

transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Office of Inspector General's budget request for the fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2902. A joint communication from the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Thefts, Losses, or Releases of Select Agents or Toxins"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2903. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Application of Electronic Health Records (EHR) Payment Incentives for Providers Not Receiving Other Incentive Payments"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2904. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Delays in Approvals of Applications Related to Citizen Petitions and Petitions for Stay of Agency Action for Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2905. A joint communication from the Executive Director and the Chair of the Board of Governors, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Institute's 2012 Annual Report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2906. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Regulations—Student Assistance General Provisions Amendment of the Electronic Filing Procedures for Administrative Adjudication Proceedings Involving Title IV of the Higher Education Act" (RIN1880-AA87) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2013; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2907. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an alternative plan for pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems for 2014; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2908. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Premerger Notification; Reporting and Waiting Period Requirements" (RIN3084-AA91) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2013; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2909. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to intercepted wire, oral, or electronic communications; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2910. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Office of Justice Programs Annual Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2911. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs Annual Report to Congress for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2912. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to

law, a report relative to applications for delayed-notice search warrants and extensions during fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2913. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the second quarter of fiscal year 2013 quarterly report of the Department of Justice's Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2914. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Sentencing Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the compliance of federal district courts with documentation submission requirements; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2915. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States" for the March 2013 session; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2916. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the first quarter of fiscal year 2013 quarterly report of the Department of Justice's Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2917. A communication from the Secretary of State, State of Florida, transmitting, a Senate Memorial, adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida, relative to the creation of the Haitian Family Reunification Parole Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SANDERS, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 131. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the reproductive assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to severely wounded, ill, or injured veterans and their spouses, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-106).

By Mr. SANDERS, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, without amendment:

S. 851. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend to all veterans with a serious service-connected injury eligibility to participate in the family caregiver services program (Rept. No. 113-107).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1072. A bill to ensure that the Federal Aviation Administration advances the safety of small airplanes and the continued development of the general aviation industry, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-108).

By Mr. SCHUMER, from the Committee on Rules and Administration, without amendment:

S. Res. 228. An original resolution authorizing the reporting of committee funding resolutions for the period October 1, 2013, through February 28, 2015.

S. Res. 229. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Ms. STABENOW, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, without amendment:

S. Res. 230. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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

S. Res. 231. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEVIN, from the Committee on Armed Services, without amendment:

S. Res. 232. A resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. SANDERS, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, without amendment:

S. Res. 233. A resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CARPER, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. Res. 234. A resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. LANDRIEU, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, without amendment:

S. Res. 235. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship for October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2014, and October 1, 2014, through February 28, 2015.

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. Res. 236. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN from the Committee on Armed Services.

\*Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. James M. Kowalski, to be Lieutenant General.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

Air Force nominations beginning with Bennie Earl Abbott and ending with Laura L. Zuress, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on April 11, 2013.

Air Force nominations beginning with David W. Abba and ending with Matthew E. Zuber, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 23, 2013.

Air Force nominations beginning with David M. Abel and ending with Michael M. Zwolve, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Air Force nominations beginning with Veronique N. Anderson and ending with Aaron Eugene Woodward, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Air Force nominations beginning with Robert F. Booth and ending with Charles E. Wiedie, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Air Force nomination of Darryl Markowski, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Eddie V. Latham, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Brian W. Adams and ending with D011820, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Army nominations beginning with Marcus P. Acosta and ending with G001362, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Army nominations beginning with Joel O. Alexander and ending with D011416, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Army nominations beginning with Michael N. Adame and ending with Thomas J. Zelko II, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Army nominations beginning with Christopher J. Egan and ending with Bruce R. Walton, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Army nominations beginning with Andrew D. Kastello and ending with Mark A. Seldes, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Army nomination of Brian E. Murphy, to be Major.

Army nomination of Trent E. Loiseau, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Yorlondo S. M. Wortham, to be Major.

Navy nominations beginning with Christopher M. Allen and ending with Stacey E. Zimmerman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Wajahat Ali and ending with Jacob E. Wilson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Hannah L. Bealon and ending with Alicia R. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Brian C. Baker and ending with Kan Yang, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Kristie M. Colpo and ending with Matthew N. Watts, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Onege Bateagborsangaya and ending with Michael G. Tomsik, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Anthony J. Falvo IV and ending with William B. Tisdale, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Trenton J. Arnold and ending with Robert A. Wainwright, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Brian C. Fredrick and ending with Ernesto R. Villalba, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Matthew R. Argenziano and ending with Aaron A. Zimmer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Shane L. Beavers and ending with John J. Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Charles B. Abbott and ending with George S. Zintak, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 25, 2013.

Navy nomination of Josh A. Cassada, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Ronaldo S. Memije, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Kevin L. Albert and ending with Shawn C. Willis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Christopher B. Allen and ending with Joseph M. Zukowsky, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Paul A. Armstrong and ending with James P. Williford, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Jonathan D. Albano and ending with James H. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Michele Y. Allen and ending with Brenda M. Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Candice C. Albright and ending with Katherine D. Worstell, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Alexander Aldana and ending with Daniel L. Zahumensky, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Ricardo M. Abakah and ending with Christopher L. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

Navy nominations beginning with Kimberly S. Bailey and ending with Eric E. Wong, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2013.

By Mr. SCHUMER for the Committee on Rules and Administration.

\*Ann Miller Ravel, of California, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2017.

\*Lee E. Goodman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2015.

\*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. THUNE (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 1505. A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the Environmental Protection Agency with respect to certain sporting good articles, and to exempt those articles from definition under that Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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

S. 1506. A bill to provide tax relief for persons affected by the discharge of oil in connection with the explosion on, and sinking of, the mobile offshore drilling unit Deepwater Horizon; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Ms. HEITKAMP):

S. 1507. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of general welfare benefits provided by Indian tribes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. REID):

S. 1508. A bill to authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a program of awarding grants to owners or operators of water systems to increase the resiliency or adaptability of the systems to any ongoing or forecasted changes to the hydrologic conditions of a region of the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 1509. A bill to establish a Maritime Goods Movement User Fee and provide grants for international maritime cargo improvements and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. PAUL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. HELLER, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 1510. A bill to provide for auditable financial statements for the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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

S. 1511. A bill to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to remove barriers to the adoption of children in foster care through reauthorization and improvement of the adoption incentives program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 1512. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1335 Jefferson Road in Rochester, New York, as the "Specialist Theodore Matthew Glende Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 1513. A bill to amend the Helium Act to complete the privatization of the Federal helium reserve in a competitive market fashion that ensures stability in the helium markets while protecting the interests of American taxpayers, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. MCCONNELL:

S. 1514. A bill to save coal jobs, and for other purposes; read the first time.