

Guard for their outstanding service and sacrifice. Their determination to protect our fellow Americans and defend our freedom should be an example to us all.●

● Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, I wish to honor in the RECORD the 165th Airlift Wing of the Georgia Air National Guard for 10 years of exemplary service on behalf of the United States.

During the wing's decorated career, it served in Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation New Dawn with the majority of the unit's 900 airmen having been deployed in support of these major war operations.

Over the past decade, the unit has flown over 11,363 hours and 7,441 combat sorties, and in 2004, the wing was the first C-130 unit to deploy and operate out of Iraq and fly under the distinguished "Red Tail" designation 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing.

A unit of precision and valor, the wing crew supported the rescue mission of SEAL Team 10 and 3rd Battalion of the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment. During the mission, 16 U.S. servicemembers were tragically killed in action, including three from the wing after a MH-47D Chinook was shot down during a reaction force task in support of the U.S. Navy SEALs. Acting swiftly and heroically, the wing was the first C-130 aircraft to respond. The courageous response from the unit was later celebrated in Marcus Luttrell's book, *Lone Survivor*.

The 165th Airlift Wing of the Georgia Air National Guard has set a standard of military excellence, and its decade of service during the War on Terror has demonstrated remarkable strength and diligence.

It is with great pleasure that I recognize the altruism and bravery showed by the 165th Airlift Wing of the Georgia Air National Guard and thank the unit for its courageousness and dedication toward protecting the freedom of our country.●

TRIBUTE TO WILBUR FAISS

● Mr. HELLER. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize a true Nevadan, humble public servant, and dedicated family man, Wilbur Faiss. Believed to have been the Nation's oldest-living legislator, Mr. Faiss's passing is a great loss and his commitment to serving the Silver State will never be forgotten.

Representing Las Vegas, Mr. Faiss served 2 terms in the Senate from 1976 to 1984. During his time in the Legislature, he authored two important laws, including one allowing pharmacists to substitute affordable, generic brands in place of name brand drugs, and another to allow seniors to access State parks and campgrounds for free. Mr. Faiss was also a strong advocate for the Equal Rights Amendment in 1977 and has professed that voting in support of that piece of legislation was one of the proudest moments of his life.

On his 100th birthday, Mr. Faiss lent advice from his experience in the Sen-

ate, stressing the importance of compromise and a positive outlook, whether in your professional or personal life. It is clear that he practiced these sensibilities in the Senate and at home. His marriage of 79 years to his late wife, Theresa, is a testament to this philosophy. In 2012, he and Theresa were recognized as one of the longest married couples in the U.S.

The citizens of the Silver State were fortunate that such a dedicated and passionate individual called Nevada home. Mr. Faiss serves as an example for others who hold the role of public office. My thoughts and prayers go out to his three sons, six grandchildren, five-great grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren. Today, I would ask my colleagues to join me in remembering the life of a devoted Nevadan and honoring his accomplishments.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 11:40 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Chiappardi, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. UPTON) had signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2094. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the preference given, in awarding certain asthma-related grants, to certain States (those allowing trained school personnel to administer epinephrine and meeting other related requirements).

H.R. 3302. An act to name Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Bay Pines, Florida, as the "C.W. Bill Young Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3491. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Spirotetramat; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9399-4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3492. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of Defense (DoD) providing military compensation and retirement modernization recommendations to the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission and Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3493. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Utilization of Contributions to the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3494. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of References to Credit Ratings in Certain Regulations Governing the Federal Home Loan Banks" (RIN2590-AA40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 4, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3495. A communication from the Chair, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2012 Annual Report of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3496. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64) (Docket No. FEMA-2013-0002)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 1, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3497. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Housing Capital Fund Program" (RIN2577-AC50) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 30, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3498. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3499. A communication from the Administrator, U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Availability and Price of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Produced in Countries Other Than Iran"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3500. A communication from the Chief Human Capital Officer, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, (10) ten reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Energy, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 1, 2013; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3501. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Quality of Water, Colorado River Basin, Progress Report No. 24"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3502. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Qualification Tests for Safety-Related Actuators in Nuclear Power Plants" (Regulatory Guide 1.73, Revision 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 4, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3503. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Design of Structures, Components, Equipment, and Systems" (NUREG-0800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 4, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3504. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant

to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revisions to Radiation Protection” (NUREG-0800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 4, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3505. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Significant New Use Rule on Certain Chemical Substances; Removal of Significant New Use Rules” (FRL No. 9902-16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3506. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment Rule” (FRL No. 9901-98-OECA) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3507. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Extension of Deadline for Action on the Section 126 Petition from Eliot, Maine” (FRL No. 9902-55-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3508. 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; Ohio; Bellefontaine; Determination of Attainment for the 2008 Lead Standard” (FRL No. 9902-33-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3509. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Addition of ortho-Nitrotoluene; Community Right-to-Know Toxic Chemical Release Reporting” (FRL No. 9902-12-OEI) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3510. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible effects such a sale might have relating to Israel’s Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2013-1711); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3511. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible effects such a sale might have relating to Israel’s Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2013-1685); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3512. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (RSAT-13-3485); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3513. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to

law, a report entitled “United States Participation in the United Nations in 2012”; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3514. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program for 2013; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3515. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of a determination to waive certain restrictions on maintaining a Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Office in Washington and on the receipt and expenditure of PLO funds for a period of six months; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3516. 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 2013-0179-2013-0184); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. CARPER for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

*Nanci E. Langley, of Hawaii, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission for a term expiring November 22, 2018.

*Tony Hammond, of Missouri, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2018.

*William Ward Nooter, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen 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.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 1344. A bill to promote research, monitoring, and observation of the Arctic and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-117).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 987. A bill to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media (Rept. No. 113-118).

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

S. 1499. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 278 Main Street in Chadron, Nebraska, as the “Sergeant Cory Mracek Memorial Post Office”.

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”.

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. BOOZMAN:

S. 1655. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to approve waivers under the Medicaid Program under title XIX of the Social Security Act that are related to State provider taxes that exempt certain retirement communities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 1656. A bill to clarify that volunteers at a children’s consignment event are not employees under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico:

S. 1657. A bill to reduce prescription drug misuse and abuse; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 1658. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent certain small business tax provisions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 1659. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding proprietary institutions of higher education in order to protect students and taxpayers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. TESTER, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 1660. A bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. FLAKE (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. Res. 288. A resolution supporting enhanced maritime security in the Gulf of Guinea and encouraging increased cooperation between the United States and West and Central African countries to fight armed robbery at sea, piracy, and other maritime threats; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 562

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 562, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the coverage of marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services under part B of the Medicare program, and for other purposes.