

Whereas refugee women and girls have a right to safe and equitable access to humanitarian assistance, including food and cooking fuel, shelter, education, health care, and economic opportunity;

Whereas the full and meaningful participation of refugee women and girls in community decision-making is critical to the stability, security, and prosperity of entire communities;

Whereas the full participation of refugee women and girls in the design and implementation of assistance programs is vital to ensuring that those programs are equitable, efficient and successful;

Whereas the United States is a leader on protection of and humanitarian assistance for refugees, including refugee women and girls;

Whereas the United States has recognized the threat that gender-based violence can pose to refugee women and girls by working to strengthen efforts to protect them through the United States National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security;

Whereas the United States is a leading advocate for the meaningful participation of refugee women in humanitarian programs, peace processes, governance, and recovery programs;

Whereas the United States provides critical resources and support to the UNHCR and other international and nongovernmental organizations working with refugees around the world; and

Whereas the United States has welcomed more than 3,000,000 refugees during the last 30 years, who are resettled in communities across the country: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) supports the goals and ideals of World Refugee Day;

(2) reaffirms its commitment to the protection, well-being, and self-reliance of refugee women and girls and their families in United States humanitarian policy, programs, and diplomacy and recognizes the work of the United States Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development to this end;

(3) emphasizes the importance of ensuring that humanitarian assistance programs supported by the United States provide safe and equitable access for women and girls and are designed and implemented with their full participation;

(4) reiterates the importance of targeted programs for refugee women and girls that prevent and respond to gender-based violence, support self-reliance, and promote and develop their participation and leadership skills;

(5) recognizes the work of the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration of the Department of State, the Office of Refugee Resettlement of the Department of Health and Human Services, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services of the Department of Homeland Security, nongovernmental organizations, advocacy groups, and communities across the United States in welcoming and resettling refugees in the United States;

(6) celebrates the invaluable contributions that refugee women and girls make to their families and communities; and

(7) encourages the people of the United States to observe World Refugee Day with appropriate programs and activities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 185—TO AUTHORIZE REPRESENTATION BY THE SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL IN THE CASE OF R. WAYNE PATTERSON V. UNITED STATES SENATE, ET AL.

Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McCONNELL) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 185

Whereas, the United States Senate, Vice President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., and Senate Parliamentarian Elizabeth C. MacDonough have been named as defendants in the case of *R. Wayne Patterson v. United States Senate, et al.*, No. 13-cv-2311, now pending in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California;

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 704(a)(1) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. §§ 288b(a) and 288c(a)(1), the Senate may direct its counsel to defend the Senate and officers and employees of the Senate in civil actions relating to their official responsibilities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate Legal Counsel is authorized to represent the United States Senate, Vice President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., and Senate Parliamentarian Elizabeth C. MacDonough in the case of *R. Wayne Patterson v. United States Senate, et al.*

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1557. Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KING, and Mr. HARKIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, to provide for comprehensive immigration reform and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1558. Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1559. Mr. HEINRICH (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1560. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1561. Mr. COATS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1562. Mr. COATS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1563. Mr. COATS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1564. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1565. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to

amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1566. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1567. Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. WICKER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1568. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1569. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1570. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1571. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1572. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1573. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1574. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1575. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1576. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1577. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1578. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1579. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1580. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1581. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1582. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1633. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to

amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1634. Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. TESTER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1635. Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mrs. BOXER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1636. Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1637. Mr. WICKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1638. Mr. WICKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1639. Mr. WICKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1640. Mr. WYDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1641. Mr. WYDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1642. Mr. HOEVEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1643. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1644. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1645. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1646. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1647. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1648. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1649. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1650. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to

amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1651. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1652. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1653. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1654. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1655. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1656. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1657. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. COONS, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. BLUNT) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1658. Mrs. MURRAY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1659. Mr. Kaine submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1660. Mr. Kaine submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1661. Mr. Kaine submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1662. Mr. Kaine submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 744, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1557. Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KING, and Mr. HARKIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1183 submitted by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH) to the bill S. 744, to provide for comprehensive immigration reform and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the amendment, insert the following:

SEC. ____. WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 214(c) (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(15) WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS.—

“(A) PROHIBITIONS.—A person may not discharge, demote, suspend, threaten, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against an

employee in the terms and conditions of employment because such employee—

“(i) has filed or is about to file a complaint, instituted or caused to be instituted any proceeding, testified, assisted, or will testify, or cooperated or seeks to cooperate, in an investigation or other proceeding concerning compliance with the requirements under this title or any rule or regulation pertaining to this title or any covered claim;

“(ii) has disclosed or is about to disclose information to the person or to any other person or entity, that the employee reasonably believes evidences a violation of this title or any rule or regulation pertaining to this title, or grounds for any covered claim;

“(iii) has assisted or participated, or is about to assist or participate, in any manner in a proceeding or in any other action to carry out the purposes of this title or any covered claim;

“(iv) furnished, or is about to furnish, information to the Department of Labor, the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, or any Federal, State, or local regulatory or law enforcement agency relating to a violation of this title or any covered claim; or

“(v) objected to, or refused to participate in, any activity, policy, practice, or assigned task that the employee (or other such person) reasonably believed to be in violation of any provision of this Act or any other Act, or any order, rule, regulation, standard, or ban under any Act.

“(B) ENFORCEMENT.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—An employee who believes that he or she has suffered a violation of subparagraph (A) may seek relief in accordance with the procedures, notifications, burdens of proof, remedies, and statutes of limitation set forth in section 1514A of title 18, United States Code.

“(ii) STAY OF REMOVAL.—The Attorney General and the Secretary of Homeland Security, after consulting with the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Labor has determined that a claim filed under this section for a violation of subparagraph (A) is not frivolous and demonstrates a prima facie case that a violation has occurred, may stay the removal of the nonimmigrant from the United States for time sufficient to participate in an action taken pursuant to this section. Upon the final disposition of the claim filed under this section, either by the Secretary of Labor or by a Federal court, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall adjust the employee's status consistent with such disposition. A determination to deny a stay of removal under this clause shall not deprive an individual of the right to pursue any other avenue for relief from removal proceedings.

“(iii) APPEAL.—

“(I) JURISDICTION.—Any person adversely affected or aggrieved by a final order issued under clause (i) may obtain review of the order in the United States Court of Appeals for—

“(aa) the circuit in which the violation, with respect to which the order was issued, allegedly occurred; or

“(bb) the circuit in which the complainant resided on the date of such violation.

“(II) FILING DEADLINE.—A petition for review under this subparagraph shall be filed not later than 60 days after the date on which the final order was issued by the Secretary of Labor.

“(III) APPLICABLE LAW.—A review under this subparagraph shall conform to the provisions set forth in chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code.

“(IV) STAY OF ORDER.—Unless ordered by the court, the commencement of proceedings under this subparagraph shall not operate as