

Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "FICA Taxes on Wages Paid to Residents of the Philippines for Services Performed in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands" (Rev. Proc. 2012-43) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8654. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8655. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to extending and amending the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Guatemala Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Archaeological Objects and Material from the Pre-Columbian Cultures of Guatemala; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8656. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the establishment of a Danger Pay Allowance for Tunisia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8657. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report prepared by the Department of State on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period August 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8658. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, a report relative to section 38(f) (1) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC F10-001); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8659. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-151); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8660. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-160); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8661. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-147); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8662. A joint communication from the Presiding Governor and the Director (International Broadcasting Bureau), Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8663. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Mound Plant in Miamisburg, OH, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8664. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the United Nuclear Corporation in Hematite,

Missouri, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8665. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at Nuclear Metals, Inc. (or subsequent owner) in West Concord, Massachusetts, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8666. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (X-10) in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8667. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Los Alamos National Laboratory in Los Alamos, New Mexico, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8668. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Weldon Spring Plant in Weldon Spring, Missouri, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8669. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Mound Plant in Miamisburg, Ohio, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8670. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8671. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration on Aging Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8672. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Targeted Grants to Increase the Well-Being of, and to Improve the Permanency Outcomes for, Children Affected by Methamphetamine or Other Substance Abuse: Second Annual Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany H.R. 2471, a bill to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet (Rept. No. 112-258).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 3523. A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to extend protection to fashion

design, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-259).

## 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. CARPER:

S. 3699. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to include information on the coverage of intensive behavioral therapy for obesity in the Medicare and You Handbook, to provide written notification to beneficiaries and providers regarding new Medicare coverage of intensive behavioral therapy for obesity, and to provide for the coordination of programs to prevent and treat obesity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL:

S. 3700. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect employees in the building and construction industry who are participants in multiemployer plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. 3701. A bill to designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances in Lyon County, Nevada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 3702. A bill to provide grants to establish veteran's treatment courts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3703. A bill to improve the ability of consumers to control their digital data usage, promote Internet use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KYL (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3704. A bill to clarify the authorized uses of funds in the Crime Victims Fund; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. Res. 626. A resolution designating April 24, 2014, as "Jan Karski Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID:

S. Res. 627. A resolution designating the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Appropriations; considered and agreed to.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 32

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) and the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 32, a bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Maryland

(Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1244

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to provide for preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 618

At the request of Mr. WICKER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 618, a resolution observing the 100th birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and commemorating her legacy.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3703. A bill to improve the ability of consumers to control their digital data usage, promote Internet use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation which promotes innovation and the expansion of the digital economy.

Every day, each and every American grows increasingly reliant on the Internet. We use it at work, at home at school, and on the go. The Internet has changed the way we communicate, the way we share and speak, and it is transforming our economy.

As the Internet becomes increasingly important to American consumers, businesses and innovators, Internet Service Providers, or ISPs, are increasingly imposing caps on the amount of data that consumers may move over the Net. Unfortunately, because of a lack of competition in Internet broadband services, the imposition of data caps raises a public policy concern. Data caps are appropriate if they are carefully constructed to manage network congestion but as the New York Times has editorialized, they "should not just be a way for Internet providers to extract monopoly rents." The imposition of data caps also risks undermining online competition and innovation as the market for digital goods and services expands.

In order to empower consumers to better manage their data usage and promote online innovation, I am spon-

soring the Data Cap Integrity Act. This bill will give consumers the tools they need to manage their own data usage, institute industry-wide data measurement accuracy standards for ISPs, and impose disciplines to ensure that ISPs' data caps are truly designed to manage network congestion.

The Data Measurement Integrity Act requires the Federal Communications Commission, or FCC, to establish standards for how ISPs measure data and make certain that data caps are designed to manage network congestion rather than monetize data in ways that undermine online innovation. Furthermore, this bill ensures that consumers are provided tools to manage their data consumption and that ISPs cannot for purposes of measuring data, discriminate against any content.

Internet use is central to our lives and to our economy. Future innovation will undoubtedly require consumers to use more and more data, data caps should not impede this innovation and the jobs it creates.

I look forward to working with my colleagues and stakeholders to discuss this legislation, consider improvements to it, and work toward its adoption into law.

By Mr. KYL (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3704. A bill to clarify the authorized uses of funds in the Crime Victims Fund; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I rise to introduce a bill to clarify the use of funds in the Crime Victims Fund. I am pleased to be joined by Senator FEINSTEIN.

Federal law makes money from the Crime Victims Fund available to the Department of Justice "for the United States Attorneys Offices and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to improve services for the benefit of crime victims in the Federal criminal justice system, and for a Victim Notification System." 42 U.S.C. 10601(d)(3).

This money is used, among other purposes, to fund positions for Victim Advocates in the United States Attorneys' Offices throughout the Federal jurisdiction. These Advocates are crucial to the system.

We must make sure that DOJ uses Victim Advocates for services "for the benefit of crime victims."

Advocates should not be providing travel services. Advocates should not be forced to wear two hats: fact witness management and victim services. Often these hats conflict with one another at the expense of victims.

According to a letter from John W. Gillis, the former Director of the Office for Victims of Crime, U.S. Department of Justice, "Travel services required of Advocates have included approving fact witness travel, making or authorizing travel arrangements or cancellations, changes to travel and lodging arrangements for witnesses, reconciling errors, handling with hotels, and seek-

ing approval for government employee witnesses. This runs counter to the law and is a matter of serious concern."

Here is a sample of U.S. Attorney websites, which shows that Advocates make witness travel arrangements.

#### FLORIDA

Services provided to crime victims and witnesses by the U.S. Attorney's Office include: notice of case events; information concerning their rights; information about case proceedings and the criminal justice system in general; referrals to medical and/or social service providers; assistance with travel arrangements; and logistical information concerning transportation, parking, child care, etc.

<http://www.justice.gov/usao/fln/programs/VW/vwa.html>

#### VERMONT

The U.S. Attorney's Office Victim and Witness Assistance Program can assist eligible Federal crime victims and witnesses with the following:

Provide logistical information and assistance to witnesses with respect to directions, transportation, parking, witness fees and travel reimbursement; assistance with airline and lodging arrangements is provided for out-of-state witnesses;

[http://www.justice.gov/usao/vt/victim\\_witness/vw\\_uaservices.html](http://www.justice.gov/usao/vt/victim_witness/vw_uaservices.html)

#### NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

If you have been subpoenaed to testify on behalf of the federal government and you are not a federal government employee, you are entitled to certain fees for coming to court. These are the types of fees that federal fact witnesses are entitled to:

\$40.00 for each day that you have to be available to testify, plus travel days.

Reimbursement for round-trip mileage to and from the courthouse at the current government mileage reimbursement rate if you drove your privately-owned vehicle.

Reimbursement for parking, taxis, and excess baggage fees. All of these claims must be supported by receipts. If you choose to mail your receipts to the USAO at a later time, please advise the USAO staff member assisting you that you will do so in order for us to include these amounts in your reimbursement.

A daily meal allowance based on the current government meal allowance rate if you are away from home overnight. You are not required to provide receipts for your meals.

To receive these entitlements, you are required to complete a form referred to as an OBD-3, Fact Witness Voucher. Our Victim-Witness staff will assist you in completing the form. If you have not completed your form prior to being dismissed from court, please contact them at the numbers set out earlier.

If you are away from home overnight, we will make travel, air, train, or bus fare, and lodging arrangements for you. If you need to make changes in these arrangements, we must make the changes for you.

<http://www.justice.gov/usao/aln/federalwitness.html>

#### WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

As a victim or witness, you may have questions about transportation, the location of the courthouse, food service, or where to go and what time to appear. You should feel free to ask either the case agent, the Assistant United States Attorney, or the Victim-Witness Coordinator about them. If you are an out-of-town witness, you must contact the Victim-Witness Coordinator to make all your travel arrangements, the federal government is very specific on when it can and cannot reimburse witnesses.

<http://www.justice.gov/usao/tnw/brochures/vw handbook.html>