

(Mrs. GILLIBRAND) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) were added as cosponsors of S. 1148, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the distribution of additional residency positions, and for other purposes.

S. 1188

At the request of Mrs. ERNST, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1188, a bill to provide for a temporary, emergency authorization of defense articles, defense services, and related training directly to the Kurdistan Regional Government, and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 4

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 4, a concurrent resolution supporting the Local Radio Freedom Act.

S. RES. 143

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 143, a resolution supporting efforts to ensure that students have access to debt-free higher education.

S. RES. 168

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) and the Senator from North Dakota (Ms. HEITKAMP) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 168, a resolution recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges of children in the foster care system, and encouraging Congress to implement policy to improve the lives of children in the foster care system.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 174—RECOGNIZING MAY 2015 AS “JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH” AND HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF JEWISH AMERICANS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mr. CASSIDY (for himself, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. INHOFE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 174

Whereas in May of each year, people across the United States recognize and celebrate over 350 years of Jewish contributions to the United States through recognizing Jewish American Heritage Month;

Whereas Congress has a decades-long tradition of officially recognizing Jewish American heritage.

Whereas, in the words of President Ronald Reagan, “[a]t this time of year, it is appropriate for all Americans to acknowledge how much our country has benefited from the contributions of American Jews”;

Whereas May has been designated Jewish American Heritage Month since 2006;

Whereas the United States has always been a nation built on the achievements of immigrants, and Jewish Americans have strengthened the society of the United States and contributed significantly to all areas of life in the United States since the time when Jewish immigrants first arrived on the shores of the United States;

Whereas the success of Jewish Americans is a reminder of the gift of religious freedom and the importance of strong commitment to community and faith;

Whereas 2015 is the 70th anniversary of the end of the Holocaust and honoring the survivors of the Holocaust and their remarkable stories is more important than ever;

Whereas much work has been done in diverse cities such as New York to foster transformational social change and unite people of every racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious background; and

Whereas countless Jewish Americans and Jewish organizations have enriched the society of the United States and shaped this great country, including—

(1) a Czechoslovakian immigrant who survived the Holocaust as a small child, authored an inspiring story of her survival, *A Candle in the Heart*, and has devoted her life to telling her story to make the world a better place and stop hatred;

(2) Jewish Americans who fight for justice on behalf of those least able to defend themselves;

(3) Jewish Americans who are devoted to advancing civil rights for all people of the United States and promoting intercultural understanding;

(4) a Bukharian Chief Rabbi who came to the United States as a young immigrant and worked to build the Bukharian American community from a small group into a vast community of over 65,000 members, many of whom immigrated to the United States seeking a better life free from oppression; and

(5) Aish HaTorah International, the largest Jewish outreach organization of its kind in the world, which demonstrates that in the United States, people may freely connect with their culture and religious heritage and contribute to the fabric of life in the United States; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes May 2015 as Jewish American Heritage Month and will celebrate Jewish American heritage on May 20, 2015; and

(2) expresses appreciation for the significant contributions made by Jewish Americans to the United States of America.

SENATE RESOLUTION 175—RECOGNIZING THE ROLES AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE TEACHERS OF THE UNITED STATES TO BUILDING AND ENHANCING THE CIVIC, CULTURAL, AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. AYOTTE, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. COONS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mr. MENENDEZ) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 175

Whereas education and knowledge provide the foundation of the current and future strength of the United States;

Whereas teachers and other education staff have earned and deserve the respect of stu-

dents and communities for the selfless dedication of the teachers to community service and to the futures of the children of the United States;

Whereas the purpose of National Teacher Appreciation Week, celebrated from May 4 through May 8, 2015, is to raise public awareness of the unquantifiable contributions of teachers and to promote greater respect and understanding for the teaching profession; and

Whereas students, schools, communities, and a number of organizations representing educators are hosting teacher appreciation events in recognition of National Teacher Appreciation Week: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate thanks the teachers of the United States and promotes the profession of teaching by encouraging students, parents, school administrators, and public officials to participate in teacher appreciation events during National Teacher Appreciation Week.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 16—STATING THE POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES REGARDING THE RELEASE OF UNITED STATES CITIZENS IN IRAN

Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. NELSON, Mr. PETERS, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was placed on the calendar:

S. CON. RES. 16

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring),

SECTION 1. STATEMENT OF POLICY ON RELEASE OF UNITED STATES CITIZENS IN IRAN.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Saeed Abedini of Idaho is a Christian pastor unjustly detained in Iran since 2012 and sentenced to eight years in prison on charges related to his religious beliefs.

(2) Amir Hekmati of Michigan is a former United States Marine unjustly detained in 2011 while visiting his Iranian relatives and sentenced to 10 years in prison for espionage.

(3) Jason Rezaian of California is a Washington Post journalist credentialed by the Government of Iran. He was unjustly detained in 2014 and has been held without a trial.

(4) Robert Levinson of Florida is a former Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) official who disappeared in 2007 in Iran. He is the longest held United States citizen in United States history.

(b) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the United States that—

(1) the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran should immediately release Saeed Abedini, Amir Hekmati, and Jason Rezaian, and cooperate with the United States Government to locate and return Robert Levinson; and

(2) the United States Government should undertake every effort using every diplomatic tool at its disposal to secure their immediate release.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1216. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1140 proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to the bill H.R. 1191, to provide for congressional review and oversight

of agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1217. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1140 proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to the bill H.R. 1191, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1218. Mr. GARDNER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1140 proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to the bill H.R. 1191, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1219. Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1140 proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to the bill H.R. 1191, supra.

SA 1220. Mr. CORKER proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1191, supra.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1216. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1140 proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to the bill H.R. 1191, to provide for congressional review and oversight of agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 28, line 18, insert “, including any agreed text for any United Nations Security Council resolutions to be considered with respect to Iran” after “future”.

SA 1217. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1140 proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to the bill H.R. 1191, to provide for congressional review and oversight of agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 2, line 16, strike “agreement; and” and insert “agreement;”.

On page 3, line 15, strike “purpose.” and insert “purpose; and”.

On page 3, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

“(D) the agreed text or agreed parameters of any United Nations Security Council resolutions to be considered with respect to Iran.

SA 1218. Mr. GARDNER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1140 proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to the bill H.R. 1191, to provide for congressional review and oversight of agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 15, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

“(L) An assessment of the relationship between Iran and any country of proliferation concern, as that term is defined in section 1055(g)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (50 U.S.C. 2371(g)(2)), including specifically an assessment of any sharing or transfer of any goods, materials, technology, or information related to the creation, research, development, deployment, or use of dual use material, ballistic missiles, fissile material, nuclear weapons, or related items.

SA 1219. Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1140 proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to the bill H.R. 1191, to provide for congressional review and oversight of agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 7, line 17, strike “the Congress” and insert “both Houses of Congress”.

On page 7, strike line 24 and insert “such passage.”.

On page 8, line 6, strike “the Congress” and insert “both Houses of Congress”.

On page 9, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

“(7) DEFINITION.—In the House of Representatives, for purposes of this subsection, the terms “transmittal,” “transmitted,” and “transmission” mean transmittal, transmitted, and transmission, respectively, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

On page 10, lines 13 and 14, strike “the Congress adopts, and there is enacted,” and insert “there is enacted”.

On page 10, lines 17 and 18, strike “the Congress adopts, and there is enacted” and insert “there is enacted”.

On page 13, line 17, strike “enhance” and insert “reduce”.

On page 17, line 9, strike “covert action” and insert “covert activities”.

On page 19, strike lines 8 through 17 and insert the following:

“(e) EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION.—

“(1) INITIATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In the event the President does not submit a certification pursuant to subsection (d)(6) during each 90-day period following the review period provided in subsection (b), or submits a determination pursuant to subsection (d)(3) that Iran has materially breached an agreement subject to subsection (a) and the material breach has not been cured, qualifying legislation introduced within 60 calendar days of such event shall be entitled to expedited consideration pursuant to this subsection.

“(B) DEFINITION.—In the House of Representatives, for purposes of this paragraph, the terms “submit” and “submits” mean submit and submits, respectively, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SA 1220. Mr. CORKER proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1191, to provide for congressional review and oversight of agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program, and for other purposes; as follows:

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to provide for congressional review and oversight of agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program, and for other purposes.”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. McCONNELL. 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, 2015 at 10 a.m., in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “A Review of Child Nutrition Programs.”

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

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “Jihad 2.0: Social Media in the Next Evolution of Terrorist Recruitment.”

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “S. 1137, the ‘PATENT ACT’—Finding Effective Solutions to Address Abusive Patent Practices.”

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2015, at 2:30 p.m.

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. UDALL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Bianca Ortiz Wertheim, a member of my staff, be given floor privileges today.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S. CON. RES. 16

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that S. Con. Res. 16, submitted earlier today, be placed on the calendar; and that at 5 p.m. on Monday, May 11, the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Con. Res. 16; that there be 30 minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form and the Senate then vote on adoption of the concurrent resolution with no intervening action or debate.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—H.R. 1314

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the cloture vote with respect to the motion to proceed to H.R. 1314 occur at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 12.

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