

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-597. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Carter F. Ham, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-598. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of a completion date of May 2013 for a report relative to the Department of Defense purchases from foreign entities for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-599. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a meeting of the Economic Adjustment Committee (EAC) relative to considering additional funding sources for the Defense Access Roads (DAR) program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-600. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Ireland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-601. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67) (Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-602. A communication from the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adjustments to Civil Monetary Penalty Amounts" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-603. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the progress made in licensing and constructing the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-604. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Availability and Price of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Produced in Countries Other Than Iran"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-605. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Subsistence Harvest in Alaska; Harvest Regulations for Migratory Birds in Alaska During the 2013 Season" (RIN1018-AY70) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-606. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Special Rule for the Polar Bear Under Section 4(d) of the Endangered Species Act" (RIN1018-AY40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-607. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for *Astragalus lentiginosus* var. *Coachella* (Coachella Valley milk-vetch)" (RIN1018-AX40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-608. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for Tidewater Goby" (RIN1018-AX39) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-609. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Postponement of Deadline for Making an Election to Deduct for the Preceding Taxable Year Losses Attributable to Hurricane Sandy" (Announcement 2013-21) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 1, 2013; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-610. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reduced 2009 Estimated Income Tax Payments for Individuals with Small Business Income" ((RIN1545-B167) (TD 9613)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 1, 2013; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-611. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2013 Trade Policy Agenda and 2012 Annual Report of the President of the United States on the Trade Agreements Program; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-612. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 13-018, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible effects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-613. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 13-003, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible effects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-614. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, De-

partment of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on United States Participation in the United Nations in 2011; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-615. A communication from the Acting Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2012 DHS Data Mining Report to Congress"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-616. A communication from the President, Chief Scout Executive, and the National Commissioner, Boy Scouts of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, the organization's 2012 annual report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-617. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

### EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN for the Select Committee on Intelligence.

\*John Owen Brennan, of Virginia, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

### 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. FLAKE:

S. 446. A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to reduce Federal crop insurance subsidies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

S. 447. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. NELSON, Mr. LEE, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 448. A bill to allow seniors to file their Federal income tax on a new Form 1040SR; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 449. A bill for the relief of Anton Dodaj, Gjyljana Dodaj, Franc Dodaj, and Kristjan Dodaj; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SHELBY (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. JOHANNIS):

S. 450. A bill to require enhanced economic analysis and justification of regulations proposed by certain Federal banking, housing, securities, and commodity regulators, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SHELBY:

S. 451. A bill to make technical corrections to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and

Consumer Protection Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. WARREN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 452. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the incidence of diabetes among Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself, Mr. HELLER, and Mr. DONNELLY):

S. 453. A bill to require that certain Federal job training and career education programs give priority to programs that lead to an industry-recognized and nationally portable credential; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 454. A bill to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate use of assistance under sections 8 and 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 with public and private resources, to enable eligible families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. MORAN):

S. 455. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to transport individuals to and from facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 456. A bill to direct the Secretary of Education to establish an award program recognizing excellence exhibited by public school system employees providing services to students in prekindergarten through higher education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. BOXER, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 457. A bill to posthumously award a Congressional gold medal to Alice Paul, in recognition of her role in the women's suffrage movement and in advancing equal rights for women; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. JOHANNIS):

S. 458. A bill to improve and extend certain nutrition programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. THUNE):

S. 459. A bill to modify the boundary of the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. WARREN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. REED, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BROWN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. COWAN):

S. 460. A bill to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. REID, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHATZ, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 461. A bill to exempt children of certain Filipino World War II veterans from the numerical limitations on immigrant visas and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CARDIN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 462. A bill to enhance the strategic partnership between the United States and Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. KING, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 463. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to modify the definition of the term "biobased product"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 464. A bill to declare English as the official language of the United States, to establish a uniform English language rule for naturalization, and to avoid misconstructions of the English language texts of the laws of the United States, pursuant to Congress' powers to provide for the general welfare of the United States and to establish a uniform rule of naturalization under article I, section 8, of the Constitution; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. 465. A bill to permit flexibility in the application of the budget sequester by Federal agencies; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 466. A bill to assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 467. A bill to allow consumers to unlock mobile wireless devices for interoperability purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. STABENOW, and Ms. WARREN):

S.J. Res. 10. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women; 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. BURR (for himself and Mr. SANDERS):

S. Res. 67. A resolution designating April 5, 2013, as "Gold Star Wives Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. REID, and Mr. COWAN):

S. Con. Res. 5. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that John Arthur "Jack" Johnson should receive a posthumous pardon for the racially motivated conviction in 1913 that diminished the athletic, cultural, and historic significance of Jack Johnson and unduly tarnished his reputation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to stimulate the economy, produce domestic energy, and create jobs at no cost to the taxpayers, and without borrowing money from foreign governments for which our children and grandchildren will be responsible, and for other purposes.

S. 20

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 20, a bill to repeal the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

S. 33

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 33, a bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes.

S. 34

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 34, a bill to increase public safety by permitting the Attorney General to deny the transfer of firearms or the issuance of firearms and explosives licenses to known or suspected dangerous terrorists.

S. 44

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 44, a bill to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

S. 77

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 77, a bill to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to negotiate for lower prices for Medicare prescription drugs.

S. 168

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 168, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to prohibit discrimination in the payment of wages on account of sex, race, or national origin, and for other purposes.

S. 183

At the request of Mrs. McCASKILL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 183, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for fairness in hospital payments under the Medicare program.

S. 192

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Mississippi