

too often underserved—to focus our efforts.

Remember, these institutions compete with each other every day, but together, we came up with unified roadmap—a set of common goals and commitments that are endorsed by all 10 hospitals.

Over the next 3 years, these 10 hospitals will expand economic opportunities for local residents by: increasing local hiring by 15 percent—that means hundreds, or thousands, of new local hires; increasing the goods they purchase from local businesses by 20 percent—meaning millions in procurement dollars; and expanding summer employment, internships, and job training programs for residents in health fields.

The 10 hospitals are committing to opening new health clinics in schools and community centers and expanding the availability of mental health services.

They will enhance their clinical healthcare practices by increasing lead screening rates by 15 percent, reducing opioid prescribing by 20 percent, prioritizing maternal and infant health outcomes, and researching gun violence.

This new hospital-led effort is focused on two things: reducing gun violence and healthcare inequality. It is called the Chicago HEAL Initiative: “Hospital Engagement, Action and Leadership.”

According to the American Hospital Association, it may be the first such regional hospital partnership to tackle a local issue. The hospitals in the Chicago HEAL Initiative are already working on many these goals through an impressive variety of programs, but this new initiative will drive real change by bringing a new sense of partnership and focusing on activities outside of hospitals’ traditional services within their four walls.

I am pleased to launch this new effort, and will do whatever I can in Washington to help reduce violence and uplift communities.

160TH ANNIVERSARY OF YWCA

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I wish to congratulate the YWCA for its dedication to supporting women, girls, and their families in honor of the organization’s 160th anniversary.

YWCA is one of the oldest, largest, and most inclusive organizations in our Nation, and it has maintained a long history of distinguished service. The organization has been the forefront at some of the most important social movements of our time, from civil rights and women’s equality, to healthcare reform and gender-based violence prevention.

Nationwide, YWCA has 210 local associations across 47 States and the District of Columbia that help to empower 2 million women, girls, and their families each year. In my home State of Washington, there are 11 YWCA local

associations, all of which have been proudly serving women and girls for over 60 years. These YWCAs protect and empower hundreds of thousands of Washingtonian women and children each year, and I am grateful for their work.

YWCA is the largest network of domestic violence service providers in our Nation and provides critical services to more than half a million women and girls each year, including support programs for survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence. Now, more than ever, this is vital to ensuring the safety and well-being of survivors across the country. Additionally, YWCA associations offer economic empowerment programs that engage over 260,000 women and racial justice education and training programs that engage over 160,000 people.

I stand today in strong support of YWCA’s mission to eliminate racism, empower women, stand up for social justice, promote peace, help families, and strengthen local communities.

I offer congratulations to YWCA on your 160 years of improving the lives of women and girls across the United States.

Thank you.

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. President, today I wish to congratulate the YWCA for 160 years of service dedicated to supporting women, girls, and their families across the United States.

Throughout its storied history, YWCA has been committed to eliminating racism, empowering women, and freedom and dignity for all.

YWCA has been at the forefront of many critical social movements, including civil rights, women’s empowerment, gender-based violence prevention, and more. Additionally, it is the largest network of domestic violence and sexual assault service providers in the country, reaching more than half a million women and girls annually.

Serving a total of more than 2 million women, girls, and their families each year, with 210 local associations across 46 States and the District of Columbia, this organization’s impact is vast, but its focus is local.

In Ohio, there are 14 YWCA associations, and I am proud of the work they do in my State. I have worked to help YWCA’s important mission through my legislation to combat sex trafficking, help those gripped by addiction—particularly mothers and children—get the care they need, improve prisoner reentry, allow kids aging out of foster care to more easily access Federal support for housing, and more.

YWCA breaks barriers and empowers women to help them live up to their God-given potential. Congratulations on your 160 years of improving the lives of women and girls—and on many more to come.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 2:16 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by

Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS) has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 2269. An act to reauthorize the Global Food Security Act of 2016 for 5 additional years.

S. 3354. An act to amend the Missing Children’s Assistance Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3508. An act to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Act to promote international action to reduce marine debris, and for other purposes.

S. 3509. An act to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

At 3:23 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 49. Concurrent resolution providing for a correction in the enrollment of S. 2553.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 6737. An act to amend the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act to clarify seasoning requirements for certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 6964. An act to reauthorize and improve the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, October 2, 2018, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 2269. An act to reauthorize the Global Food Security Act of 2016 for 5 additional years.

S. 3354. An act to amend the Missing Children’s Assistance Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3508. An act to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Act to promote international action to reduce marine debris, and for other purposes.

S. 3509. An act to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act.

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-6725. A communication from the Chair of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve

System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report to Congress on the Presidential \$1 Dollar Coin Program"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6726. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Department's activities during calendar year 2017 relative to the Equal Credit Opportunity Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6727. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indemnification Payments" (RIN2590-AA68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 1, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6728. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism all amounts (including rescissions) and contributions from foreign governments so designated by the Congress in the Department of Defense and Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Act, 2019, pursuant to section 251 (b) (2) (A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, for the enclosed list of accounts; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-6729. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism all funding so designated by the Congress in the Department of Defense and Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Act, 2019, pursuant to section 251 (b) (2) (A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, for the accounts referenced in section 7058(d) of Public Law 115-141 and continued under the Act; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-6730. A communication from the Division Chief of Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation; Rescission or Revision of Certain Requirements" (RIN1004-AE53) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6731. A communication from the Division Chief of Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Minerals Management: Adjustment of Cost Recovery Fees" (RIN1004-AE57) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6732. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations and Standards Branch, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil and Gas and Sulfur Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf—Oil and Gas and Production Safety Systems" (RIN1014-AA37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6733. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, reports of the trade advisory committees regarding a trade agreement with Mexico and Canada; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6734. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2018-0157-2018-0161); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6735. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Outdated and Superseded Regulations—Career and Technical Education National Programs" (RIN1830-AA24, 1830-AA25, 1830-AA26, 1830-AA27, 1830-AA28, 1830-AA29, and 1830-AA30) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6736. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Listing of Color Additives Subject to Certification; D and C Yellow No. 8" (Docket No. FDA-2017-C-2902) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6737. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tax Withholding on Court Ordered Payments" (5 CFR Part 1653) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6738. A communication from the Impact Analyst, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB) Verification Guidelines" (RIN2900-AP97) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6739. A communication from the Regulation Policy Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Acquisition Regulation: Taxes; Quality Assurance; Transportation; Solicitation Provisions and Contract Clauses; and Special Procurement Controls" (RIN2900-AQ04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6740. A communication from the Regulation Policy Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of Domiciliary Care" (RIN2900-AP00) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 645. A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to conduct an assessment and analysis of the effects of broadband deployment and adoption on the economy of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-341).

S. 2343. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to establish a task

force for meeting the connectivity and technology needs of precision agriculture in the United States (Rept. No. 115-342).

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1896. A bill to amend section 8331 of title 5, United States Code, and the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to clarify the treatment of availability pay for Federal air marshals and criminal investigators of the Transportation Security Administration, 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 Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 3536. A bill to amend the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act to clarify seasoning requirements for certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BOOKER:

S. 3537. A bill to provide an increased allocation of funding under certain programs for assistance in persistent poverty counties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. HARRIS:

S. 3538. A bill to establish pilot programs for, and require the development of policies with respect to, the use of body-worn cameras by officers and agents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 3539. A bill to prohibit the General Services Administration from awarding contracts to certain insured depository institutions that avoid doing business with certain companies that are engaged in lawful commerce based solely on social policy considerations; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CARPER, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. WARNER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. WARREN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. JONES, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. UDALL, Mr. KAINE, Mr. REED, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 3540. A bill to provide a coordinated regional response to manage effectively the endemic violence and humanitarian crisis in El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. ROBERTS, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. REED, Mr. BROWN, Mr. KING, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. SANDERS):