July 21, 2011, at 2 p.m. in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 21, 2011, at 2:15 p.m. in Room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Facing Floods and Fires—Emergency Preparedness for Natural Disasters in Native Communities."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 21, 2011, at 10 a.m. in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 2:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND MERCHANT MARINE INFRASTRUCTURE, SAFETY, AND SECURITY

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 2:30 p.m. in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled, "Making Our Roads Safer: Reauthorization of the Motor Carrier Safety Programs."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 21, 2011, at 2 p.m. in room SD-106 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "A Prescription for Savings: Reducing Drug Costs to Medicare."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Matthew Levy, a fellow on the Budget Committee, be granted the privileges of the floor during the duration of today and tomorrow's session of the Senate.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Greg Greubel of my staff be granted the privilege of the floor for the duration of today's proceedings.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Jara Settles, an intern on my staff, have floor privileges for the remainder of the day.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Veterans Affairs' Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1383, and the Senate proceed to its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the bill by title. The bill clerk read as follows: