

Authorization Act of 1978 to provide for Scientific Advisory Board member qualifications, public participation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself and Mr. RISCH):

S. 1854. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, with respect to the operation of longer combination vehicles on the Interstate System in Idaho, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 1855. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the reduced recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. 1856. A bill to repeal section 403 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013, relating to an annual adjustment of retired pay for members of the Armed Forces under the age of 62; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 1857. An original bill to reform assistance to Egypt, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 1858. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to suspend and revise portions of the Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that revised Universal Service Fund distribution to rural carriers, to encourage renewed investment by rural rate-of-return carriers in deployment of broadband infrastructure in rural areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. Res. 323. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on maintaining the current annual adjustment in retired pay for members of the Armed Forces under the age of 62; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 324. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to the tragic shooting at Los Angeles International Airport on November 1, 2013, of employees of the Transportation Security Administration; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 398

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) 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. 401

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a co-

sponsor of S. 401, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from offshore wind.

S. 583

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 583, a bill to implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and preborn human person.

S. 666

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 666, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 775

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 775, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax incentive for the installation and maintenance of mechanical insulation property.

S. 896

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 896, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 929

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 929, a bill to impose sanctions on individuals who are complicit in human rights abuses committed against nationals of Vietnam or their family members, and for other purposes.

S. 1108

At the request of Ms. HIRONO, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1108, a bill to reauthorize the impact aid program under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

S. 1116

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1116, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to equalize the exclusion from gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and to provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment, and for other purposes.

S. 1254

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1254, a bill to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes.

S. 1302

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Louisiana

(Ms. LANDRIEU) and the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) were added as cosponsors of S. 1302, a bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for cooperative and small employer charity pension plans.

S. 1341

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. FLAKE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1341, a bill to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program as the program applies to units of the National Forest System derived from the public domain by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes.

S. 1349

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1349, a bill to enhance the ability of community financial institutions to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, increase individual savings, and for other purposes.

S. 1352

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1352, a bill to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, and for other purposes.

S. 1391

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1391, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal employment discrimination and retaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 1410

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1410, a bill to focus limited Federal resources on the most serious offenders.

S. 1417

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1417, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize programs under part A of title XI of such Act.

S. 1500

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1500, a bill to declare the November 5, 2009, attack at Fort Hood, Texas, a terrorist attack, and to ensure that the victims of the attack and their families receive the same honors and benefits as those Americans who have been killed or wounded in a combat zone overseas and their families.

S. 1507

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms.

MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1507, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of general welfare benefits provided by Indian tribes.

At the request of Ms. HEITKAMP, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1507, *supra*.

S. 1614

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1614, a bill to require Certificates of Citizenship and other Federal documents to reflect name and date of birth determinations made by a State court and for other purposes.

S. 1642

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1642, a bill to permit the continuation of certain health plans.

S. 1649

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1649, a bill to promote freedom and democracy in Vietnam.

S. 1677

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1677, a bill to establish centers of excellence for innovative stormwater control infrastructure, and for other purposes.

S. 1719

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) were added as cosponsors of S. 1719, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the poison center national toll-free number, national media campaign, and grant program, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. JOHANNES, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1719, *supra*.

S. 1765

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1765, a bill to ensure the compliance of Iran with agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program.

S. 1798

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. HAGAN), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 1798, a bill to ensure that emergency services volunteers are not counted as full-time employees under the shared responsibility requirements contained in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

S. 1824

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) were added as co-

sponsors of S. 1824, a bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to exempt certain lead pipes, fittings, fixtures, solder, and flux that contain brass.

S. 1837

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1837, a bill to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to prohibit the use of consumer credit checks against prospective and current employees for the purposes of making adverse employment decisions.

S. 1844

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) were added as cosponsors of S. 1844, a bill to restore full military retirement benefits by closing corporate tax loopholes.

S. 1845

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1845, a bill to provide for the extension of certain unemployment benefits, and for other purposes.

S. 1847

At the request of Ms. HIRONO, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1847, a bill to provide for the redesignation of the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies as the Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies.

S. RES. 314

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 314, a resolution commemorating and supporting the goals of World AIDS Day.

S. RES. 318

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 318, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the critical need for political reform in Bangladesh, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 319

At the request of Mr. MURPHY, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 319, a resolution expressing support for the Ukrainian people in

light of President Yanukovich's decision not to sign an Association Agreement with the European Union.

AMENDMENT NO. 2569

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2569 intended to be proposed to H.J. Res. 59, a joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 2572

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2572 intended to be proposed to H.J. Res. 59, a joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 2574

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2574 intended to be proposed to H.J. Res. 59, a joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. ENZI, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 1849. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to provide for a fixed annual open enrollment period; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I come to the floor, as I have frequently since the health care law was passed, as a doctor who has practiced medicine in Wyoming for a quarter of a century, taking care of people, providing low-cost blood screenings through the Wyoming Health Fair, of which I was the medical director. I was back in Wyoming last week talking to folks about their health care and their concerns.

With the end of the year rapidly approaching, Americans are gathering with family and friends to celebrate the holidays, to count their blessings. But from what I heard last weekend in Wyoming and on a telephone townhall meeting Monday night, very few people are thankful for the President's health care law.

I met yesterday with the Wyoming insurance commissioner. Fewer than 1,000 people have been able to sign up, but thousands have had their insurance canceled under the law. So many more people are suffering because of the law than people who are potentially able to benefit. This law was forced down the throats of the American people, supported unanimously by the Democrats in this body. It is continuing to disrupt people's lives and to cause them very real harm.

After a year of false starts and failures, what we have seen is that the