

(6) The commissioner of the office of motor vehicles of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, or his designee.

(7) Each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation or the member's designee; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the members of this task force shall serve without compensation, except per diem or expenses reimbursement to which they may be individually entitled as members of the organizations they represent; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the president of the Senate or his designee shall act as chairman of the task force and the speaker of the House of Representatives or his designee shall act as vice chairman; and be it further

*Resolved*, That a majority of the total membership shall constitute a quorum of the task force and any official action by the task force shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum present and voting; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the names of the members chosen or designated as provided herein shall be submitted to the chairman of the task force not later than August 15, 2013, and that the chairman shall thereafter call the first meeting of the task force not later than September 15, 2013; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the task force shall meet as necessary, shall submit a written report of its findings and recommendations to the chairmen of the Senate and House committees on transportation, highways, and public works not later than sixty days prior to the 2014 Regular Session of the Legislature, and shall terminate upon submission of its report; and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the deputy secretary of public safety services of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, the commissioner of the office of motor vehicles of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, and each member of Louisiana's congressional delegation.

POM-43. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Louisiana urging and requesting the Louisiana congressional delegation to review the basis for the discontinuance of funding of the Bossier Sheriff's Young Marines Program through a Juvenile Accountability Block Grant with the United States Department of Justice, Office of Civil Rights; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION No. 192

Whereas, since 2002, the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office has successfully administered the Bossier Sheriff's Young Marines Program, a program sanctioned by the United States Marine Corps which provides community-based physical education programs that are designed to teach young men and women, ages 8 to 18, respect for their bodies through physical fitness, which in return will instill resistance to the temptations of illegal drugs, alcohol and tobacco use; and

Whereas, the focus of the program is character-building, along with core values of discipline, leadership, teamwork and commitment and instills into the participants the ideals of honesty, integrity and respect and at-risk youth developing goals for academic success; and

Whereas, the program has been partially funded by the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) provided by the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE); and

Whereas, because of the success of the program, local judges started sentencing court-ordered juveniles to the program as a diversion from jail time; however, the Young Marines Program was never intended to be a "diversion" program and the LCLE staff has recommended that the Bossier Parish Sher-

iff's Office create a new separate program, specifically for court-ordered juveniles; and

Whereas, in December 2012, the Sheriff's Office submitted a JABG application for the Bossier Youth Diversion Program which was created similar to the Bossier Sheriff's Young Marines Program, while also incorporating "Character Counts" and "The Great Body Shop", as recommended by LCLE staff, for court-ordered juveniles only; and

Whereas, the Sheriff's Office was advised by the LCLE that pursuant to the direction of the United States Department of Justice, Office for Civil Rights, the program can "NOT include prayer as part of the Diversion program. Any prayer, even if voluntary, needs to be separate in time or location from the Diversion Program activities."; and

Whereas, on February 22, 2013, the Sheriff's Office responded by email to the LCLE, "In response to the prayer issue, the time that was offered for prayer was optional for all of the kids. It was led by any child that wanted to volunteer and if there wasn't a volunteer, it became a few moments of silence."; and

Whereas, on March 7, 2013, LCLE responded, at the direction of the United States Department of Justice, requesting an official letter, "... signed by the Sheriff, which states that there will be no prayer activities conducted during the Diversion program ..." and that the LCLE "... will not be able to issue an award until this letter is received."; and

Whereas, at that time, the Sheriff withdrew the grant request; and

Whereas, on February 6, 2013, the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office submitted a Program Plan Worksheet requesting the one-time Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention funds available for the Bossier Sheriff's Young Marines Program and was denied upon the same grounds involving prayer activities; and

Whereas, at this time, the Sheriff's Office has been divested of funding by the LCLE for both the Bossier Sheriff's Young Marines Program and the Bossier Youth Diversion Program due to prayer and the mention of God in the programs: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the members of the Louisiana congressional delegation are hereby urged and requested to review with the United States Department of Justice, Office of Civil Rights, the basis for the discontinuance of funding of the Bossier Sheriff's Young Marines Program with a Juvenile Accountability Block Grant; and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation, the governor, the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, and the Bossier Parish Sheriff.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. MURRAY, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1243. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-45).

By Mr. PRYOR, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1244. An original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-46).

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1245. An original bill making appropriations for energy and water development and

related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-47).

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, from the Committee on Appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2216. A bill making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-48).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

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" (Rept. No. 113-49).

S. 59. A bill to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California (Rept. No. 113-50).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 156. A bill to allow for the harvest of gull eggs by the Huna Tlingit people within Glacier Bay National Park in the State of Alaska (Rept. No. 113-51).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 211. A bill to amend certain definitions contained in the Provo River Project Transfer Act for purposes of clarifying certain property descriptions, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-52).

S. 225. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-53).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 241. A bill to establish the Rio Grande del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-54).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 256. A bill to amend Public Law 93-435 with respect to the Northern Mariana Islands, providing parity with Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa (Rept. No. 113-55).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 284. A bill to transfer certain facilities, easements, and rights-of-way to Fort Sumner Irrigation District, New Mexico (Rept. No. 113-56).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 305. A bill to authorize the acquisition of core battlefield land at Champion Hill, Port Gibson, and Raymond for addition to Vicksburg National Military Park (Rept. No. 113-57).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 312. A bill to adjust the boundary of the Carson National Forest, New Mexico (Rept. No. 113-58).

S. 342. A bill to designate the Pine Forest Range Wilderness area in Humboldt County, Nevada (Rept. No. 113-59).

S. 349. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and

Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-60).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 368. A bill to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-61).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 371. A bill to establish the Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park, to dedicate the Park to John H. Chafee, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-62).

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 (Rept. No. 113-63).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 476. A bill to amend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act to extend to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Commission (Rept. No. 113-64).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 507. A bill to establish the Manhattan Project National Historical Park in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, Los Alamos, New Mexico, and Hanford, Washington, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-65).

S. 609. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, New Mexico, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-66).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments and an amendment to the title:

S. 736. A bill to establish a maximum amount for special use permit fees applicable to certain cabins on National Forest System land in the State of Alaska (Rept. No. 113-67).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 757. A bill to provide for the implementation of the multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River, Nevada, and Lincoln County, Nevada, to extend the authority to purchase certain parcels of public land, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-68).

By Mr. WYDEN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 316. A bill to reinstate and transfer certain hydroelectric licenses and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects (Rept. No. 113-69).

## 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. WYDEN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) (by request):

S. 1237. A bill to improve the administration of programs in the insular areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. WARREN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REID, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MENENDEZ,

Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. HEINRICH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. NELSON, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. COONS):

S. 1238. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the current reduced interest rate for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans for 1 year, to modify required distribution rules for pension plans, and for other purposes; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 1239. A bill to expand the research and awareness activities of the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to scleroderma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 1240. A bill to establish a new organization to manage nuclear waste, provide a consensual process for siting nuclear waste facilities, ensure adequate funding for managing nuclear waste, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. KING, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CARPER, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 1241. A bill to establish the interest rate for certain Federal student loans, and for other purposes; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. COONS, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1242. A bill to amend the Fair Housing Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 1243. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 1244. An original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 1245. An original bill making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1246. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require contracting officers to consider information regarding domestic employment before awarding a Federal defense contract, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. REED:

S. 1247. A bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 1248. A bill to permit employees to request, and to ensure employers consider requests for, flexible work terms and conditions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. KIRK, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 1249. A bill to rename the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking of the Department of State the Bureau to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons and to provide for an Assistant Secretary to head such Bureau, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. 1250. A bill to provide \$50,000,000,000 in new transportation infrastructure funding through bonding to empower States and local governments to complete significant infrastructure projects across all modes of transportation, including roads, bridges, rail and transit systems, ports, and inland waterways, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CASEY, Mr. FRANKEN, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 1251. A bill to establish programs with respect to childhood, adolescent, and young adult cancer; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 1252. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Missisquoi River and the Trout River in the State of Vermont, as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MURPHY (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1253. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. NELSON (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. KING, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 1254. A bill to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 1255. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a deduction for travel expenses to medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs in connection with examinations or treatments relating to service-connected disabilities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. REED, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1256. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to preserve the effectiveness of medically important antimicrobials used in the treatment of human and animal diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROBERTS:

S. 1257. A bill to protect financial transactions in the United States from enforcement of certain excise taxes imposed by any foreign government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.