

emotional, and cognitive development. It is a vital program and its reauthorization is of the utmost importance.

We did not draft this reauthorization in a vacuum. We held three public hearings in the Subcommittee on Children and Families, and we worked closely with all members, Democrat and Republican, of the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee. We also asked for input and recommendations from folks on the ground since we know that parents, child care providers, and early learning and developmental experts, know best how this program works and how it can be improved. It is my hope that the bill we're introducing today represents all of the good ideas that have been brought to us throughout this process.

It is noteworthy that the CCDBG program has not been reauthorized since 1996. The last time we reauthorized CCDBG was during welfare reform. At that time, the program was envisioned solely as a workforce aid—something to help moms and dads get back to work or school. This was, and remains, an important goal, but we have learned a lot since 1996. We know that child care can, and should, be constructed in such a way that benefits both the parent and the child: it should allow parents to go to work or school, but it should also give kids the building blocks to be successful in their lives.

What we know today, that we didn't 17 years ago, is that the most rapid period of development for the brain happens in the first 5 years of life. That is why it is so imperative that we ensure our children are in high-quality child care programs. While important, it is not enough to simply ensure that kids have someplace to go. We must also ensure that they go someplace that is safe, that nurtures their development, that challenges their mind, and that prepares them for school.

The current program is outdated. It does not go far enough in promoting and supporting high-quality child care programs. It does not do enough to safeguard the health and safety of children. It does not always ensure that children have continuity of care, nor does it provide sufficient protections for working families when their employment situations change. It does not focus enough on infant and toddler care. It does not require mandatory background checks for child care providers in this program.

So, today we are introducing a bill that makes needed changes to address shortcomings in current law.

Our bill requires States to devote more of their funding to quality initiatives, such as: training, professional development, and professional advancement of the child care workforce, supporting early learning guidelines, developing and implementing quality rating systems for providers, and improving the supply and quality of child care programs and services for infants and toddlers.

Our bill says that CCDBG providers must meet certain health and safety

requirements related to prevention and control of infectious diseases, first aid and CPR, child abuse prevention, administration of medication, prevention of and response to emergencies due to food allergies, prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and shaken baby syndrome, building and physical premises safety, and emergency response planning.

Our bill gives families more stability in the CCDBG program. It ensures that children in the program can get care for at least a year, even if their parent sees a change in their working status or income.

Our bill works to improve early childhood care by requiring States to spend a certain portion of their funding on infant and toddler quality initiatives. The bill requires States to develop and implement plans to increase the supply and quality of care for infants and toddlers, as well as children with disabilities and children receiving care during non-traditional work hours.

And our bill requires mandatory background checks for child care providers in the CCDBG program.

At the outset, I would like to say that most child care providers I have met and spoken with are wonderful, caring people committed to ensuring that the children in their care are safe and happy. This proposal is not meant to insinuate anything negative about our child care workforce.

Instead, it is simply meant to ensure that we are doing our due diligence to ensure that the adults entrusted with our children's day-to-day care are not murderers, child molesters, kidnappers, arsonists, drug dealers, or rapists. Background checks are required for many jobs and I believe they should be required for child care providers.

Every working parent with children, no matter their income level, worries about child care. What's affordable? What's accessible? Will my child be safe? Where can I get the very best care for my kid? The CCDBG program is supposed to give parents peace of mind. And for many families over many years, it has. But we can and should be doing more to improve child care for children, parents, and providers alike. It is long past time to revitalize, refresh, and reform this vitally important program.

Again, I would like to thank Senator BURR, Chairman HARKIN, Ranking Member ALEXANDER, and all members of the Senate HELP Committee for their hard work on this bipartisan proposal. It is my hope that we can move swiftly to get this bill passed out of House and Senate and onto the President's desk.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1144. Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. KING) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1145. Mr. BEGICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1146. Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. ENZI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1147. Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1148. Mr. COWAN (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1149. Mr. SCHATZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1150. Mr. SCHATZ (for himself and Ms. HIRONO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1151. Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. RISCH, Mr. KING, and Mr. CRAPO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1152. Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. HARKIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1153. Mr. WYDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1154. Ms. STABENOW (for Mr. WYDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 588, to provide for donor contribution acknowledgments to be displayed at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Visitor Center, and for other purposes.

SA 1155. Mr. FRANKEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1144. Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. KING) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title XII, insert the following:

#### SEC. 12. TRANSPORT AND DISPENSING OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN THE USUAL COURSE OF VETERINARY PRACTICE.

Section 302(e) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 822(e)) is amended—

(1) by striking “(e)” and inserting “(e)(1)”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a registrant who is a veterinarian shall not be required to have a separate registration in order to transport and dispense controlled substances in the usual course of veterinary practice at a site other than the registrant's registered principal place of business or professional practice, so long as the site of transporting and dispensing is located in a State where the veterinarian is licensed to practice veterinary medicine and is not a principal place of business or professional practice.”.

SA 1145. Mr. BEGICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize

agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 877, after line 18, add the following:

**SEC. 6208. NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION UTILITY PILOT LOAN PROGRAM.**

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF PILOT LOAN PROGRAM.—Section 232(c) of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 6942(c)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “; and” and inserting a period; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(3) The natural gas distribution utility pilot loan program authorized by section 6208(b) of the Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act of 2013.”.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT LOAN PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service shall establish a natural gas distribution utility pilot loan program to add cooperatives and municipally owned natural gas distribution utilities to the list of utilities eligible to receive loans from the Rural Utilities Service.

(2) PRIORITY.—In making loans authorized under paragraph (1), the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service shall give priority to utilities located in areas that—

(A) have been designated as PM<sub>2.5</sub> non-attainment areas by the Environmental Protection Agency; and

(B) pay more than 200 percent of national average for space heat on a dollar per Btu basis.

(3) FUNDING.—The Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service—

(A) shall carry out the loan pilot program using existing funds of the Rural Utilities Service; and

(B) shall not make loans under the loan pilot program in excess of \$500,000,000 over the duration of the program.

(4) DURATION.—The loan pilot program shall be authorized for a period of 5 years, beginning on the date of enactment of this Act.

(5) REPORT.—At the conclusion of the loan pilot program, the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service shall complete a report examining—

(A) the economic benefits of providing low cost loans; and

(B) any upward price pressure on natural gas prices in the United States resulting from the loan pilot program.

**SA 1146.** Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. ENZI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 273, line 17 strike “. ”.

On page 273, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

“(3) FOREST SERVICE PARTICIPATION.—The Secretary (acting through the Chief of the Forest Service) may use funds derived from conservation-related programs executed on National Forest System land to carry out the ACES Program on National Forest System land.”.

**SA 1147.** Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 573, line 25, strike “\$4,226,000,000” and insert “\$5,726,000,000”.

On page 574, line 7, strike “\$3,026,000,000” and insert “\$4,526,000,000”.

On page 574, line 9, strike “\$1,000,000,000” and insert “\$2,500,000,000”.

**SA 1148.** Mr. COWAN (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 914, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

“(i) SOIL AMENDMENT STUDY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall conduct a study to assess which types of, and which practices associated with the use of, fertilizers, biostimulants, and soil amendments best achieve the goals described in paragraph (2).

“(2) GOALS.—The goals referred to in paragraph (1) are—

“(A) increasing organic matter content;

“(B) reducing atmospheric volatilization;

“(C) identifying cost-effective conservation or production practices that reduce or eliminate nutrient runoff or leaching into groundwater or other water sources; and

“(D) understanding current bioactivity or nutrient loads in soil.

“(3) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of receipt of funds to carry out this subsection, the Secretary shall make publicly available and submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that—

“(A) describes the results of the study; and

“(B) identifies the types of, and practices using, fertilizers, biostimulants, and soil amendments that best achieve the goals identified in paragraph (2).”.

**SA 1149.** Mr. SCHATZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 396, strike lines 2 through 7 and insert the following:

**SEC. 4201. ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY FOR PURCHASE OF FRESH FRUITS, VEGETABLES, AND OTHER SPECIALTY FOOD CROPS.**

Section 10603 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 612c-4) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b), by striking “2012” and inserting “2018”;

(2) by redesignating subsections (a), (b), and (c) as subsections (b), (c), and (a), respectively; and

(3) by inserting after subsection (c) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(d) LOCAL PREFERENCE IN MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT.—To the maximum extent practicable, a memorandum of agreement between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Defense related to the purchase of fresh fruits and vegetables under this section shall require that fruits and vegetables purchased under the agreement be locally grown (as determined by the Secretary).

“(e) PILOT GRANT PROGRAM FOR PURCHASE OF FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Using amounts made available to carry out subsection (c), the Secretary of Agriculture shall conduct a pilot program under which the Secretary will give not more than 5 participating States the option of receiving a grant in an amount equal to the value of the commodities that the participating State would oth-

erwise receive under this section for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2018.

“(2) USE OF GRANT FUNDS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A participating State receiving a grant under this subsection may use the grant funds solely to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables for distribution to schools and service institutions in the State that participate in the food service programs under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 51 et seq.) and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.).

“(B) LOCALLY GROWN.—To the maximum extent practicable, the fruits and vegetables shall be locally grown, as determined by the State.

“(3) SELECTION OF PARTICIPATING STATES.—The Secretary shall select participating States from applications submitted by the States.

“(4) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

“(A) SCHOOL AND SERVICE INSTITUTION REQUIREMENT.—Schools and service institutions in a participating State shall—

“(i) maintain records of purchases of fresh fruits and vegetables made using the grant funds; and

“(ii) report to the State the records.

“(B) STATE REQUIREMENT.—Each participating State shall submit to the Secretary a report on the success of the pilot program in the State, including information on—

“(i) the amount and value of each type of fresh fruit and vegetable purchased by the State; and

“(ii) the benefit provided by the purchases in conducting the school food service in the State, including meeting school meal requirements.”.

**SA 1150.** Mr. SCHATZ (for himself and Ms. HIRONO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1122, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

**SEC. 121. LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR KONA COFFEE.**

Subtitle A of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621 et seq.) (as amended by section 12104(b)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

**“SEC. 211. LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR KONA COFFEE.**

“(a) IN GENERAL.—No person shall sell or offer, expose for sale, or transport Hawaii-grown green coffee packed in wholesale quantities outside the geographic region of production described in subsection (b) unless each container is conspicuously marked, stamped, printed, or labeled in the English language with the exact grade or lower grade for the green coffee or the term ‘offgrade’, as applicable.

“(b) GEOGRAPHIC REGION OF PRODUCTION.—For purposes of subsection (a), the geographic region of production is—

“(1) the State of Hawaii;

“(2) the island of Maui;

“(3) the island of Molokai;

“(4) the island of Oahu;

“(5) the island of Kauai;

“(6) the district of Ka’u on the island of Hawaii, as designated by the State of Hawaii Tax Map;

“(7) the district of Hamakua on the island of Hawaii, as designated by the State of Hawaii Tax Map; and

“(8) the North Kona and South Kona districts on the island of Hawaii, as designated by the State of Hawaii Tax Map.

“(c) PLACEMENT.—The grade statement shall appear on—

“(1) the label required under subsection (a); or

“(2) the container on the same panel as the declaration of identity required by the matter under the headings ‘Uniform Laws and Regulations’ and ‘Uniform Packaging and Labeling Regulation’ of section A of part IV of the National Institute of Standards and Technology handbook No. 130 (1993 edition), with amendments specified in section 4-93-2(a) of the Hawaii Administrative Rules.

“(d) CORRECTION.—Any label that is determined to be incorrect shall be corrected by complete obliteration of the incorrect information and substitution with the correct statement of fact.

“(e) LETTERS AND FIGURES.—The letters and figures used to meet the requirements of this section shall be of bold type and legible.

“(f) GRADE TERMS.—The grade terms shall be exactly as shown in sections 4-143-4, 4-143-5, and 4-143-6 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules (as in effect on the date of enactment of this section).”.

**SA 1151.** Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. RISCH, Mr. KING, and Mr. CRAPO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 421, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

**SEC. 42 . . . AVAILABILITY OF VEGETABLES AS SUPPLEMENTAL FOODS UNDER WIC PROGRAM.**

Section 17(f)(11) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(f)(11)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as subparagraph (D); and

(2) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following:

“(C) VEGETABLES.—The regulation required under paragraph (1) shall not exclude or restrict the eligibility of any variety of fresh, whole, or cut vegetables (other than vegetables with added sugars, fats, or oils) from being provided as supplemental foods under the program under this section.”.

**SA 1152.** Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. HARKIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 421, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

**SEC. 40 . . . DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS TO PROMOTE HEALTHY EATING AMONG SNAP RECIPIENTS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall carry out 2 demonstration projects in States that agree to plan, design, develop, and implement programs to eliminate purchases of unhealthful foods or beverages under the supplemental nutrition assistance program established under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.).

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In selecting States to carry out a demonstration project under this section, the Secretary shall ensure that each proposed demonstration project includes—

(1) a standard based on nutritional content that—

(A) is demonstrated to be clear, practical, and consistent in excluding certain items from eligibility;

(B) limits the use of benefits for purchasing foods or beverages that are identified in the most recent Dietary Guidelines for Americans published under section 301 of the National Nutrition Monitoring and Re-

lated Research Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5341) as foods, beverages, or food components that—

(i) are consumed in excessive amounts; and

(ii) may increase the risk of certain chronic diseases or conditions; and

(C) does not—

(i) expand the number of items otherwise eligible for assistance under the supplemental nutrition assistance program; or

(ii) classify alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and hot foods or hot food products ready for immediate consumption as eligible for assistance under that program;

(2) a description of the cost of implementing the demonstration project in the State;

(3) a description of the number of households participating in the supplemental nutrition assistance program to be affected by the demonstration project;

(4) a process for participating States to educate participants and retailers about eligible and ineligible foods, including a procedure for disseminating product eligibility information to participants and retailers periodically;

(5) a procedure to work with retailers to identify problems and best practices in implementing new product eligibility standards;

(6) a procedure to monitor and evaluate program operations, including the impact on participating households and small businesses;

(7) a statement that the demonstration project does not reduce the eligibility for, or amount of, benefits available under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.);

(8) notwithstanding section 3(k) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012(k)), complies with the requirements of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.);

(9) the ability of the State to meet the evaluation criteria under subsections (c) and (d); and

(10) any other requirements that the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(c) CONSIDERATION.—In selecting States to carry out a demonstration project under this section, the Secretary shall consider whether a State has previously applied for a waiver under the supplemental nutrition assistance program to carry out a similar project.

(d) EVALUATION.—Not later than 2 years after the date on which a demonstration project is initiated under this section, the Secretary shall provide for an independent evaluation of the projects selected under this section that uses rigorous methodologies, particularly random assignment or other methods that are capable of producing scientifically valid information regarding effective restrictions to measure the impact of the pilot program on—

(1) the costs and benefits under the supplemental nutrition assistance program in the State;

(2) the access of individuals receiving benefits under the supplemental nutrition assistance program in the State to nutritious food;

(3) the dietary intake of—

(A) supplemental nutrition assistance program recipients participating in the supplemental nutrition assistance program demonstration project; and

(B) a control group of supplemental nutrition assistance program recipients not participating in the demonstration project; and

(4) other effects that the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(e) COSTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—All costs associated with carrying out a pilot project and an evaluation of that pilot project under this section shall—

(A) be provided by the State; and

(B) not be eligible for administrative matching under section 16(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2025(a)).

(2) CONTRIBUTIONS.—A State may accept and use contributions from nongovernmental entities, including nonprofit organizations, to carry out a pilot project and an evaluation of that pilot project under this section.

**SA 1153.** Mr. WYDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 986, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

**SEC. 83 . . . EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN PAYMENTS FROM SEQUESTRATION ORDERS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 255(g)(1)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 905(g)(1)(A)) is amended by inserting after “Payment to Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund (24-0200-0-1-805).” the following:

“Payments to Counties under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 500 note; Public Law 106-393).

“Payments in lieu of taxes under chapter 69 of title 31, United States Code.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) takes effect on October 1, 2012.

**SA 1154.** Ms. STABENOW (for Mr. WYDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 588, to provide for donor contribution acknowledgments to be displayed at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Visitor Center, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**SECTION 1. DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS.**

Section 8905(b) of title 40, United States Code is amended by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the following:

“(7) DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the Secretary or Administrator, as applicable, may permit a sponsor described in subsection (a) to acknowledge donor contributions at the commemorative work.

“(B) REQUIREMENTS.—Acknowledgments shall—

“(i) be displayed inside a visitor center or other ancillary structure associated with the commemorative work; and

“(ii) conform to applicable National Park Service or General Services Administration guidelines for donor recognition, as applicable.

“(C) LIMITATIONS.—Acknowledgments shall—

“(i) be limited to an appropriate statement or credit recognizing the contribution;

“(ii) be displayed in a form approved by the Secretary or Administrator;

“(iii) be displayed for a period of time determined by the Secretary or Administrator to be appropriate, commensurate with the level of the contribution;

“(iv) be limited to short, discrete, and unobtrusive acknowledgments or credits; and

“(v) not include any advertising slogans or company logos.

“(D) SUBMITTAL OF PLAN.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Prior to the display of donor acknowledgments, the sponsor shall submit to the Secretary or Administrator, as applicable, for approval a plan for displaying the donor acknowledgments, including—

“(I) the sample text and types of acknowledgments to be displayed; and

“(II) the form and location of all displays.

“(ii) NOTIFICATION AND RESUBMITTAL.—If the Secretary or Administrator does not approve the plan submitted under clause (i), the Secretary or Administrator shall—

“(I) not later than 60 days after the date on which the plan is received, notify the sponsor of the reasons the plan is not approved; and

“(II) allow the sponsor to resubmit a revised donor acknowledgment plan.

“(E) COST.—The sponsor shall bear all expenses related to the display of donor acknowledgments.

“(F) APPLICABILITY.—This paragraph shall apply to any commemorative work dedicated after January 1, 2010.”.

## SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY FOR VIETNAM MEMORIAL VISITOR CENTER.

Section 6(b)(5) of Public Law 96-297 (16 U.S.C. 431 note; 124 Stat. 2851) is amended by striking “2014” and inserting “2018”.

**SA 1155.** Mr. FRANKEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 954, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 199, strike lines 11 through 24, and insert the following:

“(A) the level of natural resource and environment benefits resulting from existing and proposed conservation treatment on all applicable priority resource concerns; and

On page 200, line 1, strike “(E)” and insert “(B)”.

On page 200, beginning on line 4, strike “; and” and all that follows through “production” on line 8.

On page 206, line 9, strike “not less than 5” and insert “a limited number of”.

On page 210, line 2, insert “or improve” after “adopt”.

## NOTICES OF HEARINGS

### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing scheduled before the Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources has been postponed. This hearing was scheduled to be held on Thursday, June 6, 2013, at 2:30 p.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of this oversight hearing is to examine the progress made by Native Hawaiians toward stated goals of the Hawaiian Homelands Commission Act.

For further information, please contact Cisco Minthorn at (202) 224-4756 or Danielle Deraney at (202) 224-1219.

### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. WYDEN. 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 Tuesday, June 11, 2013, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the November 6, 2012 referendum on the political status

of Puerto Rico and the Administration's response.

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 may do so by sending it to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510-6150, or by e-mail to danielle.deraney@energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact Allen Stayman at (202) 224-7865 or Danielle Deraney at (202) 224-1219.

### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet during the session of the Senate on June 12, 2013, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing to consider the President's Nomination of Yvette Roubideaux, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services. (Re-appointment)

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at (202) 224-2251.

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

## VIETNAM VETERANS DONOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ACT OF 2013

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 588, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 588) to provide for donor contribution acknowledgments to be displayed at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Visitor Center, and for other purposes.

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

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that a Wyden amendment which is at the desk be agreed to, the bill, as amended, be read a third time and passed, and the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

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

The amendment (No. 1154) was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: In the nature of a substitute)

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

### SECTION 1. DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS.

Section 8905(b) of title 40, United States Code is amended by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the following:

“(7) DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the Secretary or Administrator, as applicable, may permit a sponsor described in subsection (a) to ac-

knowledge donor contributions at the commemorative work.

“(B) REQUIREMENTS.—Acknowledgments shall—

“(i) be displayed inside a visitor center or other ancillary structure associated with the commemorative work; and

“(ii) conform to applicable National Park Service or General Services Administration guidelines for donor recognition, as applicable.

“(C) LIMITATIONS.—Acknowledgments shall—

“(i) be limited to an appropriate statement or credit recognizing the contribution;

“(ii) be displayed in a form approved by the Secretary or Administrator;

“(iii) be displayed for a period of time determined by the Secretary or Administrator to be appropriate, commensurate with the level of the contribution;

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“(v) not include any advertising slogans or company logos.

“(D) SUBMITTAL OF PLAN.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Prior to the display of donor acknowledgments, the sponsor shall submit to the Secretary or Administrator, as applicable, for approval a plan for displaying the donor acknowledgments, including—

“(I) the sample text and types of acknowledgments to be displayed; and

“(II) the form and location of all displays.

“(ii) NOTIFICATION AND RESUBMITTAL.—If the Secretary or Administrator does not approve the plan submitted under clause (i), the Secretary or Administrator shall—

“(I) not later than 60 days after the date on which the plan is received, notify the sponsor of the reasons the plan is not approved; and

“(II) allow the sponsor to resubmit a revised donor acknowledgment plan.

“(E) COST.—The sponsor shall bear all expenses related to the display of donor acknowledgments.

“(F) APPLICABILITY.—This paragraph shall apply to any commemorative work dedicated after January 1, 2010.”.

## SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY FOR VIETNAM MEMORIAL VISITOR CENTER.

Section 6(b)(5) of Public Law 96-297 (16 U.S.C. 431 note; 124 Stat. 2851) is amended by striking “2014” and inserting “2018”.

The amendment was ordered to be engrossed and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill (H.R. 588), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

## ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2013

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 4, 2013; that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, 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 for 1 hour with the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the majority controlling the first half and the Republicans controlling the final half; that