

S. 23. An act to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2197. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 2077. A bill to provide for the extension of certain unemployment benefits, and for other purposes.

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2259. An act to withdraw certain Federal land and interests in that land from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under the mineral and geothermal leasing laws and to preserve existing uses.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 3370. An act to delay the implementation of certain provisions of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012, 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-4803. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting a report of draft legislation entitled "Federal Agriculture Mortgage Corporation Governance; Farmer Mac Corporate Governance and Standards of Conduct" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4804. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of seven (7) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4805. A communication from the General Counsel for Operations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 26, 2014; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4806. 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-4807. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Property Transferred in Connection with the Performance of Services under Section 83" ((RIN1545-BJ15) (TD 9659)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4808. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Price Inflation Adjustments for Passenger Automobiles First Placed in Service or Leased in 2014" (Rev. Proc. 2014-21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4809. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2014 Calendar Year Resident Population Figures" (Notice 2014-12) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4810. A communication from the Acting Director of the Directorate of Whistleblower Protection Program, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for Handling Retaliation Complaints Under Section 402 of the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act" (RIN1218-AC58) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 20, 2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4811. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ninety-Day Waiting Period Limitation and Technical Amendments to Certain Health Coverage Requirements Under the Affordable Care Act" (RIN1210-AB56) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4812. A communication from the Executive Analyst, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary for Children and Families (Family Support), Department of Health and Human Services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4813. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2013 Annual Report on FDA Advisory Committee Vacancies and Public Disclosures"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4814. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on FDA's Policy to be Proposed Regarding Premarket Notification Requirements for Modifications to Legally Marketed Devices"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4815. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, De-

partment of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Under Secretary for Management, Department of Homeland Security, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 26, 2014; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4816. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Audit of the Administration of District Funds to the D.C. Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4817. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Alfalone into Schedule IV" (Docket No. DEA-370) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2014; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4818. A communication from the President, Chief Scout Executive, and the National Commissioner, Boy Scouts of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, the organization's 2013 annual report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4819. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to eight legislative recommendations; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-4820. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Office of Government Contracting and Business Development, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2012 Fiscal Year Report to the U.S. Congress on Minority Small Business and Capital Ownership Development"; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-4821. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 20, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4822. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Appeals Office Rules of Procedure" (RIN0648-BA36) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4823. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Greater Than or Equal to 60 Feet Length Overall Using Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XD101) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4824. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XC464) received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4825. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Trip Limit Reduction" (RIN0648-XD078) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4826. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XD063) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4827. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Pot Catcher/Processors in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XD104) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4828. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Trip Limit Increase" (RIN0648-XD100) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4829. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Less Than 60 Feet (18.3 Meters) Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line or Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XD114) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Ms. CANTWELL for the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

*Maria Contreras-Sweet, of California, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN for the Select Committee on Intelligence.

Caroline Diane Krass, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.

John P. Carlin, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Francis Xavier Taylor, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security.

*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 Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 2078. A bill to prohibit Federal funding for motorcycle checkpoints, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 2079. A bill to establish a pilot program to hire individuals with alternative educational experience; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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

S. 2080. A bill to conserve fish and aquatic communities in the United States through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation, improve the quality of life for the people of the United States, enhance fish and wildlife-dependent recreation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 2081. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require notification of Congress by the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board regarding any violation of the Constitutional rights of taxpayers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mrs. FISCHER):

S. 2082. A bill to provide for the development of criteria under the Medicare program for medically necessary short inpatient hospital stays, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 2083. A bill to amend the Natural Gas Act to promote economic growth and job creation in the United States, to strengthen strategic partnerships with allies of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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

S. 2084. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to require the Secretary of the Interior to publish and make available for public comment a draft economic analysis at the time a proposed rule to designate critical habitat is published; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. FRANKEN, and Ms. BALDWIN):

S. 2085. A bill to address shortages and interruptions in the availability of propane and other home heating fuels in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. CORKER) (by request):

S.J. Res. 33. A joint resolution relating to the approval of the proposed Third Amendment to the Agreement for Co-operation Between the United States of America and the International Atomic Energy Agency; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. COATS (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. Res. 370. A resolution supporting the territorial integrity of Ukraine and condemning Russian military aggression in Ukraine; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 371. A resolution honoring the legacy of Jan Karski by designating April 24, 2014, as "Jan Karski Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. Res. 372. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the Secondary School Student Athletes' Bill of Rights; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BLUNT, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. Res. 373. A resolution recognizing the importance of biosecurity and agro-defense in the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 374. A resolution designating March 3, 2014, as "World Wildlife Day"; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 375. A resolution concerning the crisis in the Central African Republic and supporting United States and international efforts to end the violence, protect civilians, and address root causes of the conflict; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 114

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 114, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, with respect to certain exceptions to discharge in bankruptcy.

S. 192

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. FLAKE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 192, a bill to enhance the energy security of United States allies, and for other purposes.

S. 313

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 313, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 364

At the request of Mr. WALSH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 364, a bill to establish the Rocky Mountain Front Conservation Management