

of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-69. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-534, "Employee Transportation Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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. REID (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. COONS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 1. A bill to reform America's broken immigration system; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. BROWN, Mr. COONS, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 2. A bill to reduce violence and protect the citizens of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. COONS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BROWN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 3. A bill to improve education and provide all students in the United States with the opportunity to succeed; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. COONS):

S. 4. A bill to create jobs and strengthen our economy by rebuilding our Nation's infrastructure; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SCHATZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BAUCUS, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 5. A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. NELSON, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. COONS, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 6. A bill to reauthorize the VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011, to provide assistance to small businesses owned by veterans, to improve enforcement of employment and reem-

ployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. COONS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 7. A bill to improve the resilience of the United States to extreme weather events and to prevent the worsening of extreme weather conditions; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. COONS, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 8. A bill expressing the sense of the Senate on the need to enact legislation to eliminate wasteful tax loopholes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. COONS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 9. A bill to strengthen our Nation's electoral system by ensuring clean and fair elections; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BROWN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. HEITKAMP, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. COONS, Mr. DONNELLY, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 10. A bill to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. COONS):

S. 21. A bill to secure the United States against cyber attack, to improve communication and collaboration between the private sector and the Federal Government, to enhance American competitiveness and create jobs in the information technology industry, and to protect the identities and sensitive information of American citizens and businesses; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. REED, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 22. A bill to establish background check procedures for gun shows; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 23. A bill to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. PORTMAN:

S. 24. A bill to lower health premiums and increase choice for small businesses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 25. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 26. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 27. A bill to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled "An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. LEE, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. FLAKE):

S. 28. A bill to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of National Forest System land in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Utah to Brigham Young University, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BURR, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. LEE, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 29. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide for automatic continuing resolutions; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Ms. AYOTTE:

S. 30. A bill to prevent the 2013 pay adjustment of persons holding senior positions in the Federal Government from being made and to prevent pay adjustments for Members of Congress in any year there is a budget deficit; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. AYOTTE:

S. 31. A bill to make the moratorium on Internet access taxes and multiple and discriminatory taxes on electronic commerce permanent; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PORTMAN:

S. 32. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. REED, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. MURPHY, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 33. A bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. REED, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

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; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. REED, Mrs. BOXER, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 35. A bill to require face to face purchases of ammunition, to require licensing of

ammunition dealers, and to require reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 36. A bill for the relief of Alemseghed Mussie Tesfamal; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 37. A bill to sustain the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land and other public land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to release certain wilderness study areas, to designate new areas for recreation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 38. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit the exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 39. A bill to improve the health of Americans and reduce health care costs by reorienting the Nation's health care system toward prevention, wellness, and health promotion; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNNS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BURR, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COATS, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 40. A bill to restore Americans' individual liberty by striking the Federal mandate to purchase insurance; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. NELSON):

S. 41. A bill to provide a permanent deduction for State and local general sales taxes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 42. A bill to provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. VITTER, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. JOHANNNS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. LEE, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 43. A bill to require that any debt limit increase be balanced by equal spending cuts of the next decade; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. INHOFE):

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; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 45. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf off the coast of California, Oregon, and Washington; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. LEE, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. HELLER, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. RISCH, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 46. A bill to protect Social Security benefits and military pay and require that the

United States Government prioritize all obligations on the debt held by the public in the event that the debt limit is reached; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. COONS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BENNET, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. CASEY):

S. 47. A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; read the first time.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 48. A bill for the relief of Genesio Januario Oliveira; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. 49. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that veterans in each of the 48 contiguous States are able to receive services in at least one full-service Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in the State or receive comparable services provided by contract in the State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 50. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to investigate and address cancer and disease clusters, including in infants and children; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 51. A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 52. A bill to improve the energy and water efficiency of Federal buildings; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 53. A bill to authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to award grants to individuals that may be affected by a reported disease cluster; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 54. A bill to increase public safety by punishing and deterring firearms trafficking; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 55. A bill to prohibit Members of Congress and the President from receiving pay during Government shutdowns; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 56. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the credit for employers establishing workplace child care facilities, to increase the child care credit to encourage greater use of quality child care services, to provide incentives for students to earn child care-related degrees and to work in child care facilities, and to increase the exclusion for employer-provided dependent care assistance; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 57. A bill to establish a timely and expeditious process for voting on the statutory debt limit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 58. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. NELSON, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 59. A bill to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 60. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to provide for the study of the Western States Trail for potential designation as a national historic trail; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 61. A bill to include the Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands in the California Coastal National Monument as a part of the National Landscape Conservation System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. COONS, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 62. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions and to make additional contributions to the Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. COONS):

S. 63. A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Labor to establish the Made In America Incentive Grant Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LEE:

S.J. Res. 1. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States requiring that the Federal budget be balanced; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. RES. 4

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH), the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY), the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING), the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR), the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 4, a resolution to limit certain uses of the filibuster in the Senate to improve the legislative process.

S. RES. 7

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Alaska