

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2200. A bill to reauthorize the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. INHOFE for the Committee on Armed Services.

Army nomination of Gen. Robert B. Abrams, to be General.

Navy nomination of Vice Adm. Craig S. Faller, to be Admiral.

Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. Jerry D. Harris, Jr., to be Lieutenant General.

Navy nomination of Vice Adm. Andrew L. Lewis, to be Vice Admiral.

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

Air Force nominations beginning with Bruce A. Abbott and ending with Shirley B. Ziser, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 18, 2018.

Air Force nominations beginning with Patrick C. Degraaf and ending with Christopher L. Pridgen, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 24, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Gary W. Brock, Jr. and ending with John M. Wilson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 20, 2018.

Army nomination of John J. Kaikkonen, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Marc A. Patterson, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of James B. Elledge, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Micah B. Bell and ending with Tanya R. Trout, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 28, 2018.

Navy nominations beginning with Capt. Marcus N. Fulton and ending with Capt. Frank D. Hutchison, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 11, 2018.

Navy nomination of Tilford L. Clark, to be Commander.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

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. HEITKAMP (for herself, Mr. MORAN, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 3563. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide the work oppor-

tunity tax credit with respect to hiring veterans who are receiving educational assistance under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs or Defense; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. WICKER):

S. 3564. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish pilot programs to assist low-income households in maintaining access to sanitation services and drinking water, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself and Mr. CASSIDY):

S. 3565. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to include additional covered recipients for transparency reports required of manufacturers of opioids; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. HEITKAMP (for herself, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 3566. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the qualifying advanced coal project credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3567. A bill to prohibit the use of funds for the operation or construction of internment camps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. HEITKAMP:

S. 3568. A bill to amend the Social Security Act and Public Health Service Act to improve obstetric care in rural areas; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. GARDNER:

S. 3569. A bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to extend the jurisdiction of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to include the setting of reference prices for aluminum premiums, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 3570. A bill to establish a Federal cost share percentage for the St. Mary Storage Unit of the Milk River Project in the State of Montana; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3571. A bill to authorize the acquisition of land for addition to the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site in the State of New York, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. PAUL:

S.J. Res. 65. A joint resolution relating to the disapproval of the proposed export to the Government of the Kingdom of Bahrain of certain defense articles and services; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. BENNET):

S. Res. 671. A resolution designating September 29, 2018, as "National Urban Wildlife Refuge Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. GARDNER):

S. Res. 672. A resolution expressing the sense of Congress that electric cooperative voluntary energy reduction programs reduce energy consumption and save participants money; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 322

At the request of Mr. PETERS, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 322, a bill to protect victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence from emotional and psychological trauma caused by acts of violence or threats of violence against their pets.

S. 479

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the names of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) and the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 479, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to waive coinsurance under Medicare for colorectal cancer screening tests, regardless of whether therapeutic intervention is required during the screening.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. PETERS, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) 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. 1989

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to enhance transparency and accountability for online political advertisements by requiring those who purchase and publish such ads to disclose information about the advertisements to the public, and for other purposes.

S. 2341

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2341, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processing of veterans benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs, to limit the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to recover overpayments made by the Department and other amounts owed by veterans to the United States, to improve the due process accorded veterans with respect to such recovery, and for other purposes.

S. 2351

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2351, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide that an individual may remain eligible to participate in the teacher loan forgiveness program under title IV of such Act if the individual's period of consecutive years of employment as a full-time teacher is interrupted because the individual is the spouse of a member of the Armed Forces who is relocated during

the school year pursuant to military orders for a permanent change of duty station, and for other purposes.

S. 2432

At the request of Mr. YOUNG, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2432, a bill to amend the charter of the Future Farmers of America, and for other purposes.

S. 2884

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2884, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a standard letter format to be provided to individuals who are indebted to the United States by virtue of their participation in benefits programs administered by the Secretary, to provide notice of debt by electronic means to such individuals when so elected, and for other purposes.

S. 2918

At the request of Ms. HARRIS, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2918, a bill to amend the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993 to protect civil rights and otherwise prevent meaningful harm to third parties, and for other purposes.

S. 2957

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) were added as cosponsors of S. 2957, a bill to amend the Horse Protection Act to designate additional unlawful acts under the Act, strengthen penalties for violations of the Act, improve Department of Agriculture enforcement of the Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2971

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2971, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit animal fighting in the United States territories.

S. 3020

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3020, a bill to establish in the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor of the Department of State a Special Envoy for the Human Rights of LGBTI Peoples, and for other purposes.

S. 3063

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3063, a bill to delay the reimposition of the annual fee on health insurance providers until after 2020.

S. 3177

At the request of Mr. SCOTT, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3177, a bill to amend the Financial Stability Act of 2010 to include the State insurance commissioner as a

voting member of the Financial Stability Oversight Council, and for other purposes.

S. 3215

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3215, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to require the development of a bus operations safety risk reduction program, and for other purposes.

S. 3257

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor 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. 3258

At the request of Ms. HEITKAMP, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3258, a bill to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to provide adjustment assistance to farmers adversely affected by reduced exports resulting from tariffs imposed as retaliation for United States tariff increases, and for other purposes.

S. 3321

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3321, a bill to award Congressional Gold Medals to Katherine Johnson and Dr. Christine Darden and to posthumously award Congressional Gold Medals to Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson in recognition of their contributions to the success of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration during the Space Race.

S. 3338

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3338, a bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to finalize certain proposed provisions relating to the Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) under the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

S. 3405

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3405, a bill to reauthorize the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program of the Department of Homeland Security.

S. 3407

At the request of Ms. HEITKAMP, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3407, a bill to offset retaliatory duties against the United States by establishing a fund to promote the exports of United States agricultural commodities and products.

S. 3442

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) was added as a cosponsor

of S. 3442, a bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 105 Duff Street in Macon, Missouri, as the "Arla W. Harrell Post Office".

S. 3449

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3449, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain tax credits related to electric cars, and for other purposes.

S. 3505

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3505, a bill to provide for partnerships among State and local governments, regional entities, and the private sector to preserve, conserve, and enhance the visitor experience at nationally significant battlefields of the American Revolution, War of 1812, and Civil War, and for other purposes.

S. 3517

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3517, a bill to limit the use of funds for kinetic military operations in or against Iran.

S. 3540

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S.J. RES. 64

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH), the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), the Senator from North Dakota (Ms. HEITKAMP), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Kaine) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 64, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of the Treasury relating to "Returns by Exempt Organizations and Returns by Certain Non-Exempt Organizations".

S. CON. RES. 42

At the request of Ms. HARRIS, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 42, a concurrent resolution supporting America's clean car standards and defending State authority under the Clean Air Act to protect their citizens from harmful air pollution.

S. RES. 220

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) 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. 606

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) were added as cosponsors 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.

S. RES. 629

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 629, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to enhanced relations with the Republic of Moldova and support for Moldova's territorial integrity.

S. RES. 633

At the request of Mrs. McCASKILL, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 633, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should take all appropriate measures to ensure that the United States Postal Service remains an independent establishment of the Federal Government and is not subject to privatization.

S. RES. 665

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 665, a resolution designating October 2018 as "National Employee Ownership Month".

S. RES. 667

At the request of Mr. PERDUE, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 667, a resolution condemning persecution of religious minorities in the People's Republic of China and any actions that limit their free expression and practice of faith.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 671—DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 29, 2018, AS "NATIONAL URBAN WILDLIFE REFUGE DAY"

Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. BENNET) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 671

Whereas over 80 percent of people in the United States live in or near cities, which typically have limited opportunities for residents to access nature and experience outdoor recreation;

Whereas the National Wildlife Refuge System under the United States Fish and Wildlife Service manages 566 national wildlife refuges that constitute a national network of land and water managed for the conservation of fish, wildlife, and plants in the United States;

Whereas national wildlife refuges provide opportunities for people to discover and appreciate nature;

Whereas there is a refuge located within a 1-hour drive of every metropolitan area in the United States;

Whereas the Urban Wildlife Conservation Program under the United States Fish and Wildlife Service—

(1) focuses on introducing people living in densely populated areas to the more than 100 national wildlife refuges near urban areas; and

(2) promotes wildlife conservation and the enjoyment of hunting, fishing, and other wildlife-dependent recreational activities close to where people live;

Whereas the Urban Wildlife Conservation Program focuses on public-private partnerships—

(1) to improve wildlife conservation; and

(2) to promote access to recreation on and off national wildlife refuges, including recreational activities such as hunting and fishing; and

Whereas by exploring community-centered approaches to address local needs, engaging the next generation of anglers and hunters, and providing infrastructure and safe access, the Urban Wildlife Conservation Program helps local organizations, cities, and towns across the United States engage in conservation activities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates September 29, 2018, as "National Urban Wildlife Refuge Day";

(2) encourages the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to increase access to outdoor recreational opportunities for urban communities;

(3) encourages the people of the United States to visit and experience the more than 100 urban national wildlife refuges of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 672—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF CONGRESS THAT ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE VOLUNTARY ENERGY REDUCTION PROGRAMS REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND SAVE PARTICIPANTS MONEY

Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. GARDNER) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 672

Whereas "Beat the Peak" is an electric cooperative voluntary energy reduction pro-

gram that saves participants money and encourages reduced energy usage by notifying participants of periods of peak energy consumption;

Whereas participants in electric cooperative voluntary energy reduction programs such as "Beat the Peak"—

(1) receive alerts during periods of peak energy usage when the price for energy is expected to be high; and

(2) have the opportunity to decrease power usage when demand and price are at the highest level;

Whereas participation in electric cooperative voluntary energy reduction programs reduces energy costs for all cooperative members;

Whereas electric cooperatives are non-profit utilities that transfer cost savings directly to cooperative members;

Whereas the 4 hottest summers on record have occurred during the 5-year period preceding the date of enactment of this resolution;

Whereas extreme temperatures produce sustained peak energy prices in competitive wholesale electricity markets;

Whereas electric cooperatives work to provide rural areas in the United States with safe, reliable, and affordable electricity;

Whereas electric cooperatives operate 833 electric distribution centers and 62 electric generation and transmission facilities;

Whereas electric cooperatives provide power to 42,000,000 people in the United States and cover 56 percent of the landmass of the United States;

Whereas Delaware Electric Cooperative, the first electric cooperative to create a "Beat the Peak" program, has saved members \$27,000,000 over the 10-year period preceding the date of enactment of this resolution and is on track to save members \$2,300,000 in 2018;

Whereas over 90 electric cooperatives across the United States offer "Beat the Peak" demand response programs; and

Whereas increased awareness of electric cooperative voluntary energy reduction programs may result in many more electric cooperatives adopting and offering those programs: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) celebrates the economic and conservation benefits of electric cooperative voluntary energy reduction programs such as "Beat the Peak";

(2) recognizes that voluntary energy reduction programs reduce energy usage, help the environment, and save money;

(3) encourages electric cooperatives across the United States—

(A) to adopt voluntary energy reduction programs such as "Beat the Peak"; and

(B) to promote those programs to members; and

(4) commends electric cooperatives that offer and support voluntary energy reduction programs.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4053. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3523, to amend title 10, United States Code, to require a full military honors ceremony for certain deceased veterans, and for other purposes; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4053. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3523, to amend title