

amounts under section 501(e) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (20 U.S.C. 9271(e)) to reduce inefficiencies in the administration of federally-funded State and local employment and training programs.

(b) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the term “administrative costs” has the meaning given the term in section 101 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2801).

**SA 2638.** Mr. REID (for Mr. NELSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. Reid of NV to the resolution S. Res. 312, urging the Government of Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance in this case of Robert Levinson, one of the longest held United States civilians in our Nation’s history; as follows:

In the seventh whereas clause of the preamble, strike “and providing some initial indications that he was being held somewhere in southwest Asia”.

In the eighth whereas clause of the preamble, strike “further”.

**SA 2639.** Mr. REID (for Mr. NELSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. Reid of NV to the resolution S. Res. 312, 0; as follows:

Amend the title so as to read: “A resolution urging the Government of Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance in this case of Robert Levinson, one of the longest held United States civilians in our Nation’s history.”.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 9, 2014, at 10:15 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled “The Situation in Sudan.”

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

##### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 9, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

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

##### SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 9, 2014, at 2 p.m.

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

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Kevin Rosenbaum, detailee to the Senate Committee on Finance, and Stephanie Dearie, clerk to the Senate Committee on Finance, be granted floor privileges for the duration of the Congress.

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

#### CALLING ON IRAN FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE CASE OF ROBERT LEVINSON

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 271, S. Res. 312.

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

The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 312) calling on the government of Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance in this case of Robert Levinson, one of the longest held United States civilians in our Nation’s history.

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

Mr. REID. I further ask that the resolution be agreed to; the Nelson amendment to the preamble be agreed to; the preamble, as amended, be agreed to; the amendment to the title 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. 312) was agreed to.

The amendment (No. 2638) was agreed to as follows:

(Purpose: To make technical corrections in the preamble)

In the seventh whereas clause of the preamble, strike “and providing some initial indications that he was being held somewhere in southwest Asia”.

In the eighth whereas clause of the preamble, strike “further”.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

The amendment (No. 2639) was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: To amend the title)

Amend the title so as to read: “A resolution urging the Government of Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance in this case of Robert Levinson, one of the longest held United States civilians in our Nation’s history.”.

The resolution (S. Res. 312), with its preamble, as amended, and its title, as amended, reads as follows:

##### S. RES. 312

Whereas United States citizen Robert Levinson is a retired agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), a resident of Coral Springs, Florida, the husband of Christine Levinson, and father of their 7 children;

Whereas Robert Levinson traveled from Dubai to Kish Island, Iran, on March 8, 2007; Whereas after traveling to Kish Island and checking into the Hotel Maryam, Robert Levinson disappeared on March 9, 2007;

Whereas, in December 2007, Robert Levinson’s wife, Christine, traveled to Kish Island to retrace Mr. Levinson’s steps and met with officials of the Government of Iran who pledged to help in the investigation;

Whereas for more than 6 years, the United States Government has continually pressed the Government of Iran to provide any infor-

mation on the whereabouts of Robert Levinson and to help ensure his prompt and safe return to his family;

Whereas officials of the Government of Iran promised their continued assistance to the relatives of Robert Levinson during the visit of the family to the Islamic Republic of Iran in December 2007;

Whereas, in November 2010, the Levinson family received a video of Mr. Levinson in captivity, representing the first proof of life since his disappearance;

Whereas, in April 2011, the Levinson family received a series of pictures of Mr. Levinson, which provided indications that he was being held somewhere in southwest Asia;

Whereas Secretary John Kerry stated on August 28, 2013, “The United States respectfully asks the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to work cooperatively with us in our efforts to help U.S. citizen Robert Levinson.”;

Whereas, on September 28, 2013, during the first direct phone conversation between the leaders of the United States and Iran since 1979, President Barack Obama raised the case of Robert Levinson to President of Iran Hassan Rouhani and urged the President of Iran to help locate Mr. Levinson and reunite him with his family;

Whereas November 26, 2013, marked the 2,455th day since Mr. Levinson’s disappearance, making him one of the longest held United States civilians in our Nation’s history; and

Whereas the FBI has announced a \$1,000,000 reward for information leading to Mr. Levinson’s safe return: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes that Robert Levinson is one of the longest held United States civilians in our Nation’s history;

(2) notes recent pledges by newly appointed officials of the Government of Iran to provide their Government’s assistance in the case of Robert Levinson;

(3) urges the Government of Iran, as a humanitarian gesture, to intensify its cooperation on the case of Robert Levinson and to immediately share the results of its investigation into the disappearance of Robert Levinson with the United States Government;

(4) urges the President and the allies of the United States to continue to raise with officials of the Government of Iran the case of Robert Levinson at every opportunity, notwithstanding other serious disagreements the United States Government has had with the Government of Iran on a broad array of issues, including human rights, the nuclear program of Iran, the Middle East peace process, regional stability, and international terrorism; and

(5) expresses sympathy to the family of Robert Levinson for their anguish and expresses hope that their ordeal can be brought to an end in the near future.

#### UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—MANDATORY QUORUM CALL

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum required under rule XXII be waived with respect to the two cloture motions filed earlier today.

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

#### ORDERS FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2014

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate

completes its business today, it adjourn until Monday, January 13, 2014; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time of the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of S. 1845, the unemployment insurance extension; that the filing deadline for all first-degree amendments to S. 1845 be 3 p.m. Monday and the filing deadline for all second-degree amendments to the Reed amendment No. 2631 be 4:30 p.m. on Monday; further, that at 5 p.m. the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Robert Wilkins to be U.S. circuit judge for the DC Circuit, with the time until 5:30 p.m. equally divided and controlled in the usual form prior to a vote on confirmation of the nomination; finally, that following disposition of the Wilkins nomination, the Senate resume legislative session and proceed to vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Reed amendment No. 2631.

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

### PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, the next vote will be at 5:30 p.m. Monday, January 13, 2014, on the confirmation of the Wilkins nomination.

### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2014, AT 2 P.M.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:18 p.m., adjourned until Monday, January 13, 2014, at 2 p.m.

### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

SUZETTE M. KIMBALL, OF WEST VIRGINIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, VICE MARCIA K. MCNUTT, RESIGNED.

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DEBORAH L. BIRX, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AMBASSADOR AT LARGE AND COORDINATOR OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES TO COMBAT HIV/AIDS GLOBALLY.

#### BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

MICHAEL W. KEMPNER, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR A TERM EXPIRING AUGUST 13, 2015, VICE MICHAEL LYNTON, RESIGNED.

#### CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

HEIDI NEEL BIGGS, OF OREGON, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2017, VICE ERIC J. TANENBLATT, TERM EXPIRED.

#### DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

CHRISTOPHER P. LU, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF LABOR, VICE SETH DAVID HARRIS.

#### CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

WESTLEY WATENDE OMARI MOORE, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2016, VICE STAN Z. SOLOWAY, TERM EXPIRED.

#### FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED PERSONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS OF THE CLASSES STATED.

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE TO BE CONSULAR OFFICERS AND SECRETARIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

RANYA F. ABDELSAYED, OF VIRGINIA  
ANDREW KEKOA ABORDONADO, OF CALIFORNIA  
LAURA RENEE ALDRICH, OF VIRGINIA  
LAREN A. ANTONYAN, OF NEVADA  
DWAINE D. ATKINSON, OF VIRGINIA  
AZIZOU ATTEDUDUE, OF MASSACHUSETTS  
NICOLE R. BADEN, OF MARYLAND  
DANIEL F. BAKER, OF MICHIGAN  
CEDAR C. BALAZS, OF NORTH DAKOTA  
CLAIRE T. BEA, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
JESSICA LUCIA BEDOYA HERMANN, OF VIRGINIA  
KAREN D. BETTENCOURT, OF CALIFORNIA  
CHARLES C. CALVO, OF VIRGINIA  
ROSS STEVENSON CAMPBELL, OF VIRGINIA  
KATIE CAPRULA, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
BENJAMIN B. CHAPMAN, OF MARYLAND  
HEATHER MICHELLE CLASE, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MEGAN P. CHEN, OF ILLINOIS  
JOHN T. CHENG, OF MASSACHUSETTS  
GLORIA CHOU, OF CALIFORNIA  
GRACE ELLEN CHUNG, OF WASHINGTON  
JILLION MATHIAS COOPER, OF MASSACHUSETTS  
COLIN MALLOY GRAM, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COLLEEN E. DE BERNARDO, OF VIRGINIA  
JACQUELINE A. DE OLIVEIRA, OF VIRGINIA  
EDUARD DEHELEAN, OF ILLINOIS  
BERNARDO A. DIAZ, OF MASSACHUSETTS  
BROOKS W. DIEHL, OF VIRGINIA  
EMILY CHRISTINE DIGNAN, OF FLORIDA  
CHELSI L. DILDINE, OF VIRGINIA  
CHRISTINE M. EICHINGER, OF ILLINOIS  
CAROLINA ESCALERA, OF FLORIDA  
REBECCA ELIZABETH FARMER, OF WASHINGTON  
SORIBEL L. FELIZ, OF NEW YORK  
BOLTON XAVIER FORD, OF VIRGINIA  
CRAIG M. FRIED, OF VIRGINIA  
KYLE PATRICK FRITSCHLE, OF VIRGINIA  
BART L. GEWERTZ, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
CHRISTOPHER GIDDEON GRANGER, OF CONNECTICUT  
ERIC W. GROFF, OF WASHINGTON  
ALEXANDER CHARLES GUITTARD, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
JULIAN ANDREACCHI HADAS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
CHARLES NORMAN HALL, OF MASSACHUSETTS  
JOSEPH H. HART, OF PENNSYLVANIA  
ZACHARY A. HAUZEN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
AMANDA R. HECKER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
MARIE SUZANNE HEGLUND, OF VIRGINIA  
MASON BENJAMIN HOROWITZ, OF ILLINOIS  
JENNIFER HOYLE, OF VIRGINIA  
STEPHEN E. HUNEKE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
GRANT HUNTER, OF MISSISSIPPI  
KATE ERIN HUSBAND, OF MICHIGAN  
MARK GEORGE JACKSON, OF MASSACHUSETTS  
ARIEL ROSE JAHNER, OF CALIFORNIA  
ESTHER B-H JOE, OF CALIFORNIA  
CHRISTOPHER DAVID JOHNSON, OF NEW YORK  
KEVIN PAUL KETCHUM, OF TEXAS  
JUSTIN ANDREW KING, OF VIRGINIA  
JOHN-MARSHALL KLEIN, OF VIRGINIA  
ANNE MARIE ESTROSAS LEE, OF FLORIDA  
SU LEE, OF VIRGINIA  
STEPHANIE LELLA, OF NEW YORK  
ADAM MIGUEL LEVY, OF MASSACHUSETTS  
KYLE JOSEPH PATRICK LISTON, OF OHIO  
LISA A. LUDKA, OF VIRGINIA  
ANGELO MILO MAESTAS, OF WASHINGTON  
MARK ROBERT MALONEY, OF VIRGINIA  
CARA M. MAQSODI, OF VIRGINIA  
ERICA M. MARRERO, OF VIRGINIA  
SHIVA ALIM MARVASTI, OF CONNECTICUT  
JONATHAN MATZNER, OF VIRGINIA  
CATILIN ELIZABETH MAXWELL, OF VIRGINIA  
CATHLEEN E. McDONALD, OF WASHINGTON  
TIMOTHY JAMES MCKENZIE, OF VIRGINIA  
BRADLEY MEACHAM, OF WASHINGTON  
JACOB DANIEL MECUM, OF OREGON  
TERESA MILENKOVIC, OF VIRGINIA  
RHETT MOBLEY, OF FLORIDA  
THERESA MUSACCHIO, OF ILLINOIS  
ADMIR MUZUROVIC, OF VIRGINIA  
NAUREEN M. NALLIA, OF CALIFORNIA  
MARY ELIZABETH NAMETH, OF MICHIGAN  
ASHKAN NASSABI, OF MICHIGAN  
DEBRA NEGRO, OF VIRGINIA  
EUGENE NOVIKOV, OF PENNSYLVANIA  
CHUKWUDI NWADIBIA, OF CALIFORNIA  
JUAN A. ORTIZ MARQUEZ, OF VIRGINIA  
CONNOR O'STEEN, OF WASHINGTON  
STEPHANIE KATHRYN PARENTI-GIORDANO, OF FLORIDA

ANGELA KERRI PARHAM, OF VIRGINIA  
ACHAEL NGUYEN PARRISH, OF MARYLAND  
MEAGHAN H. PATRICK, OF VIRGINIA  
MALALY PKAR VOLPI, OF VIRGINIA  
SANDRA VALERIA PIZARRO, OF IDAHO  
AARON HURLEY PRATT, OF MINNESOTA  
MELISSA FISHER RANN, OF ILLINOIS  
ANTHONY MARK READ, OF NEW YORK  
ALEXANDRA RISTOVIC, OF WEST VIRGINIA  
JOHN D. ROBERTS, OF MARYLAND  
LAUREN ROBERTS, OF VIRGINIA  
NICHOLAS ROBERT ROSSMANN, OF VIRGINIA

MEREDITH LEIGH SANDERSON, OF VIRGINIA  
KATRINA J. SENGGER, OF VIRGINIA  
MOIRA K. SHANAHAN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
GRACE A. SHUGRUE, OF VIRGINIA  
SAMARA LAKEIDRA ANNESE SIMMONS, OF NEW YORK  
ERIC J. SKARPAC, OF MARYLAND  
TABITHA JANETTE SNOWERBERGER, OF TENNESSEE  
ROBERT D. SOLES, OF VIRGINIA  
DANIEL BRENT STONE, OF VIRGINIA  
BRYAN STRAUB, OF OHIO  
MIKA STRICKLER, OF LOUISIANA  
KEVIN J. SU, OF VIRGINIA  
JORDAN DAVID SUN, OF VIRGINIA  
JACOB DAWES STARNES SURFACE, OF INDIANA  
SARAH A. TERRY, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
EMILY TIETZ, OF TEXAS  
SAMUEL D. TOOTLE, OF VIRGINIA  
DANIEL GARRISON TOWNE, OF VERMONT  
SEVAK TSATURYAN, OF CALIFORNIA  
GEORGE M. TUCKER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
SARAH MELISSA VAN HORNE, OF CALIFORNIA  
SUSAN R. VAN WAES, OF VIRGINIA  
DUNCAN T. VARDA, OF VIRGINIA  
JOHN VOLKOFF, OF MARYLAND  
LILA F. WADE, OF OREGON  
IDASHLA KANE WAGNER, OF VIRGINIA  
COURTNEY M. WALTON, OF ILLINOIS  
MATTHEW A. WARD, OF UTAH  
MARC A. WHITAKER, OF CALIFORNIA  
JEANELLE L. WICKS, OF ARIZONA  
LISA MARIE WOOD, OF NEW JERSEY  
ANGIE ZEIDAN, OF VIRGINIA  
FIRENO F. ZORA, OF VIRGINIA

#### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

#### To be brigadier general

COLONEL DENNIS J. GALLEGOS  
COLONEL DAVID D. HAMLAR, JR.  
COLONEL JOHN S. TUOHY

THE FOLLOWING AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

#### To be brigadier general

COLONEL PAUL D. JACOBS  
COLONEL TIMOTHY P. O'BRIEN  
COLONEL ANDREW E. SALAS

THE FOLLOWING AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

#### To be major general

BRIGADIER GENERAL JON K. KELK  
BRIGADIER GENERAL CASSIE A. STROM  
BRIGADIER GENERAL KENNETH W. WISLAN

THE FOLLOWING AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

#### To be major general

BRIGADIER GENERAL DARYL L. BOHAC  
BRIGADIER GENERAL ROBERT M. BRANYON  
BRIGADIER GENERAL MICHAEL B. COMPTON  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JAMES E. DANIEL, JR.  
BRIGADIER GENERAL MATTHEW J. DZIALO  
BRIGADIER GENERAL RICHARD N. HARRIS, JR.  
BRIGADIER GENERAL WORTHIE S. HOLT, JR.  
BRIGADIER GENERAL GARY W. KEEFE  
BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID T. KELLY  
BRIGADIER GENERAL DONALD A. MCGREGOR  
BRIGADIER GENERAL ROBERT L. SHANNON, JR.  
BRIGADIER GENERAL ROBERT S. WILLIAMS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

#### To be major general

BRIGADIER GENERAL CHRISTOPHER J. BENICE  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JACK L. BRIGGS II  
BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID J. BUCK  
BRIGADIER GENERAL THOMAS A. BUSSIÈRE  
BRIGADIER GENERAL STEPHEN A. CLARK  
BRIGADIER GENERAL STEPHEN T. DENKER  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN L. DOLAN  
BRIGADIER GENERAL MICHAEL E. FORTNEY  
BRIGADIER GENERAL PETER E. GERSTEN  
BRIGADIER GENERAL GINA M. GROSSO  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JERRY D. HARRIS, JR.  
BRIGADIER GENERAL DARYL J. HAUCK  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN M. HICKS  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN P. HORNER  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JAMES R. MARRS  
BRIGADIER GENERAL LAWRENCE M. MARTIN, JR.  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN K. MCMULLEN  
BRIGADIER GENERAL BRADFORD J. SHWEDO  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JAY B. SILVERIA  
BRIGADIER GENERAL LINDA R. URRUTIA-VARHALL  
BRIGADIER GENERAL JACQUELINE D. VAN OVOST  
BRIGADIER GENERAL MARK W. WESTERGREEN

#### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601: