

SA 3082. Ms. SMITH (for herself, Mr. DONNELLY, and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. BUY AMERICAN REQUIREMENTS.

Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—

(1) define and enforce any Buy American requirements under the jurisdiction of the Secretary; and

(2) submit to Congress a report on the actions the Secretary has taken and plans to take to comply with paragraph (1).

SA 3083. Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title VI, add the following:

SEC. 6211. COMMUNITY BROADBAND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS.

(a) **DEFINITION OF ELIGIBLE ENTITY.**—In this section, the term “eligible entity” means—

- (1) a local government agency;
- (2) a regional agency;
- (3) a nonprofit organization with relevant expertise; or
- (4) a public-private partnership.

(b) **GRANTS.**—The Secretary shall make broadband technical assistance and planning grants to eligible entities to conduct assessments and develop action plans for the expansion of broadband services in the area served by the eligible entity.

(c) **QUALIFIED ACTIVITIES.**—An eligible entity may use a grant awarded under this section to—

- (1) establish a multi-stakeholder broadband planning team;
- (2) determine the extent to which broadband service is accessible in the community or region served by the eligible entity by—

(A) undertaking a physical comprehensive inventory of broadband infrastructure assets and capabilities; and

(B) developing a geographic information system (commonly known as “GIS”)—based map of existing serviceability;

(3) assess current broadband adoption rates in the community or region;

(4) assess advertised broadband service pricing in the community or region across all available providers;

(5) obtain professional advice or guidance on—

(A) options to expand broadband service, including public-private partnerships;

(B) potential sustainable financial models; or

(C) grant writing; or

(6)(A) identify and analyze government policies, ordinances, or statutes that may be hindering broadband expansion; and

(B) make recommendations for modification.

(d) **AWARD AMOUNT LIMITATION.**—The amount of a grant awarded under this section shall be not more than \$200,000.

(e) **TERM.**—A grant awarded under this section—

(1) shall be for an initial term of 1 year; and

(2) may be renewed by the Secretary for a single additional term of 1 year in the same amount as initially provided.

(f) **FUNDING.**—The Secretary shall carry out this section using—

(1) amounts made available for technical assistance and pre-development planning activities under section 779 of division A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141); and

(2) any other amounts available to the Secretary.

(g) **OTHER CONDITIONS.**—The requirements under section 779 of division A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141) shall apply to grants awarded under this section, except to the extent that those requirements are inconsistent with this section.

(h) **PROGRAM DURATION.**—The Secretary shall carry out this section during fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter, subject to the availability of funds.

SA 3084. Ms. HEITKAMP submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 125. STATE AND TRIBAL REGULATION OF FORM OF AGRICULTURAL BUSINESS ENTITIES.

(a) **DECLARATION OF POLICY.**—It is the policy of Congress that it is in the public interest for each State and Indian Tribe to continue to regulate the form of a business entity that may engage in farming or livestock production within the State or territory of the Indian Tribe or own agricultural land within the State or territory of the Indian Tribe, including through laws or regulations that restrict or prohibit certain types of business entities from—

(1) engaging in farming or livestock production within the State or territory of the Indian Tribe; or

(2) owning agricultural land within the State or territory of the Indian tribe.

(b) **CONSENT TO STATE AND TRIBAL REGULATION.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—A State or Indian Tribe may regulate the form of a business entity that may—

(A) engage in farming or livestock production within the State or territory of the Indian Tribe; or

(B) own agricultural land within the State or territory of the Indian Tribe.

(2) **CONSTRUCTION.**—Paragraph (1) and the policy described in subsection (a) shall be construed to eliminate any barrier under the Commerce Clause of section 8 of article I of the Constitution of the United States to the regulation by a State or Indian tribe described in paragraph (1).

(3) **EFFECT OF SILENCE.**—Silence in any law of Congress enacted before, on, or after the date of enactment of this Act with respect to the regulation by a State or Indian Tribe described in paragraph (1) shall not be construed to preclude that regulation.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator MURRAY, I ask unanimous consent that a fellow on Senator MUR-

RAY's Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee staff, Lori Achman, be granted floor privileges through August 3, 2018.

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

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 6

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I understand there is a bill at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill by title for the first time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 6) to provide for opioid use disorder prevention, recovery, and treatment, and for other purposes.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I now ask for a second reading and, in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2018

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m., Tuesday, June 26; further, that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed. I further ask that following leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to H.R. 2. Further, I ask that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings. Finally, I ask that all time during recess, adjournment, morning business, and leader remarks count postclosure on the motion to proceed to H.R. 2.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order, following the remarks of Senator BROWN.

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

The Senator from Ohio.

GENERAL MOTORS

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, last Friday was a dark day for American workers and a dark day for the American auto industry. On the very same day that General Motors laid off the entire

second shift at the historic Lordstown plant in the Mahoning Valley in Northeast Ohio, we got word that GM plans to build its new Chevy Blazer in Mexico. That is right—the company bypasses American workers, lays off an entire shift, and sends more jobs to Mexico. All this comes on the heels of the windfall GM got from the tax bill Congress passed last year.

GM now can bring some \$7 billion in overseas cash back to the United States at a dramatically lower tax rate, they can immediately deduct the cost of any new investments in plants and equipment, and their overall corporate tax rate dropped by about one-third. They could use that extra cash to invest in Lordstown, to build more cars in America, but what do they do instead? They lay off 1,500 workers—1,500 Ohio workers, 1,500 families affected—in Niles, Ravenna, Kent, Reminderville, Youngstown, Girard, Lordstown, and all over the Mahoney Valley and beyond. That is just a year after they laid off the third shift—more than 1,000 workers—at the same plant. They have some nerve.

The workers at this plant are among the best in the world. The car they make, the Chevy Cruze, beat out the foreign competition in its class last year. For the 2018 models, J.D. Power and Associates named the Cruze among the top two cars in its class. They named the Lordstown plant among the six top plants in the Americas. Anyone who has been to Lordstown wouldn't be surprised.

Ten years ago, the Federal Government rescued the auto industry.

Eight years ago, I actually drove one of the first cars—with Governor Strickland and others—off the line, one of the first Chevy Cruzes coming out of the Lordstown plant.

Two years ago, I stood in Lordstown for the plant's 50th anniversary, and I saw the pride the community takes in that plant. GM estimated that more than 10,000 people—young and old, families with children, workers who had been there almost the entire 50 years, vintage car buffs, former workers—turned out to watch the parade and to celebrate the plant. The line to get into the plant for a tour stretched down the street and around the block. That is what this plant means to the communities it serves. That is what the auto industry means to the communities it serves. It appears General Motors has forgotten some of that. That is why we worked so hard to save this industry, including General Motors, after the economic crisis.

In addition to the Federal auto rescue, the State of Ohio gave GM more than \$80 million in tax incentives. But now, after Ohio gave millions to this company, GM turns its back on Ohio—all while making record profits, all while reaping the rewards of the tax bill paid for by taxpayers.

As a country, as a State, we are invested in this industry. GM needs to invest in America and in Ohio. It needs to invest in the workers and in the communities that built this company and made it great. Instead of making plans to invest in Mexico, GM should be working with workers, with the union, with local officials—with all of us—to invest, instead, in American workers. We have invested in GM; GM should invest in Ohio workers.

I yield the floor.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 6:46 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

RAE OLIVER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, VICE DAVID A. MONTOYA, RESIGNED.

AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RICK A. DEARBORN, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE A DIRECTOR OF THE AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS, VICE JEFFREY R. MORELAND, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

LYNDA BLANCHARD, OF ALABAMA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA.

ROBERT A. DESTRO, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND LABOR, VICE TOMASZ P. MALINOWSKI.

DERECK J. HOGAN, OF VIRGINIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

JOSEPH MAGUIRE, OF FLORIDA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL COUNTERTERRORISM CENTER, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, VICE NICHOLAS J. RASMUSSEN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

ROBERT S. BREWER, JR., OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE LAURA E. DUFFY, RESIGNED.

JASON R. DUNN, OF COLORADO, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JOHN F. WALSH, RESIGNED.

BRADLEY JAY LAROSE, OF VERMONT, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF VERMONT FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE DAVID EDWARD DEMAG, TERM EXPIRED.

MATTHEW J. SCHNEIDER, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE BARBARA L. MCQUADE, RESIGNED.

MARK B. SHEPHERD, OF MISSISSIPPI, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE GEORGE WHITE, TERM EXPIRED.

PETER G. STRASSER, OF LOUISIANA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE KENNETH ALLEN POLITE JR., RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

To be major

MICHAEL A. BASSO-WILLIAMS

WILLIAM J. BERGLIND
DAVID A. KEPHART, JR.
SAINT A. L. MORRIS
TIMOTHY J. SCHAFFNER
IRSHAD A. SHAKIR

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

VIKHYAT S. BEBARTA

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

To be major

MARY F. STUEVER
LAVANYA VISWANATHAN

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

ROCHELL A. MAIER

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

ROBERT C. SOPER

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS CHAPLAINS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be major

VINCENT G. ALCIVAR
RICHARD B. AMMONS
COREY R. ARNOLD
CHRISTOPHER R. BALL
ANGEL L. BERRIOS
CARL O. BROWN
JAMES E. BRYAN
ANDREW E. CALVERT
JOSHUA A. CHITTIM
MATTHEW C. CHRISTENSEN
ROBERT G. COX
ANTHONY B. CUCHENS
ROBERT W. DAVIS, JR.
CHRISTOPHER DOERING
JAMES J. DUWORS
JOHN C. FIMPLE
WALTER L. FRYE
STEVEN W. GLENN
CHRISTIAN E. GROENENDAL
MATTHEW J. HEBBERAND
JEFFERY B. HERDEN
JASON E. HILL
RICHARD A. HILL
JASON C. HOHNBERGER
MICHAEL S. KIM
VINCENT J. LUTTRELL
JOSEPH R. MASON
JOSEPH T. MESSINGER
ERIC J. MILLER
MARK J. MUSSER
MICHAEL J. OROURKE, JR.
JEREMY E. PLEVKA
PETER M. ROBINSON
THOMAS L. SEARLE
JACOB D. SNOODGRASS
JASON W. SOUTHARD
JAMES M. SOUZA
ANDREW T. SPRIENSMAN
DAVID L. S. SPRINKLE
ROBERT W. STERLING
SEUNGIL SUH
ADAM D. TIETJE
JONATHAN D. TODD
PAUL D. TOLBERT
DREW D. TURNER
UZOMA E. UWAKWE
JAMES WARD
JASON V. WEBSTER
MATTHEW L. WHITEHEAD
NATHAN B. WHITHAM
ROY M. WINSTON
DEWAYNE E. WOLF
EDWARD W. WRIGHT

CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate June 25, 2018:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

FRANK T. BROGAN, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.