

(2) OMISSION TREATED AS MATHEMATICAL OR CLERICAL ERROR.—Subparagraph (I) of section 6213(g)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(I) an omission of a correct Social Security number required under section 24(d)(5) (relating to refundable portion of child tax credit), or a correct TIN under section 24(e) (relating to child tax credit), to be included on a return.”.

(3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (e) of section 24 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting “WITH RESPECT TO QUALIFYING CHILDREN” after “IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT” in the heading thereof.

(4) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this subsection shall apply to taxable years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

**SA 2601.** Ms. AYOTTE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3304, to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to Bennie G. Adkins and Donald P. Sloat of the United States Army for acts of valor during the Vietnam Conflict and to authorize the award of the Medal of Honor to certain other veterans who were previously recommended for award of the Medal of Honor; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle I of title X, add the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . REPEAL OF ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF RETIRED PAY FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES UNDER THE AGE OF 62.**

(a) REPEAL.—Effective immediately after the enactment of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013, section 403 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 is repealed.

(b) STANDARD UTILITY ALLOWANCES BASED ON THE RECEIPT OF ENERGY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS.—

(1) STANDARD UTILITY ALLOWANCE.—Section 5 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2014) is amended—

(A) in subsection (e)(6)(C), by striking clause (iv); and

(B) in subsection (k), by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the following:

“(4) THIRD PARTY ENERGY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS.—For purposes of subsection (d)(1), a payment made under a State law (other than a law referred to in paragraph (2)(G)) to provide energy assistance to a household shall be considered money payable directly to the household.”.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 2605(f)(2) of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 8624(f)(2)) is amended—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “and for purposes of determining any excess shelter expense deduction under section 5(e) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2014(e))”; and

(B) in subparagraph (A), by inserting before the semicolon at the end the following: “, except that such payments or allowances shall not be considered to be expended for purposes of determining any excess shelter expense deduction under section 5(e)(6) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2014(e)(6))”.

**SA 2602.** Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3304, to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to Bennie G. Adkins and Donald P. Sloat of the United States Army for

acts of valor during the Vietnam Conflict and to authorize the award of the Medal of Honor to certain other veterans who were previously recommended for award of the Medal of Honor; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . MEDALS FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WHO WERE KILLED OR WOUNDED IN AN ATTACK PERPETRATED BY A HOMETOWN VIOLENT EXTREMIST WHO WAS INSPIRED OR MOTIVATED BY A FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.**

(a) PURPLE HEART.—

(1) AWARD.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 57 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1129 the following new section:

**“§ 1129a. Purple Heart: members killed or wounded in attacks of hometown violent extremists motivated or inspired by foreign terrorist organizations**

“(a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of the award of the Purple Heart, the Secretary concerned shall treat a member of the armed forces described in subsection (b) in the same manner as a member who is killed or wounded as a result of an international terrorist attack against the United States.

“(b) COVERED MEMBERS.—A member described in this subsection is a member on active duty who was killed or wounded in an attack perpetrated by a hometown violent extremist who was inspired or motivated to engage in violent action by a foreign terrorist organization in circumstances where the death or wound is the result of an attack targeted on the member due to such member’s status as a member of the armed forces, unless the death or wound is the result of willful misconduct of the member.

“(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) The term ‘foreign terrorist organization’ means an entity designated as a foreign terrorist organization by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189).

“(2) The term ‘hometown violent extremist’ shall have the meaning given that term by the Secretary of Defense in regulations prescribed for purposes of this section.”.

(B) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 57 of such title is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1129 the following new item:

“1129a. Purple Heart: members killed or wounded in attacks of hometown violent extremists motivated or inspired by foreign terrorist organizations.”.

(2) RETROACTIVE EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICATION.—

(A) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by paragraph (1) shall take effect as of September 11, 2001.

(B) REVIEW OF CERTAIN PREVIOUS INCIDENTS.—The Secretaries concerned shall undertake a review of each death or wounding of a member of the Armed Forces that occurred between September 11, 2001, and the date of the enactment of this Act under circumstances that could qualify as being the result of the attack of a hometown violent extremist as described in section 1129a of title 10, United States Code (as added by paragraph (1)), to determine whether the death or wounding qualifies as a death or wounding resulting from a hometown violent extremist attack motivated or inspired by a foreign terrorist organization for purposes of the award of the Purple Heart pursuant to such section (as so added).

(C) ACTIONS FOLLOWING REVIEW.—If the death or wounding of a member of the Armed Forces reviewed under subparagraph (B) is determined to qualify as a death or wounding resulting from a hometown violent extremist attack motivated or inspired by a foreign terrorist organization as described in section 1129a of title 10, United States Code (as so added), the Secretary concerned shall take appropriate action under such section to award the Purple Heart to the member.

(D) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the term “Secretary concerned” has the meaning given that term in section 101(a)(9) of title 10, United States Code.

(b) SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEDAL FOR THE DEFENSE OF FREEDOM.—

(1) REVIEW OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2009 ATTACK AT FORT HOOD, TEXAS.—If the Secretary concerned determines, after a review under subsection (a)(2)(B) regarding the attack that occurred at Fort Hood, Texas, on November 5, 2009, that the death or wounding of any member of the Armed Forces in that attack qualified as a death or wounding resulting from a hometown violent extremist attack motivated or inspired by a foreign terrorist organization as described in section 1129a of title 10, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), the Secretary of Defense shall make a determination as to whether the death or wounding of any civilian employee of the Department of Defense or civilian contractor in the same attack meets the eligibility criteria for the award of the Secretary of Defense Medal for the Defense of Freedom.

(2) AWARD.—If the Secretary of Defense determines under paragraph (1) that the death or wounding of any civilian employee of the Department of Defense or civilian contractor in the attack that occurred at Fort Hood, Texas, on November 5, 2009, meets the eligibility criteria for the award of the Secretary of Defense Medal for the Defense of Freedom, the Secretary shall take appropriate action to award the Secretary of Defense Medal for the Defense of Freedom to the employee or contractor.

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2013, at 2:30 p.m. in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled, “What Information Do Data Brokers Have On Consumers, and How Do They Use It?”

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

### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2013, at 2:15 p.m.

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

### COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet

during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2013, in room SD-430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

#### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2013, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:30 p.m.

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

#### COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2013, at 2 p.m. in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a roundtable entitled "SBIR/STTR: Measuring the Effectiveness of the Reauthorization Act and Maximizing Research Dollars to America's Small Businesses."

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

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2013, at 10 a.m., to hold an East Asia and Pacific subcommittee hearing entitled "Rebalance to Asia IV: Economic Engagement in the Asia-Pacific Region."

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

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SECURITY, PENSIONS, AND FAMILY POLICY

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Social Security, Pensions, and Family Policy of the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2013, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Role of Social Security, Defined Benefits, and Private Retirement Accounts in the face of the Retirement Crisis."

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

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGING

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2013, to conduct a hearing entitled "the Future of Long-Term Care Policy: Continuing the Conversation."

The Committee will meet in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building beginning at 2:15 pm.

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

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. KING. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Deanna Wilbur be

granted the privilege of the floor for the purpose of being here during these remarks.

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

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that MAJ Bobby J. Cox, my defense fellow, be granted the privilege of the floor for the remainder of the week.

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

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Whitney Reitz, a State Department fellow in the office of Senator LANDRIEU, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the 113th Congress.

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

#### SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF AMERICAN DIABETES MONTH

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the HELP Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 316 and the Senate then proceed to its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 316) supporting the goals and ideals of American Diabetes Month.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. DURBIN. I further ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 316) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of December 10, 2013, under "Submitted Resolutions.")

#### RESPECTING THE TRAGIC SHOOTING AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Mr. DURBIN. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 324 submitted earlier today by Senator ROCKEFELLER.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 324) 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.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. DURBIN. I further ask unanimous consent that the resolution be

agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 324) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

#### APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and pursuant to Title 46, Section 1295 b(h), of the U.S. Code, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy: The Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), ex officio, as Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 194(a), as amended by Public Law 101-595, and upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy: The Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), ex officio, as Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation; and the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), reappoints and appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy: The Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET), designee of the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL), from the Committee on Appropriations.

The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a), appoints and reappoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy: The Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), designee of the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, and the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), from the Committee on Appropriations.

The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), reappoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy: The Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), from the Committee on Appropriations, and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), At Large.

The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to provisions of