

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 3905. An act to require congressional approval of any mineral withdrawal or monument designation involving the National Forest System lands in the State of Minnesota, to provide for the renewal of certain mineral leases in such lands, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4182. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to modify probationary periods with respect to positions within the competitive service and the Senior Executive Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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-3588. A communication from the Acting Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wireless Emergency Alerts; Amendments to Part 11 of the Commission's Rules Regarding the Emergency Alert System" ((FCC 17-143) (PS Docket No. 15-91)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3589. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Groundfish Fishery; Fishing Year 2017; Recreational Management Measures" (RIN0648-BG52) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3590. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Island Fisheries; 2017-18 Annual Catch Limit and Accountability Measures; Main Hawaiian Islands Deep 7 Bottomfish" (RIN0648-XF335) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3591. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2017-2018 Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Amendment 27" (RIN0648-BG17) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3592. A communication from the Chief, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 43.62 Reporting Requirements for U.S. Providers of International Services; 2016 Biennial Review of Telecommunications Regula-

tions" ((FCC 17-136) (IB Docket No. 17-55)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-139. A resolution adopted by the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, Florida, urging the United States Congress to reform the Federal Flood Insurance Program to eliminate disproportionate subsidies paid by the State of Florida to other parts of the nation and to increase the amount of subsidies, to an amount equal to at least 25% of flood insurance premiums paid in the State of Florida, for reinvestment in resilient infrastructure projects in Florida and to amend flood insurance policy renewals from annually to every four years; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

POM-140. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to an amendment to the United States Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-141. A resolution adopted by the Lauderdale Lakes City Commission, Lauderdale Lakes, Florida recognizing and honoring all United States armed forces veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1886. A bill to amend subchapter I of chapter 31 of title 5, United States Code, to authorize agencies to make noncompetitive temporary and term appointments in the competitive service (Rept. No. 115-189).

By Mr. GRASSLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S. 2070. 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.

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 Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 2182. A bill to provide for the resettlement and relocation of the people of Bikini; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 2183. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to provide for a special rule during the first quarter of fiscal year 2018 for the redistribution of certain Children's Health Insurance Program allocations for certain shortfall States; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 2184. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve veterans' health

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

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Ms. BALDWIN):

S. Res. 346. A resolution recognizing the importance and effectiveness of trauma-informed care; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 264

At the request of Mr. LANKFORD, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 264, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow charitable organizations to make statements relating to political campaigns if such statements are made in ordinary course of carrying out its tax exempt purpose.

S. 654

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 654, a bill to revise section 48 of title 18, United States Code, and for other purposes.

S. 662

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 662, a bill to provide incentives for hate crime reporting, grants for State-run hate crime hotlines, a Federal private right of action for victims of hate crimes, and additional penalties for individuals convicted under the Matthew Shephard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act.

S. 915

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) were added as cosponsors of S. 915, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 946

At the request of Mr. FLAKE, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 946, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to hire additional Veterans Justice Outreach Specialists to provide treatment court services to justice-involved veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 1425

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1425, a bill to reauthorize the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009, and for other purposes.

S. 1827

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1827, a bill to extend funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

S. 1829

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1829, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program.

S. 1830

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mrs. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1830, a bill to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government.

S. 1838

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1838, a bill to repeal the authority under the National Labor Relations Act for States to enact laws prohibiting agreements requiring membership in a labor organization as a condition of employment, and for other purposes.

S. 1871

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1871, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the role of podiatrists in the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 2070

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 2070, 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.

S. 2088

At the request of Mrs. FISCHER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2088, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the issuance of the Gold Star Installation Access Card to the surviving spouse, dependent children, and other next of kin of a member of the Armed Forces who dies while serving on certain active or reserve duty, to ensure that a remarried surviving spouse with dependent chil-

dren of the deceased member remains eligible for installation benefits to which the surviving spouse was previously eligible, and for other purposes.

S. 2147

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2147, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to create a Pension Rehabilitation Trust Fund to establish a Pension Rehabilitation Administration within the Department of the Treasury to make loans to multiemployer defined benefit plans, and for other purposes.

S. 2159

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2159, a bill to require covered harassment and covered discrimination awareness and prevention training for Members, officers, employees, interns, fellows, and detailees of Congress within 30 days of employment and annually thereafter, to require a biennial climate survey of Congress, to amend the enforcement process under the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights for covered harassment and covered discrimination complaints, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1622

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1622 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1623

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1623 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1640

At the request of Mr. GARDNER, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1640 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1642

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. SASSE) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. KENNEDY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1642 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1665

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Minnesota

(Ms. KLOBUCHAR), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1665 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1675

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1675 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1711

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1711 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1717

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1717 proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1724

At the request of Mrs. ERNST, her name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1724 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. GARDNER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1724 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, *supra*.

AMENDMENT NO. 1735

At the request of Mr. ROUNDS, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. KENNEDY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1735 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1736

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. LANKFORD) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1736 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1738

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr.

CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1738 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1739

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1739 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1758

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1758 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1760

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. GARDNER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1760 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1765

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1765 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1774

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1774 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

AMENDMENT NO. 1790

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1790 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 346—RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE AND EFFECTIVENESS OF TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE

Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Ms. BALDWIN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 346

Whereas traumatic experiences affect millions of individuals in the United States and

can affect the mental, emotional, physical, spiritual, economic, and social well-being of an individual;

Whereas adverse childhood experiences (in this preamble referred to as “ACEs”) can be traumatizing and, if not recognized, can affect health across the lifespan of an individual and, in some cases, result in a shortened lifespan;

Whereas ACEs are recognized as a proxy for toxic stress, which can affect brain development and can cause a lifetime of physical, mental, and social challenges;

Whereas ACEs and trauma are determinants of public health problems in the United States such as obesity, addiction, and serious mental illness;

Whereas trauma-informed care is an approach that can bring greater understanding and more effective ways to support and serve children, adults, families, and communities affected by trauma;

Whereas trauma-informed care is not a therapy or an intervention, but a principle-based, culture-change process aimed at recognizing strengths and resiliency as well as helping people who have experienced trauma to overcome those issues in order to lead healthy and positive lives;

Whereas adopting trauma-informed approaches in workplaces, communities, and government programs can aid in preventing mental, emotional, physical, and social issues for people impacted by toxic stress or trauma;

Whereas trauma-informed care has been promoted and established in communities across the United States, including many different uses of trauma-informed care being utilized by various types of entities, such as—

(1) the State of Wisconsin, which established Fostering Futures, a statewide initiative—

(A) under which the State partnered with Indian tribes, State agencies, county governments, and nonprofit organizations to make Wisconsin the first trauma-informed State; and

(B) the goal of which is to reduce toxic stress and improve life-long health and well-being for all Wisconsinites;

(2) the Menominee Tribe in Wisconsin, which improved educational and public health outcomes by increasing understanding of historical trauma and childhood adversity and by developing culturally relevant, trauma-informed practices;

(3) schools of medicine that provide critical trauma-informed care in Chicago, Illinois, including—

(A) the University of Illinois at Chicago Comprehensive Assessment and Response Training System, which improves the quality of psychiatric services provided to youth in foster care; and

(B) the University of Chicago Recovery and Empowerment After Community Trauma Program, which helps residents who are coping with community violence;

(4) service providers, academics, and local artists in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, that use art to engage communities to educate and involve citizens in trauma-informed care activities;

(5) the Department of Public Health of San Francisco, California, which aligned its workforce to create a trauma-informed system;

(6) schools in Kansas City, Missouri, that—

(A) worked to become trauma-informed by encouraging teachers and children to create self-care plans to manage stress; and

(B) have implemented broad community-wide, trauma-informed culture changes;

(7) the city of Tarpon Springs, Florida, which crafted a community effort to gather city officials, professionals, and residents to

coordinate multiple trauma-informed activities, including a community education day;

(8) community members in Worcester, Massachusetts, who worked with the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health to create a venue with peer-to-peer support to better engage individuals dealing with trauma and extreme emotional distress;

(9) the city of Walla Walla, Washington, which, together with community members, launched the Children's Resilience Initiative to mobilize neighborhoods and Washington State agencies to tackle ACEs;

(10) the State of Oregon, which passed the first State law in the United States to promote—

(A) trauma-informed approaches in order to decrease rates of school absenteeism and increase understanding of ACEs and trauma; and

(B) best practices to leverage community resources to support youth;

(11) the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which passed a law to promote whole-school efforts to implement trauma-informed care approaches to support the social, emotional, and academic well-being of all students, including both preventive and intensive services and support depending on the needs of students; and

(12) the State of Washington, which implemented the ACEs Public-Private Initiative, a collaboration among private, public, and community organizations to research and inform policies to prevent childhood trauma and reduce the negative emotional, social, and health effects of childhood trauma;

Whereas the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration provides substantial resources to better engage individuals and communities across the United States to implement trauma-informed care;

Whereas numerous Federal agencies have integrated trauma-informed approaches into programs and grants that those agencies administer, and those agencies could benefit from closer collaboration; and

Whereas national recognition through a trauma-focused awareness month would help to deepen the understanding of the nature and impact of trauma, the importance of prevention, the impact that ACEs can have on brain development, and the benefits of trauma-informed care: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the importance, effectiveness, and need for trauma-informed care among existing programs and agencies at the Federal level;

(2) encourages the use and practice of trauma-informed care within the Federal Government, including within the executive branch agencies and Congress; and

(3) supports the designation of May 2018 as “National Trauma Awareness Month” and May 22, 2018, as “National Trauma-Informed Awareness Day” in order to highlight community resilience through trauma-informed change.

SENATE RESOLUTION 347—COMMEMORATING THE 62ND ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF WHITEMAN AIR FORCE BASE

Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself and Mr. BLUNT) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 347

Whereas, 70 years ago, the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.), signed into law by President Harry S. Truman, established the Department of the Air Force as an executive department and established the United States Air Force under the Department of the Air Force;