

“(G) portfolio assessments that describe the optimal deployment of resources, including prioritizing financial resources for energy programs;

“(H) a mapping of the linkages among basic research and applied programs, demonstration programs, and other innovation mechanisms across the Federal agencies;

“(I) an identification of, and projections for, demonstration projects, including timeframes, milestones, sources of funding, and management;

“(J) an identification of public and private funding needs for various energy technologies, systems, and infrastructure, including consideration of public-private partnerships, loans, and loan guarantees;

“(K) an assessment of global competitors and an identification of programs that can be enhanced with international cooperation;

“(L) an identification of policy gaps that need to be filled to accelerate the adoption and diffusion of energy technologies, including consideration of—

“(i) Federal tax policies; and

“(ii) the role of Federal agencies as early adopters and purchasers of new energy technologies;

“(M) a priority list for implementation of objectives and actions taking into account estimated Federal budgetary resources;

“(N) an analysis of—

“(i) points of maximum leverage for policy intervention to achieve outcomes; and

“(ii) areas of energy policy that can be most effective in meeting national goals for the energy sector; and

“(O) recommendations for executive branch organization changes to facilitate the development and implementation of Federal energy policies.

“(e) INTERIM REPORTS.—The President may prepare and publish interim reports as part of the Quadrennial Energy Review.

“(f) EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy shall provide the Quadrennial Energy Review with an Executive Secretariat who shall make available the necessary analytical, financial, and administrative support for the conduct of each Quadrennial Energy Review required under this section.

“(2) COOPERATION.—The heads of applicable Federal agencies shall cooperate with the Secretary and provide such assistance, information, and resources as the Secretary may require to assist in carrying out this section.”.

(c) ADMINISTRATION.—Nothing in this section or an amendment made by this section supersedes, modifies, amends, or repeals any provision of Federal law not expressly superseded, modified, amended, or repealed by this section.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014, at 9 a.m. in room SR-328A of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “2014 Farm Bill: Implementation and Next Steps.”

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014, at 2:30 p.m. in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Surface Transportation Reauthorization: Progress, Challenges, and Next Steps.”

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

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:30 p.m.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC POLICY

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Policy be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014 at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “Drivers of Job Creation.”

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

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014, in room SD-562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building at 2:15 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled “The Fight Against Cancer: Challenges, Progress, and Promise.”

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Dr. Sydney Kaufman, a fellow from the American Association for the Advancement of Science, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the 113th Congress.

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

KILAH DAVENPORT CHILD PROTECTION ACT OF 2013

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3627 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

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

The clerk will report the bill by title. The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3627) to require the Attorney General to report on State law penalties for certain child abusers, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be

read a third time and passed and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (H.R. 3627) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 2824 AND H.R. 3826

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I understand that there are two bills at the desk, and I ask for their first reading en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bills by title for the first time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2824) to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to stop the ongoing waste by the Department of the Interior of taxpayer resources and implement the final rule on excess spoil, mining waste, and buffers for perennial and intermittent streams, and for other purposes.

A bill (H.R. 3826) to provide direction to the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency regarding the establishment of standards for emissions of any greenhouse gas from fossil fuel-fired electric utility generating units, and for other purposes.

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I now ask for a second reading, and I object to my own request, all en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bills will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

REMOVAL OF INJUNCTION OF SECRECY—TREATY DOCUMENT NO. 113-4

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the injunction of secrecy be removed from the following treaty transmitted to the Senate on May 7, 2014, by the President of the United States: the Protocol Amending the Tax Convention with Spain, treaty document No. 113-4.

I further ask that the treaty be considered as having been read for the first time; that it be referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed; and that the President's message be printed in the RECORD.

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

The message of the President is as follows:

To the Senate of the United States:

I transmit herewith, for the advice and consent of the Senate to its ratification, the Protocol Amending the Convention between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and its Protocol, signed at Madrid on February 22, 1990, and a related Memorandum of Understanding signed on

January 14, 2013, at Madrid, together with correcting notes dated July 23, 2013, and January 31, 2014 (together the "proposed protocol"). I also transmit for the information of the Senate the report of the Department of State, which includes an overview of the proposed protocol.

The proposed protocol was negotiated to bring United States-Spain tax treaty relations into closer conformity with U.S. tax treaty policy. The proposed protocol exempts from source-country withholding cross-border payments of certain direct dividends, interest, royalties, and capital gains, and updates the provisions of the existing convention with respect to preventing abuse by third-country investors and the exchanges of information between revenue authorities. The proposed protocol also updates the mutual agreement procedure by requiring binding arbitration of certain cases that the competent authorities of the United States and Spain have been unable to resolve after a reasonable period of time.

I recommend the Senate give early and favorable consideration to the proposed protocol and give its advice and consent to its ratification.

BARACK OBAMA,
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 7, 2014.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2014

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 8, 2014; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the time until 11:15 be equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees; that at 11:15 a.m. the Senate proceed to executive session under the previous order; further, that the cloture vote with respect to S. 2262, the Energy Savings and Industrial Competitiveness Act, occur upon disposition of Executive Calendar No. 4560 on Monday, May 12; finally, that the filing deadline for all first-degree amendments to S. 2262 be 1 p.m. tomorrow.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, tomorrow there will be a series of votes at 11:15 a.m. and another series at 1:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. SCHATZ. 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 7:40 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

IN THE AIR FORCE

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

To be colonel

CHRISTINE R. BERBERICK
MIMI CANNONIER
LISA M. COLE
LISA A. DAVISON
KRISTA L. DIXON
COLLEEN M. FROHLING
LOUIS A. GALLO
CHERRON R. GALLUZZO
ANDREA K. GOODEN
ROSEMARY T. HALEY
MICHELIN Y. JOPLIN
MARIA L. MARCANGELO
BRENDA J. MORGAN
ROBYN D. NELSON
CHRISTOPHER T. PAIGE
KAREN J. RADER
IMELDA M. REEDY
AVEN L. STRAND
THEODORE J. WALKER, JR.
DEEDRA L. ZABOKRTSKY

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

To be colonel

KENNETH G. CROOKS
KELVIN G. GARDNER
RANDALL E. KITCHENS
RICHARD P. NOVOTNY
DAVID M. TERRINONI
JAMES D. TIMS

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

To be colonel

JOHN T. AALBORG, JR.
TERRENCE A. ADAMS
TIMOTHY W. ALBRECHT
CLIFFORD G. ALTIZER
CHRISTOPHER R. AMRHEIN
BRET D. ANDERSON
JAMES C. ANDERSON
MICHAEL P. ANDERSON
THOMAS P. J. ANGELO
RONJON ANNABALLI
BRIAN S. ARMSTRONG
WILLIAM B. ASHWORTH
MATTHEW D. ATKINS
TIMOTHY D. BAILEY
JARVIS R. BAKER
THOMAS E. BARNETT
MARK A. BARREIRA
SHANE A. BARRETT
CURTIS R. BASS
BRIAN MARC BEAMANN
MICHAEL J. BEACH
W. B. BEAUMONT
KENYON K. BELL
WILLIAM S. BELL
MATTHEW P. BENIVEGNA
CHRISTOPHER L. BENNETT
EARL R. BENNETT, JR.
SHERI G. BENNINGTON
JOSEPH T. BENSON
JON F. BERRY
MICHAEL D. BIORN
ARNO J. BISCHOFF
DAVID M. BISSENETTE
HEATHER W. BLACKWELL
JONATHAN N. BLAND
MARK E. BLOMME
JASON J. BOCK
HARLIE J. BODINE
JEREMY S. BOENISCH
BRIAN J. BOHNEK
JUSTIN W. BOLDENOW
PETER M. BONETTI
RANDY L. BOSWELL
WILLIAM D. BOWMAN
SHAWN P. BRADY
BRADLEY E. BRIDGES
STEPHEN R. BROOKS
PATRICK A. BROWN
WILLIAM W. BROWNE III
WILLIAM D. BRYANT
BRIAN D. BURNS
SCOTT A. CAIN
KIM N. CAMPBELL
SEAN J. CANTRELL
LARRY D. CARD II
ERIC A. CARNEY
TRENT R. CARPENTER
DOUGLAS T. CARROLL
JENISE M. CARROLL

BURTON H. CATLEDGE
RHETT D. CHAMPAGNE
JENNIFER V. CHANDLER
ERIC D. CHAPITAL
MICHAEL A. CHARECKY
GEORGE T. CLARK
LANCE D. CLARK
JOHN C. CLAXTON
BRADLEY L. COCHRAN
OMAR S. COLBERT
RICHARD O. COLE
RICHARD T. COONEY, JR.
DENISE L. COOPER
JEFFREY T. COOPER
ROBERT B. COPES
CHRISTOPHER L. CORLEY
HEIDI E. CORNELL
CAVAN K. CRADDOCK
RYAN B. CRAYCRAFT
LUKE C. G. CROUSEY
FRED R. CUNNINGHAM
SCOVILL W. CURRIN
JAMES M. CURRY
JOHN W. DABERKOW
KIMBERLY A. DAMALAS
BRIAN K. DANIELS
LELAND A. DAVIS
MARK J. DAVIS
ROBERT D. DAVIS
CHRISTOPHER J. DEJESUS
JOHN M. DESTAZIO
STAN S. DIAMANTI
BARRY A. DICKEY
SCOTT A. DICKSON
ROBERT A. DIETRICK
GERALD A. DONOHUE
TIMOTHY E. DREIFKE
LYLE K. DREW
SHANNON N. DRISCOLL
DANIEL J. DUFFY
JEFFREY W. DYBALL
DAVID S. EAGLIN
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JASON S. EDELLUTE
NATHAN J. ELLIOTT
ERIC G. ELLMYER
OSCAR E. ESPINOZA
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WILLIAM D. FISCHER
MICHAEL J. FLATTEN
LARRY A. FLOYD, JR.
WILLIAM A. FOSTER
SETH C. FRANK
STEPHEN P. FRANK
TIMOTHY P. FRANZ
LORINDA A. FREDERICK
ROBERT C. FREDERIKSEN
WILLIAM C. FREEMAN
MATTHEW T. FRITZ
JOHN T. GABRIEL
CHARLES S. GALBREATH
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CHARLES M. GAONA
ELVERT L. GARDNER
RUSSELL S. GARNER
LAURA K. GARRETT
JOEL W. GARTNER
THOMAS A. GEISER
TIMOTHY W. GILLASPIE
TIMOTHY TODD ALA GILLESPIE
GREGORY M. GILLINGER
DOUGLAS W. GILPIN
AARON W. GITTNER
GERARD G. GLECKEL, JR.
JOHN M. GONDOL
RICHARD E. GOODMAN II
LASHECO B. GRAHAM
JENNIFER L. GRANT
MICHAEL R. GREEN
MATT E. GREENE
JAMES S. GRIFFIN
BRENT A. GROMETER
JULIE A. GRUNDAHL
DARREN L. HALL
JONATHAN T. HAMILL
MICHAEL T. HAMMOND
MICHAEL D. HARM
CHRISTOPHER HARRIS
TROY R. HARTING
CHAD JAMES HARTMAN
BRADY P. HAUBOLDT
STEVEN R. HEFFINGTON
PHILLIP L. HENDRIX II
MARK D. HENRY
BRUCE F. HESELTINE, JR.
JUSTIN L. HICKMAN
MATTHEW W. HIGER
BRANDON R. HILEMAN
WILLIAM R. HILL II
JASON T. HINDS
STEPHEN L. HODGE
JUSTIN R. HOFFMAN
KELLY R. HOLBERT
MICHAEL D. HOLLIDAY
CRAIG M. HOLLIS
DAVID W. HONCHUL
STEVEN P. HORTON
EDWARD J. HOSPODAR, JR.
JOHN O. HOWARD
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STACY J. HUSER
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