

Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Program" (FRL No. 9635-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5383. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; State of California; Ozone; Nitrogen Dioxide; Technical Amendments" (FRL No. 9649-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5384. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OHIO: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9646-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5385. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut; Determination of Attainment of the One-hour Ozone Standard for the Greater Connecticut Area" (FRL No. 9648-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5386. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Priorities List, Final Rule No. 53" (FRL No. 9647-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5387. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oklahoma: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9647-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5388. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transportation Conformity Rule Restructuring Amendments" (FRL No. 9637-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5389. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clean Air Act Full Approval of Title V Operating Permits Program; Southern Ute Indian Tribe" (FRL No. 9646-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5390. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ongoing Review of Operating Experience" (LR-ISG-2011-05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 15, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5391. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production" (FRL No. 9636-2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5392. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of TSCA Section 4 Testing Requirements for Certain High Production Volume Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9335-6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5393. A communication from the Assistant Director for Policy, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iranian Transactions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 560) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5394. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Actuarial Report on the Financial Outlook for Medicaid"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5395. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, (2) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5396. A communication from the Chair of the Medicaid and CHIP Payment Access Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Medicaid and CHIP"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5397. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Establishment of Exchanges and Qualified Health Plans; Exchange Standards for Employers" (RIN0938-AQ67) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5398. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities; Swimming Pools" (RIN1190-AA68) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5399. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, a correspondence from the Minister of Foreign Affairs for the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5400. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting a legislative proposal entitled "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2206. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance under laws administered by the Secretary before such individuals receive such assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2207. A bill to require the Office of the Ombudsman of the Transportation Security Administration to appoint passenger advocates at Category X airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by TSA personnel and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2208. A bill to amend the Export Apple Act to permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification by the Department of Agriculture; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 2209. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2210. A bill to provide that Members of Congress shall not receive a cost of living adjustment in pay during 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2211. A bill to ban the exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 2212. A bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. LEE):

S. 2213. A bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. WEBB):

S. 2214. A bill to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia; 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 Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Ms. CANTWELL, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. Res. 400. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 543

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 543, a bill to restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property.

S. 557

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 557, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1350

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1350, a bill to expand the research, prevention, and awareness activities of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institutes of Health with respect to pulmonary fibrosis, and for other purposes.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. HELLER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr.

SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. COATS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

S. 2193

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2193, a bill to require the Food and Drug Administration to include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system, to expedite the implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices, and for other purposes.

S. 2204

At the request of Mr. REID, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2204, a bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

S. RES. 380

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

S. RES. 397

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 397, a resolution promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 399

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 399, a resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. REID, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 399, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 1833

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1833 proposed to H.R. 3606, a bill to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

AMENDMENT NO. 1836

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr.

DURBIN), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1836 proposed to H.R. 3606, a bill to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 2212. A bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I am very pleased to join with my colleague and good friend Senator HATCH to introduce this bill, which will resolve an unsettled issue that is making it difficult for museums and universities to obtain works of art for temporary exhibition from foreign countries.

Cultural exchange with foreign nations enables the sharing of ideas and history across the globe. When foreign works are shown at American museums, they expose our people to the richness of world history and culture.

In 2011, the San Diego Museum of Art hosted an exhibition of 64 works of famous Spanish artists, such as El Greco, Pablo Picasso, Francisco Goya, and Salvador Dali.

Also in 2011, the De Young Museum in San Francisco hosted an exhibition of more than 100 Picasso masterpieces from Paris, as well as more than 100 objects from the Olmec civilization in Mexico.

In 2009, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art hosted an exhibit containing artifacts from the Ancient Roman city of Pompeii, which was buried by a volcanic eruption and rediscovered in the 18th Century.

In 2007, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art hosted an exhibit with approximately 250 works of art created in more than seven different Latin American countries between 1492 and 1820.

Without these exhibitions coming to American museums, many Americans simply would not have the chance to see such important cultural and historical works in person. Exhibitions of such works also draw countless visitors each year, helping museums—which are vital to the preservation of our own culture and heritage—survive and thrive in difficult economic times.

For decades, American law has offered legal protection for these exhibitions. Passed in 1965, a law called the Immunity from Seizure Act, 22 U.S.C. 2459, is designed to provide the legal certainty necessary for American museums to organize such exhibitions with their foreign counterparts.