

School, representing the Hoosier State. To be in the running for the national invitational, student contestants must display their knowledge, as well as current political awareness and constitutional acumen by holding mock or simulated congressional hearings at the local and State level during the current school year. Once qualified, during the final competition in DC, similar to the simulated congressional hearings held at the local level to be one of the eight finalists, each class went before a group of judges. Teams were allocated a 4-minute introductory statement and then faced pressing questions pertaining to existing constitutional subjects as well as past from the judges. The winning team must show an exceptional understanding of constitutional principles applicable to historical and current issues.

For the record, I want to acknowledge each student of the Fishers Junior High School team who participated in achieving first place in the We the People National Invitational: Makenna Adams, Izzy Alexander, Addi Arena, Blake Backes, Jackson Bakle, Mackenzie Boyer, Milan Colzani, Joe Conde, Kamryn Dean, Grace DeLong, Sydney Doyle, Madison Ewart, Faith Farrell, Maya Fotedar, Abby Funk, Ray Gao, Abigail Garrison, Meg Gibson, Liberty Hayes, Morgan Joiner, Braden Kirkendall, Shea Koley, Ben Lilley, Tatiyana Lockridge, Olivia Lux, Ali Mohamed, Cassidy Robertson, Gracey Scholl, Kara Van Dyke, Jonah VanDer Kamp, and Bailey Wilson. Furthermore, I would like to recognize Mr. Mike Fassold for his efforts to teach and implement a passion for constitutional and civic engagement in his students.

Again, congratulations to the Fishers Junior High School team for their extraordinary victory, and thank you for representing your fellow Hoosiers. It is truly an honor to have brilliant students in the State of Indiana who inspire others with their knowledge, hard work, and dedication.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Ridgway, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 174. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to consolidate the reporting obligations of the Federal Communications Commission in order to improve congressional oversight and reduce reporting burdens (Rept. No. 115-61).

By Mr. GRASSLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 139. A bill to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, and for other purposes.

S. 583. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize COPS grantees to use grant funds to hire veterans as career law enforcement officers, and for other purposes.

By Mr. ALEXANDER, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 934. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs, medical devices, generic drugs, and bio-similar biological products, and for other purposes.

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

S. 1028. A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a National Family Caregiving Strategy, 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 Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. NELSON, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. MORAN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. HELLER, and Mr. FLAKE):

S. 1094. 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. BURR (for himself and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 1095. A bill to ensure that the Secretary of the Interior collaborates fully with State and local authorities and certain nonprofit entities in managing the Corolla Wild Horse population on Federal land; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. FISCHER (for herself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 1096. A bill to amend and enhance certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DAINES:

S. 1097. A bill to postpone the deadline for the completion of the conversion of certain military technician (dual status) positions to positions of civilian employment by the Federal Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. FLAKE:

S. 1098. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from employing individuals who have been convicted of a felony and medical personnel who have had their medical licenses or credentials revoked or sus-

pended, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mrs. McCASKILL):

S. 1099. A bill to provide for the identification and prevention of improper payments and the identification of strategic sourcing opportunities by reviewing and analyzing the use of Federal agency charge cards; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself and Mr. CASSIDY):

S. 1100. A bill to amend title 46, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the program to provide assistance for small shipyards and maritime communities through fiscal year 2020, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. HELLER, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 1101. A bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. WARREN, Mr. REED, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. BROWN):

S. 1102. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from offshore wind; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself and Mrs. McCASKILL):

S. 1103. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue Department-wide guidance and to develop training programs as part of the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCHATZ, Mrs. FISCHER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. MORAN):

S. 1104. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to establish a methodology for the collection by the Commission of information about commercial mobile service and commercial mobile data service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. BROWN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. NELSON, Ms. WARREN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KAINE, Mr. DONNELLY, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. BURR, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BOOKER, and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 1105. A bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to transfer certain funds to the 1974 United Mine Workers of America Pension Plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 1106. A bill to designate the same individual serving as the Chief Nurse Officer of the Public Health Service as the National Nurse for Public Health; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. NELSON, Mr. CARPER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 1107. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to authorize the appointment of

additional bankruptcy judges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. UDALL, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. GARDNER):

S. 1108. A bill to amend title 4, United States Code, to provide for the flying of the flag at half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line of duty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. BURR, Ms. BALDWIN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1109. A bill to amend title VIII of the Public Health Service Act to extend advanced education nursing grants to support clinical nurse specialist programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mrs. FISCHER, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 1110. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide for private lactation areas in the terminals of large and medium hub airports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN:

S. 1111. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to improve the provision of services and benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs for veterans who experience domestic violence or sexual assault, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. HEITKAMP (for herself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 1112. A bill to support States in their work to save and sustain the health of mothers during pregnancy, childbirth, and in the postpartum period, to eliminate disparities in maternal health outcomes for pregnancy-related and pregnancy-associated deaths, to identify solutions to improve health care quality and health outcomes for mothers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 1113. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure the safety of cosmetics; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BOOKER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. COONS, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. REED, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 1114. A bill to nullify the effect of the recent Executive order laying a foundation for discrimination against LGBTQ individuals, women, religious minorities, and others under the pretext of religious freedom; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 1115. A bill to improve access to prescription drugs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 1116. A bill to amend the Native American Business Development, Trade Promotion, and Tourism Act of 2000, the Buy Indian Act, and the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide industry and economic development opportunities to Indian communities; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. ROUNDS, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 1117. A bill to protect the investment choices of investors in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 1118. A bill to reauthorize the North Korea Human Rights Act of 2004, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Mr. COONS, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. Res. 162. A resolution reaffirming the commitment of the United States to promoting religious freedom, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 59

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. STRANGE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 59, a bill to provide that silencers be treated the same as long guns.

S. 109

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. STRANGE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 109, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare program of pharmacist services.

S. 139

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 139, a bill to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, and for other purposes.

S. 340

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 340, a bill to clarify Congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes.

S. 394

At the request of Mr. ROUNDS, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mrs. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 394, a bill to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to provide that a member of the Armed Forces and the spouse of that member shall have the same rights regarding the receipt of firearms at the location of any duty station of the member.

S. 422

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Colorado

(Mr. GARDNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 422, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

S. 479

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 479, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to waive coinsurance under Medicare for colorectal cancer screening tests, regardless of whether therapeutic intervention is required during the screening.

S. 534

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 534, a bill to prevent the sexual abuse of minors and amateur athletes by requiring the prompt reporting of sexual abuse to law enforcement authorities, and for other purposes.

S. 540

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. FLAKE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 540, a bill to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States.

S. 583

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mrs. ERNST) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. KENNEDY) were added as cosponsors of S. 583, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize COPS grantees to use grant funds to hire veterans as career law enforcement officers, and for other purposes.

S. 654

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 654, a bill to revise section 48 of title 18, United States Code, and for other purposes.

S. 682

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 682, a bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to provide for the purchase of paper United States savings bonds with tax refunds.

S. 782

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 782, a bill to reauthorize the National Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program, and for other purposes.

S. 829

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 829, a bill to reauthorize the Assistance