

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with a preamble:

S. Res. 35. A resolution commemorating the 70th anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz extermination camp in Nazi-occupied Poland.

By Mr. ALEXANDER, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

S. Res. 44. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. VITTER, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, without amendment:

S. Res. 45. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Ms. COLLINS, from the Special Committee on Aging, without amendment:

S. Res. 46. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging.

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. Res. 47. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. ROBERTS, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, without amendment:

S. Res. 48. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. Res. 49. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nominations beginning with Colonel Tony D. Bauernfeind and ending with Colonel William P. West, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 7, 2015.

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

Air Force nomination of Rodrick A. Koch, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of James F. Richey, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Morris A. Desimone III and ending with Andrew R. Strauss, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 13, 2015.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Steven P. Hulse and ending with Anthony C. Lyons, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 13, 2015.

Marine Corps nomination of Brian L. White, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Steven R. Lucas and ending with James N.

Shelstad, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 13, 2015.

By Mr. ALEXANDER for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*Allison Beck, of the District of Columbia, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.

*Adri Davin Jayaratne, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

*Mary Lucille Jordan, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term of six years expiring August 30, 2020.

*Michael Young, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term of six years expiring August 30, 2020.

*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 Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 273. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the intentional discrimination of a person or organization by an employee of the Internal Revenue Service; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 274. A bill to prohibit the Department of the Treasury from assigning tax statuses to organizations based on their political beliefs and activities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 275. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the coverage of home as a site of care for infusion therapy under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 276. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the programs and activities of the National Institutes of Health with respect to Tourette syndrome; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Ms. BALDWIN):

S. 277. A bill to amend the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002 and the Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002 to strengthen research in adult education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. FISCHER, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 278. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to establish certain procedures for conducting in-person or telephone interactions by executive branch employees with individuals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. AYOTTE:

S. 279. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude certain compensation received by public safety officers

and their dependents from gross income; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KING, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. PAUL):

S. 280. A bill to improve the efficiency, management, and interagency coordination of the Federal permitting process through reforms overseen by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 281. A bill to require a Federal agency to include language in certain educational and advertising materials indicating that such materials are produced and disseminated at taxpayer expense; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. JOHNSON, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 282. A bill to provide taxpayers with an annual report disclosing the cost and performance of Government programs and areas of duplication among them, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. FLAKE (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. KIRK, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. WICKER, Mr. RISCH, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. DAINES, Mr. HELLER, Mr. BURR, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. ENZI, Mr. PAUL, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. SCOTT, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CORKER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. LEE, and Mr. SHELBY):

S. 283. A bill to prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from modifying the standard for determining whether an organization is operated exclusively for the promotion of social welfare for purposes of section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 284. A bill to impose sanctions with respect to foreign persons responsible for gross violations of internationally recognized human rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. GARDNER (for himself and Mr. BENNET):

S. 285. A bill to authorize the construction of a replacement medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Aurora, Colorado, and to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into an agreement with the Chief of Engineers to act as the construction agent with respect to such construction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 286. A bill to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 287. A bill to establish the Food Safety Administration to protect the public health by preventing foodborne illness, ensuring the safety of food, improving research on contaminants leading to foodborne illness, and

improving security of food from international contamination, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. SCOTT):

S. 288. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Board, the Office of the General Counsel, and the process for appellate review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 289. A bill to prioritize funding for an expanded and sustained national investment in biomedical research; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 290. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the accountability of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 291. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for extensions of detention of certain aliens ordered removed, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAINES, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. MORAN, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CRUZ, and Mrs. FISCHER):

S. 292. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to require publication on the Internet of the basis for determinations that species are endangered species or threatened species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. MORAN, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. VITTER, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HELLER, Mrs. FISCHER, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 293. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KAINE, Mr. MORAN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 294. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the Pro Football Hall of Fame; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LEE, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 295. A bill to amend section 2259 of title 18, United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 296. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance treatment of certain small business concerns for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs contracting goals and preferences, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. KIRK (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. UDALL):

S. 297. A bill to revive and expand the Intermediate Care Technician Pilot Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. NELSON, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BROWN, Mr. KIRK, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 298. A bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to provide States with the option of providing services to children with medically complex conditions under the Medicaid program and Children's Health Insurance Program through a care coordination program focused on improving health outcomes for children with medically complex conditions and lowering costs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. Res. 43. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that children trafficked in the United States should be treated as victims, and not criminals, especially during the upcoming Super Bowl, an event around which many children are at risk for being trafficked for sex; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ALEXANDER:

S. Res. 44. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. Res. 45. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship; from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. Res. 46. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging; from the Special Committee on Aging; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. CORKER:

S. Res. 47. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. ROBERTS:

S. Res. 48. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. BARRASSO:

S. Res. 49. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs; from the Committee on Indian Affairs; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, and Mr. CARPER):

S. Res. 50. A resolution congratulating The Ohio State University football team for winning the 2015 College Football Playoff national championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. Res. 51. A resolution recognizing the goals of Catholic Schools Week and honoring the valuable contributions of Catholic schools in the United States; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 52. A resolution calling for the release of Ukrainian fighter pilot Nadiya Savchenko, who was captured by Russian forces in Eastern Ukraine and has been held illegally in a Russian prison since July 2014; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 33

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. PORTMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 33, a bill to provide certainty with respect to the timing of Department of Energy decisions to approve or deny applications to export natural gas, and for other purposes.

S. 37

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 37, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide for State accountability in the provision of access to the core resources for learning, and for other purposes.

S. 48

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 48, a bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or gender, and for other purposes.

S. 50

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 50, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in governmental activities.

S. 51

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 51, a bill to amend title X of the Public Health Service Act to prohibit family planning grants from being awarded to any entity that performs abortions, and for other purposes.

S. 183

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. LANKFORD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 183, a bill to repeal the annual fee on health insurance providers enacted by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

S. 192

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms.