

to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 119. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax would be detrimental to the United States economy.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 119. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax would be detrimental to the United States economy; to the Committee on Finance.

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-6010. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6011. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad to Australia, New Zealand, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom to support the manufacture of the Communication, Navigation, and Identification (CNI) Audio Control Electronic (ACE) module for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Aircraft (Transmittal No. DDTC 17-074); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6012. A communication from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6013. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Visas: Documentation of Nonimmigrants Under the Immigration and Nationality Act, as Amended" (RIN1400-AD17) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2018; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-277. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urging the United States Congress to adopt the National Park Service's recommendation to extend the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail to include the additional sites along the Lewis and Clark Expedition's Eastern Legacy; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 326

Whereas, The Lewis and Clark Expedition (Expedition) and the Corps of Discovery are nationally significant for their exploration of the Louisiana Territory and search for an all water route to the Pacific Ocean; and

Whereas, Under orders by President Thomas Jefferson, the expedition was responsible for mapping the territory explored, as well as documenting new species of plants and animals and engaging with the Native American tribes they encountered; and

Whereas, Although part of the route was unmapped territory, the Lewis and Clark Expedition was able to use maps provided to them by Native Americans, European explorers and fur traders; and

Whereas, Ultimately, the expedition was able to link routes and maps together to find passage from St. Louis to the Pacific Ocean, a feat that had never before been accomplished; and

Whereas, In order to recognize the historic significance of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, the National Park Service previously designated a trail that runs from Wood River, Illinois, to the West Coast in Oregon and Washington; and

Whereas, Public Law 110-229, passed by the Congress of the United States in 2008, authorized the Secretary of the Interior to study additional sites associated with the preparation and return phases of the expedition, located in Pennsylvania, Virginia, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Missouri and Illinois; and

Whereas, Those sites were to be considered for inclusion in the "Eastern Legacy" of the expedition; and

Whereas, The National Park Service evaluated 25 distinct route segments used by the Corps of Discovery, for the expedition to determine if they met the criteria for national significance established by the National Trails System Act; and

Whereas, In August 2016, the National Park Service published its Draft Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Extension Study, finding that three sections met the criteria established for inclusion in the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, and

Whereas, Those segments include the Ohio River, from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to Louisville, Kentucky; from Louisville, Kentucky, to the confluence with the Mississippi River; and from the Mississippi River's confluence with the Ohio River at Cairo, Illinois, to Wood River, Illinois; and

Whereas, A portion of the proposed extension of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail includes sites along the Ohio River in this Commonwealth; and

Whereas, The inclusion of this segment along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail is not only historically significant and appropriate, but may have a positive economic impact on those ties; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urge the Congress of the United States to adopt the National Park Service's recommendation to extend the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail to include the additional sites along the Lewis and Clark Expedition's Eastern Legacy; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of each chamber of Congress and to each member of Congress from Pennsylvania.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 612. A bill to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Tucson, Arizona, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversionary interest to the City (Rept. No. 115-306).

H.R. 1547. A bill to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Tucson, Arizona, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversionary interest to the City (Rept. No. 115-307).

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. CRUZ (for himself and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO):

S. 3255. A bill to prohibit the President or a Federal agency from constructing, operating, or offering wholesale or retail services on broadband networks without authorization from Congress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CRUZ:

S. Res. 587. A resolution commemorating July 2018 as "Liu Xiaobo Victims of Communism Month"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 45

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 45, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase penalties for individuals who illegally reenter the United States after being removed and for other purposes.

S. 87

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 87, a bill to ensure that State and local law enforcement may cooperate with Federal officials to protect our communities from violent criminals and suspected terrorists who are illegally present in the United States.

S. 130

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 130, a bill to require enforcement against misbranded milk alternatives.

S. 263

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 263, a bill to facilitate efficient State implementation of ground-level ozone standards, and for other purposes.

S. 266

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr.

SULLIVAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 266, a bill to award the Congressional Gold Medal to Anwar Sadat in recognition of his heroic achievements and courageous contributions to peace in the Middle East.

S. 281

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Ms. HEITKAMP) was added as a cosponsor of S. 281, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes.

S. 301

At the request of Mr. LANKFORD, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 301, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit governmental discrimination against providers of health services that are not involved in abortion.

S. 1050

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the names of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1050, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Chinese-American Veterans of World War II, in recognition of their dedicated service during World War II.

S. 1084

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1084, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to require that the Director of the Bureau of Prisons ensure that each chief executive officer of a Federal penal or correctional institution provides a secure storage area located outside of the secure perimeter of the Federal penal or correctional institution for firearms carried by certain employees of the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the distribution of additional residency positions, and for other purposes.

S. 1503

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. GARDNER), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1503, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition of the 60th anniversary of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

S. 1640

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Delaware

(Mr. CARPER) and the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) were added as cosponsors of S. 1640, a bill to reform the financing of Senate elections, and for other purposes.

S. 1682

At the request of Mr. GARDNER, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1682, a bill to facilitate a national pipeline of spectrum for commercial use, and for other purposes.

S. 1806

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1806, a bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 and the Head Start Act to promote child care and early learning, and for other purposes.

S. 2313

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2313, a bill to deter foreign interference in United States elections, and for other purposes.

S. 2468

At the request of Ms. HIRONO, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2468, a bill to provide access to counsel for unaccompanied alien children.

S. 2490

At the request of Mr. SCOTT, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. HELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2490, a bill to amend the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 to modify requirements related to mortgage disclosures.

S. 2506

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2506, a bill to establish an aviation maintenance workforce development pilot program.

S. 2580

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2580, a bill to amend title 13, United States Code, to make clear that each decennial census, as required for the apportionment of Representatives in Congress among the several States, shall tabulate the total number of persons in each State, and to provide that no information regarding United States citizenship or immigration status may be elicited in any such census.

S. 2823

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Ms. HEITKAMP) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2823, a bill to modernize copyright law, and for other purposes.

S. 3045

At the request of Mr. COTTON, the names of the Senator from Georgia

(Mr. PERDUE) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3045, a bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish a safe harbor with respect to keep open letters.

S. 3049

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3049, a bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require paper ballots and risk-limiting audits in all Federal elections, and for other purposes.

S. 3051

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3051, a bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to establish a working group to study regulatory and legislative improvements for the livestock, insect, and agricultural commodities transport industries, and for other purposes.

S. 3155

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3155, a bill to ban the use of ortho-phthalate chemicals as food contact substances.

S. 3160

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3160, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to, and utilization of, bone mass measurement benefits under part B of the Medicare program by establishing a minimum payment amount under such part for bone mass measurement.

S. 3166

At the request of Mrs. ERNST, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3166, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the United States Army Rangers Veterans of World War II in recognition of their extraordinary service during World War II.

S. 3172

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3172, a bill to amend title 54, United States Code, to establish, fund, and provide for the use of amounts in a National Park Service Legacy Restoration Fund to address the maintenance backlog of the National Park Service, and for other purposes.

S. 3174

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3174, a bill to decriminalize marijuana, and for other purposes.

S. 3194

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3194, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to cap prescription drug cost-sharing, and for other purposes.

S. 3207

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3207, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to allow for the deferment of certain student loans during a period in which a borrower is receiving treatment for cancer.

S. 3227

At the request of Ms. HARRIS, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3227, a bill to reunite families separated at or near ports of entry.

S. 3247

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3247, a bill to improve programs and activities relating to women's entrepreneurship and economic empowerment that are carried out by the United States Agency for International Development, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 220

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 220, a resolution expressing solidarity with Falun Gong practitioners who have lost lives, freedoms, and rights for adhering to their beliefs and practices and condemning the practice of non-consenting organ harvesting, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 584

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 584, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate against the making available of current and former diplomats, officials, and members of the Armed Forces of the United States for questioning by the government of Vladimir Putin.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 587—COMMEMORATING JULY 2018 AS “LIU XIAOBO VICTIMS OF COMMUNISM MONTH”

Mr. CRUZ submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 587

Whereas the communist ideology is directly responsible for crimes against humanity;

Whereas communist regimes have been directly responsible for crimes against human-

ity, mass starvations, and the murder of tens of millions of people;

Whereas awareness of the crimes against humanity committed by communist regimes on behalf of communist ideology throughout the world must inform the minds of the people of the United States;

Whereas Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels published “The Communist Manifesto” in February 1848;

Whereas “The Communist Manifesto” defines communism as the “abolition of private property”;

Whereas communists, in the words of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, “openly declare that their ends can be attained only by the forcible overthrow of all existing social conditions”;

Whereas the crimes of communists were justified by class struggle theory and the principle of the dictatorship of the “proletariat”, and used terror as a method to preserve the dictatorship;

Whereas Vladimir Lenin led the October Revolution in 1918 that forcibly overthrew the social and political institutions of Russia and resulted in the establishment of the first communist government in history;

Whereas the subsequent Red Terror that followed the October Revolution claimed the lives of approximately 1,500,000 Russians;

Whereas Vladimir Lenin oversaw the mass campaign of violence of the October Revolution and the Red Terror with no moral qualms, and asked instead: “How can you make a revolution without executions?”;

Whereas the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (referred to in this preamble as the “USSR”) was formally established in 1922;

Whereas the USSR partnered with Adolf Hitler and Nazi Germany in the 1930s, culminating in the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact of 1939;

Whereas the USSR coordinated an invasion of eastern Poland in 1939 according to the terms of a secret additional protocol of the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact of 1939;

Whereas the Red Army of the USSR and Wehrmacht of Germany held a joint military parade in Brest, Poland, after which occupation of the city was transferred to the Red Army;

Whereas, during the USSR occupation of Brest, Poland, the USSR arrested and deported more than 500,000 Jewish refugees, many of whom died en route to Siberia;

Whereas the USSR carried out ruthless violence against religious minorities, including campaigns to suppress the religious traditions and culture of the Jewish population of the USSR;

Whereas tens of thousands of Jews were killed between 1918 and 1920 as a result of organized pogroms during the civil war that followed the Bolshevik Revolution in the USSR;

Whereas the USSR conducted open anti-Semitic campaigns aimed at completely eliminating Jewish cultural life;

Whereas approximately 1,000,000 Jews were killed by the German Einsatzgruppen, or deployment groups, in USSR-occupied territories during World War II;

Whereas, under Joseph Stalin alone, more than 20,000,000 deaths occurred in the USSR as a result of executions, Gulag camps, and famine;

Whereas, during the Great Purge in the USSR, approximately 700,000 political dissidents were executed by gunshot to the back of the head;

Whereas approximately 1,700,000 people died in the Gulag camps, where prisoners ranging from political dissidents to petty criminals were subjected to forced labor, extreme temperatures, and harsh treatment;

Whereas communist agricultural policies caused the Soviet Famine of 1932 to 1933,

which lead to the deaths of an estimated 7,500,000 victims, including the Holodomor, the deliberate genocidal famine of millions of Ukrainians;

Whereas the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe has adopted a resolution declaring the “cruel and deliberate actions and policies of the Soviet regime” that created the Holodomor were responsible for the deaths of millions of people in Ukraine, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Moldova, and Russia;

Whereas the USSR conducted a series of ethnically motivated deportations under extremely harsh conditions, causing the deaths of several hundred thousand victims;

Whereas the USSR funded communist revolutions around the world and trained insurgent forces to topple existing governments, including those in Mongolia, Romania, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Cuba, North Korea, and China;

Whereas agents associated with the USSR entered the Mongolian People's Republic to engineer the Mongolian Great Terror, in which approximately 35,000 people were executed, including approximately 18,000 Buddhist lamas;

Whereas the Socialist Republic of Romania, a Soviet-backed, communist regime, committed massive human rights violations, killing or persecuting as many as 2,000,000 people between 1945 and 1989;

Whereas the USSR recognized the independence of North Vietnam, legitimizing the insurgency of Ho Chi Minh against France, as a means of fighting against the United States;

Whereas, during the Vietnam War, communist North Vietnam caused the deaths of approximately 58,220 Americans;

Whereas nearly 365,000 Vietnamese civilians are estimated to have died as a result of the Vietnam War, including in the horrific massacre by North Vietnam at Huế, Vietnam;

Whereas, after the Vietnam War, the Communist Party of Vietnam is estimated to have caused the deaths of approximately 430,000 people through executions, deportations, and causing people to flee persecution, many of whom were lost at sea;

Whereas the Government of Vietnam continues to suppress the basic human and civil rights of its citizens, including freedom of speech, the press, association, and religion;

Whereas human rights activists and bloggers in Vietnam face harassment, intimidation, physical assault, and imprisonment at the hands of the Government of Vietnam;

Whereas the deaths of approximately 85,000 people during and after the Laotian Civil War are attributable to the incursions of communist North Vietnam;

Whereas the USSR and North Vietnam helped install the communist Lao People's Revolutionary Party (referred to in this preamble as the “LPRP”) as the sole political party of Laos;

Whereas the LPRP has been accused of committing genocide against the Hmong people, with up to 100,000 people killed out of a population of 400,000;

Whereas the LPRP still restricts many of the civil and political rights of its citizens, including freedom of speech, association, religion, and assembly;

Whereas the USSR and North Vietnam supported the Communist Party of Kampuchea (referred to in this preamble as the “Khmer Rouge”) in overthrowing the government of the King of Cambodia;

Whereas, under the leadership of Pol Pot, the Khmer Rouge carried out the Cambodian genocide, which caused the deaths of a ¼ of the population of Cambodia in only 4 years;