

of S. 3296, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption to the individual mandate to maintain health coverage for individuals residing in counties with fewer than 2 health insurance issuers offering plans on an Exchange.

S. 3297

At the request of Mr. COTTON, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. PERDUE), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. GARDNER) and the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) were added as cosponsors of S. 3297, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption to the individual mandate to maintain health coverage for certain individuals whose premium has increased by more than 10 percent, and for other purposes.

S. 3298

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3298, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require the label of any drug containing an opiate to prominently state that addiction is possible.

S. CON. RES. 4

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

S. RES. 199

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 199, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding establishing a National Strategic Agenda.

AMENDMENT NO. 4985

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4985 intended to be proposed to S. 2848, a bill to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4988

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Ms. HEITKAMP) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4988 intended to be proposed to S. 2848, a bill to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4992

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Washington

(Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4992 intended to be proposed to S. 2848, a bill to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4998

At the request of Mr. KIRK, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4998 intended to be proposed to S. 2848, a bill to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 551—HONORING THE MAINE-ENDWELL LITTLE LEAGUE TEAM OF ENDWELL, NEW YORK, FOR THE VICTORY OF THE TEAM IN THE 2016 LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES

Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 551

Whereas on Saturday, August 27, 2016, the Maine-Endwell Little League Team won the United States championship at the Little League Baseball World Series, defeating a talented and energetic team from Goodlettsville, Tennessee, by 4 to 2;

Whereas on Sunday, August 28, 2016, the Maine-Endwell Little League Team competed against the East Seoul Little League Team of South Korea in the 70th Little League Baseball World Series championship and won 2 to 1, rounding out an amazing undefeated season in which the team won 24 games and lost none;

Whereas the Maine-Endwell Little League Team is the first United States team to win the Little League Baseball World Series title since 2011 and the first team from the State of New York to win the championship since 1964;

Whereas the Maine-Endwell Little League Team showed humility and grace both on and off the diamond, earning the 2016 Jack Losch Little League Baseball World Series Team Sportsmanship Award, and was the first team ever to win the World Series title and the sportsmanship award in the same year;

Whereas the Maine-Endwell Little League Team is comprised of Billy Dundon, Jude Abbadessa, Brody Raleigh, Michael Mancini, Jordan Owens, Conner Rush, Justin Ryan, Jack Hopko, James Fellows, Jayden Fanara, and Ryan Harlost;

Whereas the Maine-Endwell Little League Team is managed and coached by Scott Rush, Joe Mancini, and Joe Hopko, among others; and

Whereas the Maine-Endwell Little League Team has brought tremendous excitement, pride, and honor to the Southern Tier of New

York, the State of New York, and the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates and honors the Maine-Endwell Little League Team and their fans on the victory of the team at the 70th Little League Baseball World Series championship;

(2) recognizes and commends the hard work, dedication, determination, and commitment to excellence of the members, parents, families, coaches, and managers of the Maine-Endwell Little League Team; and

(3) recognizes and commends the people of the Town of Union, Broome County, and the Southern Tier of New York for their incredible dedication, loyalty, and support for the Maine-Endwell Little League Team throughout the season.

SENATE RESOLUTION 552—COMMEMORATING THE FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF NATO'S INVOCATION OF ARTICLE V TO DEFEND THE UNITED STATES FOLLOWING THE TERRORIST ATTACKS OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. Kaine, and Mr. MENENDEZ) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 552

Whereas the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), the world's most effective, strongest international political-military alliance, was established in 1949 by the North Atlantic Treaty;

Whereas the principle of collective defense, whereby NATO member states agree to mutual defense in response to an attack by an external party, is at the very heart of NATO's founding treaty;

Whereas NATO's commitment to collective defense is enshrined in Article V of the North Atlantic Treaty, which states that "an armed attack against one" NATO member "shall be considered an attack against them all";

Whereas, on September 11, 2001, the United States was attacked by the al Qaeda terrorist network, headed by Osama bin Laden and protected by the Taliban regime in Afghanistan;

Whereas, on September 12, 2001, less than 24 hours after the attacks, NATO invoked Article V for the first time in history;

Whereas, in October 2001, NATO launched its first ever counterterrorism operation, Operation Active Endeavor, to support the United States and safeguard all allies;

Whereas, from October 2001 to May 2002, as part of Operation Active Endeavor, NATO deployed seven NATO Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) Surveillance aircraft to help patrol the skies over the United States;

Whereas 830 crew members from 13 NATO countries flew more than 360 sorties to support Operation Eagle Assist to protect the United States from further attack;

Whereas NATO activities under Operation Active Endeavor also included NATO ships patrolling the Mediterranean and monitoring shipping to help deter, defend, disrupt, and protect against terrorist activity;

Whereas, from 2003 until 2014, NATO commanded the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) in Afghanistan, tasked with conducting security operations throughout the country and helping to build the Afghan National Defense and Security Forces;

Whereas ISAF was the longest, largest, and most challenging combat mission in NATO's

history and at its height comprised more than 130,000 troops from 51 NATO and partner countries, including at least 40,000 from countries other than the United States;

Whereas at least 3,519 NATO troops, including 2,383 United States troops and more than 1,000 from NATO allies and partners, have died fighting in Afghanistan;

Whereas, in January 2015, in a sign of continued solidarity, NATO launched a new mission in Afghanistan, Operation Resolute Support, to advise and assist Afghan security forces;

Whereas, as of June 2016, approximately 12,000 NATO personnel were contributing to the Resolute Support Mission, 7,000 of whom are from the United States;

Whereas, on July 8 and 9, 2016, Heads of State and Government of the 28 NATO allies met in Warsaw, Poland to “ensure that the Alliance remains an unparalleled community of freedom, peace, security, and shared values, including individual liberty, human rights, democracy, and the rule of law”;

Whereas leaders at the Warsaw Summit decided to—

(1) strengthen the Alliance’s military presence in Eastern Europe with four battalions in Poland, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania on a rotational basis starting in 2017;

(2) develop a tailored forward presence in southeastern Europe;

(3) strengthen cyber defenses;

(4) train and build capacity inside Iraq in support of the global coalition to defeat the so-called Islamic State, including by providing a NATO AWACS Surveillance plane and to expand maritime presence in the Mediterranean Sea;

(5) continue contributions to NATO’s Resolute Support Mission in Afghanistan beyond 2016 and confirm funding commitments to 2020;

(6) welcome Ukraine’s plans for reform and endorse a Comprehensive Assistance Package for Ukraine;

(7) welcome the vital progress made in implementing the Substantial NATO-Georgia Package and activating the Joint Training and Evaluation Center to strengthen Georgia’s self-defense and resilience capabilities; and

(8) reiterate support for the territorial integrity and sovereignty of both Ukraine and Georgia within their internationally recognized borders;

Whereas the NATO alliance has served the interests of the United States and its transatlantic allies for more than seven decades;

Whereas, on April 6, 2016, NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg stated, “NATO is a powerful tool in which all our nations have made great investments. For almost seventy years, NATO has brought Europe and North America together. Providing security for both sides of the Atlantic. I know that I can count on the continued leadership of the United States. I also know that the mutual interests of Europe and the United States are best served by a strong North Atlantic Alliance. Because the security of Europe and North America is indivisible. And only by standing together will we remain safe and secure.”; and

Whereas, on July 9, 2016, following the Warsaw Summit, President Barack Obama stated, “NATO is as strong, as nimble, and as ready as ever. . . Nobody should ever doubt the resolve of this Alliance to stay united and focused on the future. And just as our nations have stood together over the past hundred years, I know that we’ll stay united and grow even stronger for another hundred more.”; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commemorates the fifteenth anniversary of NATO’s invocation of Article V to defend the United States after the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001;

(2) commends the contributions of our NATO allies and partners in our common fight against terrorism and in pursuit of international security;

(3) honors those men and women who have died for the cause of common defense of the North Atlantic Treaty allies;

(4) recommit the United States to the North Atlantic Treaty, especially to common defense of Treaty allies, and affirms that the United States remains fully prepared, capable, and willing to honor its commitments under Article V;

(5) encourages all NATO allies to continue their valuable contributions to the Alliance, including by investing at least two percent of gross domestic product in national defense spending;

(6) commends the NATO Alliance for decisions taken at the July 2016 Warsaw Summit and the President for investing in the European Reassurance Initiative to enhance deterrence and project international stability beyond NATO; and

(7) reaffirms the commitment of the United States to deterring those who seek to destabilize the Euro-Atlantic area, and to maintaining an “Open Door” policy on welcoming new members, and welcomes the Alliance’s invitation to Montenegro.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 5008. Mr. DONNELLY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5009. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. PERDUE (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON)) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5010. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5011. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5012. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5013. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5014. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5015. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5016. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5017. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5018. Mr. INHOFE (for Mr. FLAKE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5019. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5020. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5021. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5022. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5023. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5024. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5025. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5026. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5027. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5028. Mr. GARDNER (for himself, Mr. UDALL, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mr. MCCAIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5029. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4979 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. BOXER)) to the bill S. 2848, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5030. Mr. CASSIDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him