524(g) of such title, of quarterly reports that contain detailed information regarding the receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos; and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

# ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, November 14, 2013, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 330. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish safeguards and standards of quality for research and transplantation of organs infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

S. 893. An act to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2013, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

### 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-3544. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy), transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi-annual Implementation Report on Energy Conservation Standards Activities of the Department of Energy; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3545. 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; Virginia; Removal of the Regulation for the National Low Emission Vehicle Program" (FRL No. 9902-53-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3546. 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; Tennessee; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2008 Lead Ambient Air Quality Standards; Correction" (FRL No. 9902-65-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3547. 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; Texas; Procedures for Stringency Determinations and Minor Permit Revisions for Federal Operating Permits" (FRL No. 9902-50-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3548. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to groups designated by the Secretary of State as Foreign Terrorist Organizations (OSS 2013-1728); to the Committee on Foreign Relations. EC-3549. 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 affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2013-1730); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3550. 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 affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2013-1729); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3551. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-0104); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3552. A communication from the Director of the National Gallery of Art, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Gallery's Inspector General Report for fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3553. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Big Valley District-Lake County and Kelsey Bench-Lake County Viticultural Areas and Modification of the Red Hills Lake County Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AB99) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 30, 2013; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3554. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Ballard Canyon Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AB) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 30, 2013; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3555. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Tropical Botanical Garden, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a delay in the submission of the audit report for the year ending December 31, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3556. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the activities and operations of the Public Integrity Section, Criminal Division, and the nationwide federal law enforcement effort against public corruption; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3557. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Moon Mountain District Sonoma County Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AC00) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 30, 2013; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. Res. 292. A resolution expressing support for the victims of the typhoon in the Philippines and the surrounding region.

S. 657. A bill to eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet primary indicators of health, sanitation, and safety, and for other purposes.

S. 1683. A bill to provide for the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign recipients, and for other purposes.

### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. MENENDEZ for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Michael G. Carroll, of New York, to be Inspector General, United States Agency for International Development.

\*Daniel W. Yohannes, of Colorado, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador.

\*Elizabeth Frawley Bagley, of the District of Columbia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-eighth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

\*Theodore Strickland, of Ohio, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-eighth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

\*Stephen N. Zack, of Florida, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-eighth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

\*Heather Anne Higginbottom, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources.

\*Sarah Sewall, of Massachusetts, to be an Under Secretary of State (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights).

\*Richard Stengel, of New York, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy.

\*Carolyn Hessler Radelet, of Virginia, to be Director of the Peace Corps.

\*Anthony Luzzatto Gardner, of New York, to be Representative of the United States of America to the European Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

Nominee: Anthony Luzzatto Gardner.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information conained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, donee:

Self: \$250, 01/02/2010, Gillibrand for Senate; \$500, 08/10/2011, Obama Victory; \$500, 08/10/ 2011, Obama for America.

Spouse: Alejandra Mac-Crohon: None.

Children and Spouses: Nicolas Gardner, Alejandra Gardner: None.

Parents: Richard Gardner: \$1,000, 04/25/2012, Elizabeth Warren; Danielle Gardner: Deceased.

Grandparents: Bruno Luzzatto, deceased; Resy Luzzatto, deceased; Samuel Gardner, deceased; Ethel Gardner, deceased.

Sisters and Spouses: Nina Luzzatto Gardner: \$1,000, 04/03/2012, Elizabeth Warren; \$250, 09/29/2010, Tom Perriello; \$250, 09/30/2012, Elizabeth Esty; \$250, 09/15/2009, Barbara Boxer; \$500, 06/15/2011, Elizabeth Esty; \$250, 09/27/2012, Dan Maffei; \$500, 09/30/2009, Dem Congrsl Campgn; Francesco Olivieri: None. \*Amy Jane Hyatt, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Palau.

Nominee: Amy Jane Hyatt.

Post: Palau.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: none.

2. Spouse: N/A.

3. Children and Spouses: Emma Hyatt, none; Zachary Rishling, none.

4. Parents: Renée L. Hyatt, deceased, none; Ernest B. Hyatt, deceased none.

5. Grandparents: Simon Hyatt, deceased, none; Rose Hyatt, deceased, none; Clara Lang, deceased, none; Milton Lang, deceased, none.

6. Brothers and Spouses: Glenn S. Hyatt, none; Suzanne Hyatt, none.

7. Sisters and Spouses: N/A.

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Carolyn B. McHugh, of Utah, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

Pamela L. Reeves, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.

Vince Girdhari Chhabria, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California.

James Maxwell Moody, Jr., of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

Amos Rojas, Jr., of Florida, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida for the term of four years.

Peter C. Tobin, of Ohio, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Ohio for a term of four 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. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1700. A bill to amend the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998 to extend, enhance, and revise the provisions relating to collection, use, and disclosure of personal information of children, to establish certain other protections for personal information of children and minors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr.

WYDEN, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado): S. 1701. A bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to strengthen Fourth and Fifth Amendment Protections and freedoms of citizens of the United States and ensure greater transparency and oversight of the ability of the Federal Government to collect information and conduct surveillance on the private lives of citizens of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 1702. A bill to empower States with authority for most taxing and spending for highway programs and mass transit programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 1703. A bill to require the provision of information to members of the Armed Forces on availability of mental health services and related privacy rights; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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

S. 1704. A bill to expand the use of open textbooks in order to achieve savings for students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. MARKEY):

S. 1705. A bill to provide a Federal charter for the National Fab Lab Network, a national network of local digital fabrication facilities providing community access to advanced manufacturing tools for learning skills, developing inventions, creating businesses, and producing personalized products; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1706. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to issue prospective guidance clarifying the employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments with respect to such clarifications; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 1707. A bill to exclude consideration as income under the United States Housing Act of 1937 payments of pensions made under section 1521 of title 38, United States Code, to veterans who are in need of regular aid and attendance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. SCHATZ):

S. 1708. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, with respect to the establishment of performance measures for the highway safety improvement program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KIRK (for himself, Mr. Coons,

Mr. BROWN, and Mr. BLUNT): S. 1709. A bill to require the Committee on Technology of the National Science and Technology Council to develop and update a

Technology Council to develop and update a national manufacturing competitiveness strategic plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE:

S. 1710. A bill to require Amtrak to propose a pet policy that allows passengers to transport domesticated cats and dogs on certain Amtrak trains, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. 1711. A bill to enable States to opt out of certain provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. Alex-ANDER, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Bar-RASSO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCH-RAN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRA-HAM, Mr. HELLER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. LEE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 1712. A bill to provide protections for workers with respect to their right to select or refrain from selecting representation by a labor organization; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MURPHY:

S. 1713. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the dollar limitation on the exclusion for employer-provided dependent care assistance; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. CASEY):

S. 1714. A bill to impose sanctions with respect to Syria, to expand existing sanctions with respect to Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. HELLER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr.

WICKER, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. PORTMAN): S. 1715. A bill to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, disposing, and improving the efficiency of Federal buildings and other civilian property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. GILLI-BRAND, Mr. HELLER, Mr. COONS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. McCAS-KILL, and Mr. KIRK):

S. 1716. A bill to facilitate efficient investments and financing of infrastructure projects and new long-term job creation through the establishment of an Infrastructure Financing Authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KAINE (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 1717. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

> By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. ROB-ERTS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BENNET, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. Res. 295. A resolution expressing the support for the designation of October 20, 2013, as the "National Day on Writing"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. SCHATZ):

S. Res. 296. A resolution designating the week beginning on October 13, 2013, as "National Wildlife Refuge Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. Res. 297. A resolution congratulating the Minnesota Lynx women's basketball team on winning the 2013 Women's National Basketball Association Championship; considered and agreed to.