

Alzheimer's care, support and research. Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease and other dementias through the advancement of research, to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's.

In 2011, the cost of caring for those with Alzheimer's to American society will total an estimated \$183 billion, according to Alzheimer's Association's 2011 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures report. This is an \$11 billion increase over last year—a rate of increase more than four times inflation. According to the Alzheimer's Association report, Changing the Trajectory of Alzheimer's Disease: A National Imperative, unless a treatment is found that can prevent cure, or even slow the progression, by 2050, as many as 16 million Americans will have Alzheimer's disease and the cost of care will surpass \$1 trillion annually (in today's dollars). This will create an enormous strain on the health care system, families and the federal budget.

The SPRINT Act aims to speed American innovation in research and drug development for the leading causes of death that are the most costly chronic conditions for our Nation, which includes Alzheimer's disease. The legislation highlights the growing need for research and the importance of finding innovative ways to find a cure for Alzheimer's on behalf of the estimated 5.4 million Americans currently living with the disease.

The Alzheimer's Association appreciates your continued leadership on Alzheimer's disease. If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Conant, Director of Federal Affairs, at Rachel.Conant@alz.org or 202-638-7121.

Sincerely,

ROBERT EGGE,
Vice President, Public Policy.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 367—DESIGNATING JANUARY 2012 AS “NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH”

Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. KERRY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 367

Whereas mentoring is a longstanding tradition in which a dependable, caring adult provides guidance, support, and encouragement to facilitate the social, emotional, and cognitive development of a young person;

Whereas continued research on mentoring shows that formal, high-quality mentoring focused on developing the competence and character of the mentee promotes positive outcomes, such as improved academic achievement, self-esteem, social skills, and career development;

Whereas further research on mentoring provides strong evidence that mentoring successfully reduces substance use and abuse, academic failure, and delinquency;

Whereas mentoring, in addition to preparing young people for school, work, and life, is extremely rewarding for the people who serve as mentors;

Whereas more than 5,000 mentoring programs in communities of all sizes across the United States focus on building strong, effective relationships between mentors and mentees;

Whereas approximately 3,000,000 young people in the United States are in formal mentoring relationships due to the remark-

able vigor, creativity, and resourcefulness of the thousands of mentoring programs in communities throughout the United States;

Whereas, in spite of the progress made in increasing mentoring, the United States has a serious “mentoring gap”, with nearly 15,000,000 young people in need of mentors;

Whereas mentoring partnerships between the public and private sectors bring State and local leaders together to support mentoring programs by preventing duplication of efforts, offering training in industry best practices, and making the most of limited resources to benefit young people in the United States;

Whereas the designation of January 2012 as “National Mentoring Month” will help call attention to the critical role mentors play in helping young people realize their potential;

Whereas a month-long celebration of mentoring will encourage more individuals and organizations, including schools, businesses, nonprofit organizations, faith institutions, and foundations, to become engaged in mentoring across the United States; and

Whereas, most significantly, National Mentoring Month—

(1) will build awareness of mentoring; and
(2) will encourage more people to become mentors and help close the mentoring gap in the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates the month of January 2012 as “National Mentoring Month”;

(2) recognizes with gratitude the contributions of the millions of caring adults and students who are already volunteering as mentors; and

(3) encourages more adults and students to volunteer as mentors.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1511. Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for Mr. LIEBERMAN) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1470 proposed by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. FRANKEN) to the bill S. 2038, to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes.

SA 1512. Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1789, to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1511. Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for Mr. LIEBERMAN) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1470 proposed by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. FRANKEN) to the bill S. 2038, to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 7, strike lines 6 through 9, insert the following:

“(j) Not later than 30 days after any transaction required to be reported under section 102(a)(5)(B), the following persons, if required to file a report under any other subsection of this section subject to any waivers and exclusions, shall file a report of the transaction:

“(1) A Member of Congress.

“(2) An officer or employee of Congress required to file a report under this section.

“(3) The President.

“(4) The Vice President.

“(5) Each employee appointed to a position in the executive branch, the appointment to which requires advice and consent of the Senate, except for—

“(A) an individual appointed to a position—

“(i) as a Foreign Service Officer below the rank of ambassador; or

“(ii) in the uniformed services for which the pay grade prescribed by section 201 of title 37, United States Code is O-6 or below; or

“(B) a special government employee, as defined under section 202 of title 18, United States Code.

“(6) Any employee in a position in the executive branch who is a noncareer appointee in the Senior Executive Service (as defined under section 3132(a)(7) of title 5, United States Code) or a similar personnel system for senior employees in the executive branch, such as the Senior Foreign Service, except that the Director of the Office of Government Ethics may, by regulation, exclude from the application of this paragraph any individual, or group of individuals, who are in such positions, but only in cases in which the Director determines such exclusion would not affect adversely the integrity of the Government or the public's confidence in the integrity of the Government.

“(7) The Director of the Office of Government Ethics.

“(8) Any civilian employee, not described in paragraph (5), employed in the Executive Office of the President (other than a special government employee) who holds a commission of appointment from the President.”.

At the end insert the following:

SEC. . EXECUTIVE BRANCH REPORTING.

Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the President shall—

(1) ensure that financial disclosure forms filed by officers and employees referred to in section 101(j) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) are made available to the public as required by section 8(a) on appropriate official websites of agencies of the executive branch; and

(2) develop systems to enable electronic filing and public access, as required by section 8(b), to the financial disclosure forms of such individuals.

SA 1512. Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1789, to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 113, line 11, strike “service before” and all that follows through line 20 and insert the following: “service before October 1, 2014, voluntary separation incentive payments (including payments to employees who retire under section 8336(d)(2) or 8414(b)(1)(B) before October 1, 2014) that may not exceed the maximum amount provided under section 3523(b)(3)(B) for any employee.”.

On page 114, strike line 10 and all that follows through page 116, line 10.

On page 116, line 11, strike “103” and insert “102”.

On page 117, line 16, strike “104” and insert “103”.

On page 117, line 17, strike “104” and insert “103”.

On page 121, line 4, strike “105” and insert “104”.

On page 140, lines 19 and 20, strike “sections 101, 102, 103, 205, and 209 of this Act” and insert “sections 101, 102, 205, and 209 of this Act”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. LIEBERMAN. 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 February 2, 2012, at 10 a.m.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. LIEBERMAN. 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 February 2, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. LIEBERMAN. 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 “Innovations in College Affordability” on February 2, 2012, at 10:20 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

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

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on February 2, 2012, at 2:15 p.m. in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on February 2, 2012, 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. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on February 2, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

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

REPORTING AUTHORITY

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent notwithstanding adjournment of the

Senate, the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to report legislation tomorrow, February 3, from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—H.R. 658

Mr. REID. Madam President, I now ask unanimous consent that at 3 p.m., Monday, February 6, the Chair lay before the body the conference report to accompany H.R. 658, the FAA Reauthorization Reform Act; that there be up to 2½ hours of debate on the conference report, equally divided between the conferees or their designees, prior to the vote on adoption of the conference report; that the vote on adoption be subject to a 60-vote threshold.

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

NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent we now proceed to S. Res. 367.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 367) designating January 2012 as “National Mentoring Month.”

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 367) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

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MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 2064

Mr. REID. I now ask that we have the first reading of a bill which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill by title for the first time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2064) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate.

Mr. REID. I ask for a second reading in order to place this bill on the calendar, but I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2012

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate adjourn until 2 p.m., on Monday, February 6, 2012; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business until 3 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak up to 10 minutes each; and that following