

Senate on July 9, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2320. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Redesignation of the Indianapolis Area to Attainment of the 1997 Annual Standard for Fine Particulate Matter" (FRL No. 9832-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2321. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans for North Carolina: Partial Withdrawal" (FRL No. 9831-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2322. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans for Georgia: Partial Withdrawal" (FRL No. 9831-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2323. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Interstate Transport of Fine Particulate Matter" (FRL No. 9831-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2324. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Coverage Determinations for Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2325. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Programs: Essential Health Benefits in Alternative Benefit Plans, Eligibility Notices, Fair Hearing and Appeal Processes, and Premiums and Cost Sharing; Exchanges: Eligibility and Enrollments" (RIN0938-AR04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2013; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2326. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification that a report relative to the Palestinian Authority with respect to the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 is not required; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2327. A communication from the Executive Director, U. S. Agency for International Development (USAID), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Deputy Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2013; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2328. Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the obligation and expenditure of funds for the implementation of the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction activities; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2329. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-106); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2330. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-094); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2331. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2013-0119–2013-0126); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2332. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's fiscal year 2012 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2333. A communication from the Deputy Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Meeting Rooms and Public Spaces" (RIN3095-AB77) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. LANDRIEU, from the Committee on Appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2217. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-77).

By Ms. MIKULSKI, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1329. An original bill making appropriations for Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-78).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. JOHNSON, of South Dakota, for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

*Melvin L. Watt, of North Carolina, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency for a term of five years.

*Richard T. Metsger, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board for a term expiring August 2, 2017.

*Jason Furman, of New York, to be a Member and Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers.

*Mary Jo White, of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2019.

*Kara Marlene Stein, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2017.

*Michael Sean Piwowar, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2018.

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Todd M. Hughes, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

Colin Stirling Bruce, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois.

Sara Lee Ellis, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Andrea R. Wood, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Madeline Hughes Haikala, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

James B. Comey, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a term of ten years.

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

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

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. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 1318. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care, to amend title XVIII of such Act to modify the requirements for diabetic shoes to be included under Medicare, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. COATS, Mr. PORTMAN, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 1319. A bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Secretary of Energy to conduct a fuel system requirements harmonization study, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DONNELLY (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 1320. A bill to establish a tiered hiring preference for members of the reserve components of the armed forces; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. 1321. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide that the President's annual budget submission to Congress list the current fiscal year spending level for each proposed program and a separate amount for any proposed spending increases, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1322. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act relating to controlled substance analogues; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 1323. A bill to address the continued threat posed by dangerous synthetic drugs

by amending the Controlled Substances Act relating to controlled substance analogues; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BLUNT, Mrs. FISCHER, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 1324. A bill to prohibit any regulations promulgated pursuant to a presidential memorandum relating to power sector carbon pollution standards from taking effect; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 1325. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the small employer health insurance credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CORKER, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 1326. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and make permanent the rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 1327. A bill to make enrollment in health benefits plans under the Federal Employee Health Benefits Program available to employees of qualified employers when fewer than 2 qualified health plans are offered through the Small Business Health Options Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 1328. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the archeological site and surrounding land of the New Philadelphia town site in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MIKULSKI:

S. 1329. An original bill making appropriations for Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, 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. BEGICH:

S. 1330. A bill to delay the implementation of the employer responsibility provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 1331. A bill to extend the Generalized System of Preferences, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 1332. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. NELSON):

S. 1333. A bill to reinstate funding for the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. KING, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 1334. A bill to establish student loan interest rates, and for other purposes; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 1335. A bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing,

and shooting, and for other purposes; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. LEE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 1336. A bill to amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to permit States to require proof of citizenship for registration to vote in elections for Federal office; placed on the calendar.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. Res. 198. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Government of the Russian Federation should turn over Edward Snowden to United States authorities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 40

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. CORKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 40, a bill to restore Americans' individual liberty by striking the Federal mandate to purchase insurance.

S. 232

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. CORKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 232, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medical devices.

S. 313

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 313, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 395

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 395, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to provide further protection for puppies.

S. 398

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 398, a bill to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum, and for other purposes.

S. 399

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. CORKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 399, a bill to protect American job creation by striking the Federal mandate on employers to offer health insurance.

S. 425

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr.

BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 425, a bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to improve the quality, health outcomes, and value of maternity care under the Medicaid and CHIP programs by developing maternity care quality measures and supporting maternity care quality collaboratives.

S. 429

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 429, a bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products.

S. 462

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Ms. HEITKAMP) was added as a cosponsor of S. 462, a bill to enhance the strategic partnership between the United States and Israel.

S. 577

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 577, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the distribution of additional residency positions, and for other purposes.

S. 603

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 603, a bill to repeal the annual fee on health insurance providers enacted by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

S. 709

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 709, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, leading to better care and outcomes for Americans living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

S. 731

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 731, a bill to require the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency to conduct an empirical impact study on proposed rules relating to the International Basel III agreement on general risk-based capital requirements, as they apply to community banks.

S. 734

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 734, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the