

of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Philippine Sea, Tinian" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0194)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6244. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Philippine Sea, Rota" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0183)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6245. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fireworks Display, Little Egg Harbor, Long Beach, NJ" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0615)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6246. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Fireworks Display, Shark River, Neptune, NJ" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0614)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6247. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Waterview Loft Fireworks II, Detroit River, Detroit, MI" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0722)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6248. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Waterview Loft Fireworks I, Detroit River, Detroit, MI" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0727)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6249. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Natchez, MS" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0708)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6250. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Kanawha River, Nitro, WV" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0686)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6251. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Pipeline Construction, Ten-

nessee River Miles 465 to 466, Chattanooga, TN" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0698)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6252. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Lake Washington, Seattle, WA" (RIN1625-AA11) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0027)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## 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. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 3355. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to remove the manifestation period required for the presumptions of service connection for chloracne, porphyria cutanea tarda, and acute and subacute peripheral neuropathy associated with exposure to certain herbicide agents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. HASSAN (for herself, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. JONES, and Mr. YOUNG):

S. 3356. A bill to require the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service to submit to Congress a report on the health effects of new psychoactive substances (including synthetic drugs) use; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. WARREN:

S. 3357. A bill to improve the anti-corruption and public integrity laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 3358. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the volume cap for private activity bonds shall not apply to bonds for facilities for furnishing of water and sewage facilities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. HARRIS (for herself, Mr. HATCH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. PETERS, Mr. COONS, Mr. BOOKER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. CARPER, Mr. JONES, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WARREN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. NELSON, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Ms. HASSAN):

S. 3359. A bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Aretha Franklin in recognition of her contributions of outstanding artistic and historical significance to culture in the United States; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3360. A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to improve access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas, including by encouraging the provision of broadband loans and grants to increase broadband service in emerging harbor projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Ms. BALDWIN):

S. 3361. A bill to safeguard certain technology and intellectual property in the United States from export to or influence by

the People's Republic of China and to protect United States industry from unfair competition by the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. MURPHY, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 610. A resolution urging the release of information regarding the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks upon the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Mr. PERDUE):

S. Res. 611. A resolution opposing the targeted harassment of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers and employees and reaffirming the fundamental principle that public safety services should be provided without discrimination; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 428

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 428, a bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to authorize States to provide coordinated care to children with complex medical conditions through enhanced pediatric health homes, and for other purposes.

S. 593

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 593, a bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States.

S. 720

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 720, a bill to amend the Export Administration Act of 1979 to include in the prohibitions on boycotts against allies of the United States boycotts fostered by international governmental organizations against Israel and to direct the Export-Import Bank of the United States to oppose boycotts against Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 1050

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor 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. 1299

At the request of Mr. PETERS, the name of the Senator from Montana

(Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the occurrence of diabetes in Medicare beneficiaries by extending coverage under Medicare for medical nutrition therapy services to such beneficiaries with pre-diabetes or with risk factors for developing type 2 diabetes.

S. 1919

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1919, a bill to end the use of body-gripping traps in the National Wildlife Refuge System.

S. 2076

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the expansion of activities related to Alzheimer's disease, cognitive decline, and brain health under the Alzheimer's Disease and Healthy Aging Program, and for other purposes.

S. 2506

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

S. 2515

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2515, a bill to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian Tribes, and for other purposes.

S. 2524

At the request of Mr. DONNELLY, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2524, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize a loan repayment program for substance use disorder treatment employees, and for other purposes.

S. 2554

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2554, a bill to ensure that health insurance issuers and group health plans do not prohibit pharmacy providers from providing certain information to enrollees.

S. 2795

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2795, a bill to provide for programs to help reduce the risk that prisoners will recidivate upon release from prison, and for other purposes.

S. 2842

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2842, a bill to prohibit the marketing of bogus opioid treatment programs or products.

S. 2920

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2920, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to impose certain requirements under the Medicare program with respect to outlier prescribers of opioids.

S. 2924

At the request of Mr. SCOTT, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2924, a bill to encourage the use of family-focused residential treatment programs for substance use disorder treatment.

S. 3049

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) 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. 3057

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3057, a bill to provide for the processing by U.S. Customs and Border Protection of certain international mail shipments and to require the provision of advance electronic information on international mail shipments of mail.

S. 3060

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3060, a bill to repeal section 2141 of the Revised Statutes to remove the prohibition on certain alcohol manufacturing on Indian lands.

S. 3140

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mrs. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3140, a bill to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, to provide for the establishment of a trust for the benefit of all unpaid cash sellers of livestock, and for other purposes.

S. 3257

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. KENNEDY) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) were added as cosponsors of S. 3257, a bill to impose sanctions on foreign persons responsible for serious violations of international law regarding the protection of civilians during armed conflict, and for other purposes.

S. 3290

At the request of Mr. COTTON, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. LANKFORD) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) were added as cosponsors of S. 3290, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

S. RES. 109

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 109, a resolution encouraging the Government of Pakistan to release Aasiya Noreen, internationally known as Asia Bibi, and reform its religiously intolerant laws regarding blasphemy.

S. RES. 606

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 606, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States condemns all forms of violence against children globally and recognizes the harmful impacts of violence against children.

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 606, *supra*.

S. RES. 607

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 607, a resolution reaffirming the vital and indispensable role the free press serves.

AMENDMENT NO. 3691

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3691 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3702

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) and the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3702 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3703

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3703 proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3709

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mrs. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3709 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3720

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of

amendment No. 3720 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3731

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3731 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3735

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3735 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3751

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3751 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3763

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3763 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3793

At the request of Mr. MURPHY, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3793 intended to be proposed to H.R. 6157, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

# STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3360. A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to improve access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas, including by encouraging the provision of broadband loans and grants to increase broadband service in emerging harbor projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, today I am introducing the Broadband Internet for Small Ports Act to help small ports access broadband loans and grants, which will increase internet service in rural coastal communities nationwide.

Nearly a third of Americans lack access to high-speed internet, and there is a considerable digital divide between rural and urban America. Rural communities must be brought up to speed so that all Americans can compete online in a global economy.

In rural coastal areas people congregate near inland and small ports, and these harbors act as hubs for commerce and tourism. This bill recognizes the importance of small ports to their rural economies. This bill will help small ports nationwide get Federal loans and grants and improve their broadband coverage, thereby enabling working-waterfronts to order inventory and coordinate deliveries, access real-time weather updates, and grow economically.

Broadband loan and grant applications submitted to the Department of Agriculture's Rural Utility Service are assigned different levels of priority before they are awarded. This bill recognizes the importance of small ports, and elevates the priority of applications seeking to boost internet capacity. This bill states that broadband loan and grant applications from small ports will be considered equal in priority to applications that are developed with the participation of a nonprofit or philanthropic organization.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 3360

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

## SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Broadband Internet for Small Ports Act".

## SEC. 2. ACCESS TO BROADBAND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN RURAL AREAS.

Section 601 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 950bb) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking "loans and" and inserting "grants, loans, and";

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) in the subsection heading, by striking "LOANS AND" and inserting "GRANTS, LOANS, AND";

(B) in paragraph (1), by inserting "make grants and" after "Secretary shall";

(C) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

"(2) PRIORITY.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—In making grants, loans, or loan guarantees under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

"(i) give the highest priority to applications for projects to provide broadband service to unserved rural communities that do not have any residential broadband service;

"(ii) give priority to applications for projects to provide the maximum level of broadband service to the greatest proportion of rural households in the proposed service area identified in the application;

"(iii) give priority to applications for projects to provide rapid and expanded deployment of fixed and mobile broadband on cropland and ranchland within a service territory for use in various applications of precision agriculture;

"(iv) provide equal consideration to all eligible entities, including those that have not

previously received grants, loans, or loan guarantees under paragraph (1); and

"(v) with respect to 2 or more applications that are given the same priority under clause (i), give priority to an application that requests less grant funding than loan funding.

"(B) OTHER.—After giving priority to the applications described in clauses (i) and (ii) of subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall then give priority to applications—

"(i) for projects to provide broadband service to rural communities—

"(I) with a population of less than 10,000 permanent residents;

"(II) that are experiencing outmigration and have adopted a strategic community investment plan under section 379H(d) that includes considerations for improving and expanding broadband service;

"(III) with a high percentage of low income families or persons (as defined in section 501(b) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1471(b))); or

"(IV) that are isolated from other significant population centers; and

"(ii) that were developed with the participation of, and will receive a substantial portion of the funding for the project from, 1 or more stakeholders, including—

"(I) State, local, and tribal governments;

"(II) nonprofit institutions;

"(III) community anchor institutions, such as—

"(aa) public libraries;

"(bb) elementary schools and secondary schools (as defined in section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801));

"(cc) institutions of higher education; and

"(dd) health care facilities;

"(IV) private entities; and

"(V) philanthropic organizations.

"(C) EMERGING HARBOR PROJECTS PRIORITY.—In addition to the priority given under subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall give equal priority to an application for a project that would increase the availability of broadband service in an emerging harbor project (as defined in section 210(f) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2238(f))), without regard to whether the application is from an emerging harbor project.

"(D) IDENTIFICATION OF UNSERVED COMMUNITIES.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of an application given the highest priority under subparagraph (A)(i), the Secretary shall confirm that each unserved rural community identified in the application is eligible for funding by—

"(I) conferring with and obtaining data from the Chair of the Federal Communications Commission and the Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration with respect to the service level in the service area proposed in the application;

"(II) reviewing any other source that is relevant to service data validation, as determined by the Secretary; and

"(III) performing site-specific testing to verify the unavailability of any residential broadband service in the unserved rural community.

"(ii) ADJUSTMENTS.—Not less often than once every 2 years, the Secretary shall review, and may adjust through notice published in the Federal Register, the unserved communities identified under clause (i)."; and

(D) by adding at the end the following:

"(3) GRANT AMOUNTS.—

"(A) DEFINITION OF DEVELOPMENT COSTS.—In this paragraph, the term 'development costs' means costs of—