

SEC. 2. LOAN FORGIVENESS FOR ADJUNCT FACULTY.

Section 455(m)(3)(B)(ii) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087e(m)(3)(B)(ii)) is amended—

(1) by striking “teaching as” and inserting the following: “teaching—

“(I) as”;

(2) by striking “, foreign language faculty, and part-time faculty at community colleges, as determined by the Secretary,” and inserting “and foreign language faculty), as determined by the Secretary; or”;

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(II) as a part-time faculty member or instructor who—

“(aa) teaches not less than 1 course at an institution of higher education (as defined in section 101(a)), a postsecondary vocational institution (as defined in section 102(c)), or a Tribal College or University (as defined in section 316(b)); and

“(bb) is not employed on a full-time basis by any other employer.”.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 529—RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES AND COMMENDING ITS MEMBERS FOR THEIR COURAGE AND SACRIFICE IN SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES

Mr. TOOMEY submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 529

Whereas on September 17, 1914, members of the American Veterans of Foreign Service and the National Society of the Army of the Philippines merged their organizations and voted in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to adopt the name “Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States”;

Whereas the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States remains active in communities at the international, national, State, and local levels with more than 2,000,000 members;

Whereas the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States provides financial, social, and emotional support to members of the Armed forces, veterans, and their dependents throughout the United States;

Whereas the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States works on behalf of service members of the United States by calling on Congress for better health care and benefits for veterans;

Whereas the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States annually donates more than 13,000,000 volunteer hours of community service; and

Whereas the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has played an instrumental role in each significant veterans legislation passed since its founding and continues to play such a role: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States on its 100th anniversary as a national organization with a mission to—

(A) foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts;

(B) serve veterans, the military, and communities across the United States; and

(C) advocate on behalf of all veterans;

(2) commends the members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States for

their courage and sacrifice in service to the United States; and

(3) encourages all individuals of the United States to express their appreciation for the honor, courage, and bravery of United States veterans and for the service of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 530—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE ON THE CURRENT SITUATION IN IRAQ AND THE URGENT NEED TO PROTECT RELIGIOUS MINORITIES FROM PERSECUTION FROM THE SUNNI ISLAMIST INSURGENT AND TERRORIST GROUP THE ISLAMIC STATE, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND THE LEVANT (ISIL), AS IT EXPANDS ITS CONTROL OVER AREAS IN NORTHWESTERN IRAQ

Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNIS, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. THUNE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. VITTER, and Ms. AYOTTE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 530

Whereas Iraq is currently embroiled in a surge of violence arising from an Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL)-led offensive that began in Anbar province and has spread to key locations such as Mosul, Tikrit, and Samarra and continues to engulf the region in violence and instability;

Whereas, on June 29, 2014, ISIL leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi renamed the group the Islamic State and pronounced himself Caliph of a new Islamic Caliphate encompassing the areas under his control, and Mr. al-Baghdadi has a stated mission of spreading the Islamic State and caliphate across the region through violence against Shiites, non-Muslims, and unsupportive Sunnis;

Whereas Iraq's population is approximately 31,300,000 people, with 97 percent identifying themselves as Muslim and the approximately 3 percent of religious minorities groups comprising of Christians, Yezidis, Sabean-Mandaeans, Bahais, Shabaks, Kakais, and Jews;

Whereas the Iraqi Christian population is estimated to be between 400,000 and 850,000, with two-thirds being Chaldean, one-fifth Assyrian, and the remainder consisting of Syrians, Protestants, Armenians, and Anglicans;

Whereas the Iraqi constitution provides for religious freedom by stating that “no law may be enacted that contradicts the principles of democracy,” “no law may be enacted that contradicts the rights and basic freedoms stipulated in this Constitution,” and “[this Constitution] guarantees the full religious rights to freedom of religious belief and practice of all individuals such as Christians, Yazidis, and Mandaean Sabaeans”;

Whereas over 1,000,000 people have been displaced by violence in Iraq, and reports have

surfaced of targeted harassment, persecution, and killings of Iraqi religious minorities by the Islamic State with little to no protection from the Government of Iraq and other security forces;

Whereas the fall of Mosul in particular has sparked enough anxiety among the Christian population that, for the first time in 1,600 years, there was no Mass in that city;

Whereas over 50 percent of Iraq's Christian population has fled since the fall of Saddam Hussein, and the government under Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki has not upheld its commitment to protect the rights of religious minorities;

Whereas the United States Government has provided over \$73,000,000 of cumulative assistance to Iraq's minority populations since 2003 through economic development, humanitarian services, and capacity development;

Whereas 84,902 Iraqis have resettled to the United States between 2007 and 2013 and over 300,000 Chaldean and Assyrians currently reside throughout the country, particularly in Michigan, California, Arizona, Illinois, and Ohio; and

Whereas President Barack Obama recently declared on Religious Freedom Day, “Foremost among the rights Americans hold sacred is the freedom to worship as we choose . . . we also remember that religious liberty is not just an American right; it is a universal human right to be protected here at home and across the globe. This freedom is an essential part of human dignity, and without it our world cannot know lasting peace”: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) reaffirms its commitment to promoting and protecting religious freedom around the world and providing relief to minority groups facing persecution;

(2) calls on the Department of State to work with the Kurdistan Regional Government, the Government of Iraq, neighboring countries, the diaspora community in the United States, and other key stakeholders to help secure safe havens for those seeking safety and protection from religious persecution in Iraq;

(3) respectfully requests the addition of a Special Representative for Religious Minorities to be included in Iraq's government; and

(4) urges the President to ensure the timely processing of visas for Iraq's minority groups fleeing religious persecution, in accordance with existing United States immigration law and national security screening procedures.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 3706. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2410, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2015 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3707. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3708. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3709. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3710. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her

to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3711. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3712. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3713. Mr. BEGICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3714. Mr. BEGICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3715. Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WARNER, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3716. Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. FLAKE, and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2648, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3717. Mr. RISCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2410, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2015 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3718. Mr. RISCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2410, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3719. Mr. WICKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2648, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3720. Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VITTER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LEE, Mr. JOHANNIS, and Mr. BOOZMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2648, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3721. Mr. WHITEHOUSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2410, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2015 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3722. Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. HELLER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2648, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 3706. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2410, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2015 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

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

SEC. 1087. REPORT ON POW/MIA POLICIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on policies and proposals for providing access to information and documents to the next of kin of missing service personnel, including under chapter 76 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 911.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include the following elements:

(1) A description of information and documents to be provided to the next of kin, including the status of recovery efforts and service records.

(2) A description of the Department's plans, if any, to review the classification status of records related to past covered conflicts and missing service personnel.

(3) An assessment of whether it is feasible and advisable to develop a public interface for any database of missing personnel being developed.

SA 3707. Mrs. McCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2410, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2015 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 846. PROGRAM FRAUD CIVIL REMEDIES STATUTE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to provide the Secretary of Defense and the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration with an effective administrative remedy to obtain recompense for the Department of Defense and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for losses resulting from the submission to the Department or the Administration, respectively, of false, fictitious, or fraudulent claims and statements.

(b) PROGRAM FRAUD CIVIL REMEDIES.—(1) IN GENERAL.—Part IV of subtitle A of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after chapter 163 the following new chapter:

“CHAPTER 164—ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES FOR FALSE CLAIMS AND STATEMENTS

“Sec.

“2751. Applicability of chapter; definitions.

“2752. False claims and statements; liability.

“2753. Hearing and determinations.

“2754. Payment; interest on late payments.

“2755. Judicial review.

“2756. Collection of civil penalties and assessments.

“2757. Right to administrative offset.

“2758. Limitations.

“2759. Effect on other laws.

“2751. Applicability of chapter; definitions.

“§ 2751. Applicability of chapter; definitions

“(a) APPLICABILITY OF CHAPTER.—This chapter applies to the following agencies:

“(1) The Department of Defense.

“(2) The National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

“(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this chapter:

“(1) HEAD OF AN AGENCY.—The term ‘head of an agency’ means the Secretary of Defense

and the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

“(2) CLAIM.—The term ‘claim’ means any request, demand, or submission—

“(A) made to the head of an agency for property, services, or money (including money representing grants, loans, insurance, or benefits);

“(B) made to a recipient of property, services, or money received directly or indirectly from the head of an agency or to a party to a contract with the head of an agency—

“(i) for property or services if the United States—

“(I) provided such property or services;

“(II) provided any portion of the funds for the purchase of such property or services; or

“(III) will reimburse such recipient or party for the purchase of such property or services; or

“(ii) for the payment of money (including money representing grants, loans, insurance, or benefits) if the United States—

“(I) provided any portion of the money requested or demanded; or

“(II) will reimburse such recipient or party for any portion of the money paid on such request or demand; or

“(C) made to the head of an agency which has the effect of decreasing an obligation to pay or account for property, services, or money.

“(3) KNOWS OR HAS REASON TO KNOW.—The term ‘knows or has reason to know’, for purposes of establishing liability under section 2752 of this title, means that a person, with respect to a claim or statement—

“(A) has actual knowledge that the claim or statement is false, fictitious, or fraudulent;

“(B) acts in deliberate ignorance of the truth or falsity of the claim or statement; or

“(C) acts in reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the claim or statement, and no proof of specific intent to defraud is required.

“(4) RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL.—The term ‘responsible official’ means a designated debarring and suspending official of the agency named in subsection (a).

“(5) RESPONDENT.—The term ‘respondent’ means a person who has received notice from a responsible official asserting liability under section 2752 of this title.

“(6) STATEMENT.—The term ‘statement’ means any representation, certification, affirmation, document, record, or an accounting or bookkeeping entry made—

“(A) with respect to a claim or to obtain the approval or payment of a claim (including relating to eligibility to make a claim); or

“(B) with respect to (including relating to eligibility for)—

“(i) a contract with, or a bid or proposal for a contract with, the head of an agency; or

“(ii) a grant, loan, or benefit from the head of an agency.

“(c) CLAIMS.—For purposes of paragraph (2) of subsection (b)—

“(1) each voucher, invoice, claim form, or other individual request or demand for property, services, or money constitutes a separate claim;

“(2) each claim for property, services, or money is subject to this chapter regardless of whether such property, services, or money is actually delivered or paid; and

“(3) a claim shall be considered made, presented, or submitted to the head of an agency, recipient, or party when such claim is actually made to an agent, fiscal intermediary, or other entity acting for or on behalf of such authority, recipient, or party.

“(d) STATEMENTS.—For purposes of paragraph (6) of subsection (b)—