

S. 1580. An act to allow additional appointing authorities to select individuals from competitive service certificates.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1471. An act to reauthorize the programs and activities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2406. An act to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4401. An act to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide countering violent extremism training to Department of Homeland Security representatives at State and local fusion centers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4583. An act to promote a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, March 1, 2016, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 238. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to authorize the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to issue oleoresin capicum spray to officers and employees of the Bureau of Prisons.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4524. A communication from the Director of the Budget and Program Management Staff, Agricultural Research Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Fees and Payment Methods" (RIN0518-AA05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 24, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4525. A communication from the Associate Administrator of the Cotton and Tobacco Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Classification of Foreign-Growth Cotton" (Docket No. AMS-CN-15-0051) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 24, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4526. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Uniform Procurement Identification" (RIN0750-AI54) (DFARS Case 2015-D011) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4527. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security-Based Swap Transactions Connected with a Non-U.S. Person's Dealing Activity That Are Arranged, Negotiated, or Executed by Personnel Located in a U.S. Branch or Office or in a U.S. Branch or Office of an Agent; Security-Based Swap Dealer De Minimis Exception" (RIN3235-AL05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4528. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64) (Docket No. FEMA-2015-0001)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 24, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4529. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Brazos Island Harbor, Texas navigation project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4530. A communication from the Acting Unified Listing Team Manager, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interagency Cooperation—Endangered Species Act of 1973, as Amended; Definition of Destruction or Adverse Modification of Critical Habitat" (RIN1018-AX88) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4531. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 15-086); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4532. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-315, "Tip's Way Designation Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4533. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-316, "LGBTQ Cultural Competency Continuing Education Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4534. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-317, "Emery Heights Community Center Designation Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4535. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-318, "Private Security Camera Incentive Program Temporary Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4536. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-319, "Marijuana Possession Decriminalization Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4537. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-320, "Certificate of Good Standing Filing Requirement Temporary Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee

on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4538. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-322, "Wage Theft Prevention Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4539. A communication from the Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Performance Report for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4540. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2015 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4541. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-321, "Presidential Primary Ballot Access Temporary Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4542. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2016"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. COATS, from the Joint Economic Committee:

Special Report entitled "2016 Economic Report of the President" (Rept. No. 114-218).

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

S. 2609. An original bill to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a national voluntary labeling standard for bio-engineered foods, and for other purposes.

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 Mrs. FISCHER (for herself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. SCHATZ):

S. 2607. A bill to ensure appropriate spectrum planning and interagency coordination to support the Internet of Things; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KIRK (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2608. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to place signage on Federal land along the trail known as the "American Discovery Trail", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ROBERTS:

S. 2609. An original bill to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a national voluntary labeling standard for bio-engineered foods, and for other purposes;

from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Ms. CANTWELL, and Ms. HIRONO):

S. 2610. A bill to approve an agreement between the United States and the Republic of Palau; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. UDALL:

S. 2611. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to replace the Federal Election Commission with the Federal Election Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. JOHNSON, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 2612. A bill to ensure United States jurisdiction over offenses committed by United States personnel stationed in Canada in furtherance of border security initiatives; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. HATCH, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 2613. A bill to reauthorize certain programs established by the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 2614. A bill to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, and to promote initiatives that will reduce the risk of injury and death relating to the wandering characteristics of some children with autism; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 2615. A bill to increase competition in the pharmaceutical industry; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. KIRK):

S. Res. 381. A resolution honoring the memory and legacy of Michael James Riddering and condemning the terrorist attacks in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso on January 15, 2016; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mrs. ERNST):

S. Res. 382. A resolution congratulating the community colleges of Iowa for 50 years of outstanding service to the State of Iowa, the United States, and the world; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. PERDUE (for himself, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. COONS):

S. Res. 383. A resolution recognizing the importance of the United States-Israel economic relationship and encouraging new areas of cooperation; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 297

At the request of Mr. KIRK, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 297, a bill to revive and expand the In-

termediate Care Technician Pilot Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 497

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 497, a bill to allow Americans to earn paid sick time so that they can address their own health needs and the health needs of their families.

S. 579

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 579, a bill to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to strengthen the independence of the Inspectors General, and for other purposes.

S. 700

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 700, a bill to amend the Asbestos Information Act of 1988 to establish a public database of asbestos-containing products, to require public disclosure of information pertaining to the manufacture, processing, distribution, and use of asbestos-containing products in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 740

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 740, a bill to improve the coordination and use of geospatial data.

S. 901

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) were added as cosponsors of S. 901, a bill to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a national center for research on the diagnosis and treatment of health conditions of the descendants of veterans exposed to toxic substances during service in the Armed Forces that are related to that exposure, to establish an advisory board on such health conditions, and for other purposes.

S. 1440

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1440, a bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to exclude a loan secured by a non-owner occupied 1- to 4-family dwelling from the definition of a member business loan, and for other purposes.

S. 1479

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) were added as cosponsors of S. 1479, a bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to modify provisions relating to grants, and for other purposes.

S. 1865

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms.

MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1865, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to eating disorders, and for other purposes.

S. 1911

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) and the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. 1911, a bill to implement policies to end preventable maternal, newborn, and child deaths globally.

S. 1915

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1915, a bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to make anthrax vaccines and antimicrobials available to emergency response providers, and for other purposes.

S. 1982

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1982, a bill to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund the Wall of Remembrance.

S. 2213

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2213, a bill to prohibit firearms dealers from selling a firearm prior to the completion of a background check.

S. 2216

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) were added as cosponsors of S. 2216, a bill to provide immunity from suit for certain individuals who disclose potential examples of financial exploitation of senior citizens, and for other purposes.

S. 2291

At the request of Mr. KIRK, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2291, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish procedures within the Department of Veterans Affairs for the processing of whistleblower complaints, and for other purposes.

S. 2361

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2361, a bill to enhance airport security, and for other purposes.

S. 2424

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2424, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize a program for early detection, diagnosis, and treatment regarding deaf and hard-of-hearing newborns, infants, and young children.

S. 2426

At the request of Mr. GARDNER, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr.