

By Mr. MCCONNELL:

S. Res. 700. A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Walter "Dee" Hudleston, former United States Senator for the Commonwealth of Kentucky; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. DAINES, and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. Res. 701. A resolution designating November 15, 2018, as "National GIS Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. ROUNDS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. UDALL, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. MORAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. TESTER, Ms. SMITH, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. KING):

S. Res. 702. A resolution recognizing National Native American Heritage Month and celebrating the heritages and cultures of Native Americans and the contributions of Native Americans to the United States; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. YOUNG (for himself and Mr. DONNELLY):

S. Res. 703. A resolution expressing support for the goals of Stomach Cancer Awareness Month; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. THUNE:

S. Con. Res. 51. A concurrent resolution to correct the enrollment of S. 140; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Con. Res. 52. A concurrent resolution commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Security Consultative Meeting between the Republic of Korea and the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 194

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 194, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a public health insurance option, and for other purposes.

S. 262

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 262, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the section 45 credit for refined coal from steel industry fuel, and for other purposes.

S. 352

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) were added as cosponsors of S. 352, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Master Sergeant Rodrick "Roddie" Edmonds in recognition of his heroic actions during World War II.

S. 379

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 379, a bill to amend title

II of the Social Security Act to eliminate the five month waiting period for disability insurance benefits under such title for individuals with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.

S. 445

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 445, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program.

S. 469

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 469, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to allow for the importation of affordable and safe drugs by wholesale distributors, pharmacies, and individuals.

S. 477

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 477, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to coordinate Federal congenital heart disease research and surveillance efforts and to improve public education and awareness of congenital heart disease, and for other purposes.

S. 479

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 479, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to waive co-insurance under Medicare for colorectal cancer screening tests, regardless of whether therapeutic intervention is required during the screening.

S. 568

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 568, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to count a period of receipt of outpatient observation services in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services under Medicare.

S. 662

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 662, a bill to provide incentives for hate crime reporting, grants for State-run hate crime hotlines, a Federal private right of action for victims of hate crimes, and additional penalties for individuals convicted under the Matthew Shephard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act.

S. 774

At the request of Ms. HEITKAMP, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 774, a bill to address the psychological, developmental, social, and emotional needs of children, youth, and families who have experienced trauma, and for other purposes.

S. 796

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 796, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion for employer-provided education assistance to employer payments of student loans.

S. 802

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON), the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 802, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal in honor of Lawrence Eugene "Larry" Doby in recognition of his achievements and contributions to American major league athletics, civil rights, and the Armed Forces during World War II.

S. 1063

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1063, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish direct care registered nurse-to-patient staffing ratio requirements in hospitals, and for other purposes.

S. 1109

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1109, a bill to amend title VIII of the Public Health Service Act to extend advanced education nursing grants to support clinical nurse specialist programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1112

At the request of Ms. HEITKAMP, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1112, a bill to support States in their work to save and sustain the health of mothers during pregnancy, childbirth, and in the postpartum period, to eliminate disparities in maternal health outcomes for pregnancy-related and pregnancy-associated deaths, to identify solutions to improve health care quality and health outcomes for mothers, and for other purposes.

S. 1922

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1922, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children, and for other purposes.

S. 1942

At the request of Ms. HEITKAMP, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1942, a bill to direct the Attorney General to review, revise, and develop law enforcement and justice protocols appropriate to address missing and murdered Indians, and for other purposes.

S. 2171

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mrs. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2171, a bill to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to set the rate of pay for employees of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection in accordance with the General Schedule.

S. 2259

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2259, a bill to establish certain duties for pharmacies to ensure provision of Food and Drug Administration-approved contraception, medication related to contraception, and for other purposes.

S. 2387

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) and the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) were added as cosponsors of S. 2387, a bill to provide better care and outcomes for Americans living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and their caregivers while accelerating progress toward prevention strategies, disease modifying treatments, and, ultimately, a cure.

S. 2961

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2961, a bill to reauthorize subtitle A of the Victims of Child Abuse Act of 1990.

S. 3050

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3050, a bill to improve executive agency digital services, and for other purposes.

S. 3517

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) 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. 3622

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3622, a bill to condemn gross human rights violations of ethnic Turkic Muslims in Xinjiang, and calling for an end to arbitrary detention, torture, and harassment of these communities inside and outside China.

S. 3624

At the request of Ms. HARRIS, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3624, a bill to reduce the ability of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to engage in inappropriate civil immigration enforcement actions that harm unaccompanied alien children and to ensure the safety and welfare of unaccompanied alien children.

S. 3626

At the request of Mr. MURPHY, the name of the Senator from Pennsyl-

vania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3626, a bill to prohibit and prevent seclusion and to prevent and reduce the use of physical restraint in schools, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. Kaine):

S. 3631. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to improve the transportation infrastructure finance and innovation (TIFIA) program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Mr. CORNYN. 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. 3631

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 "Revitalizing American Priorities for Infrastructure Development Act" or the "RAPID Act".

SEC. 2. TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION PROGRAM.

(a) ELIGIBILITY.—Section 602(a)(2) of title 23, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)(iv)—

(A) by striking "a rating" and inserting "an investment-grade rating"; and

(B) by striking "\$75,000,000" and inserting "\$150,000,000"; and

(2) in subparagraph (B)—

(A) by striking "the senior debt" and inserting "senior debt"; and

(B) by striking "credit instrument is for an amount less than \$75,000,000" and inserting "total amount of other senior debt and the Federal credit instrument is less than \$150,000,000".

(b) STREAMLINED APPLICATION PROCESS.—Section 603(f) of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(3) ADDITIONAL TERMS FOR EXPEDITED DECISIONS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary shall implement an expedited decision timeline for public agency borrowers seeking secured loans that meet—

"(i) the terms under paragraph (2); and

"(ii) the additional criteria described in subparagraph (B).

"(B) ADDITIONAL CRITERIA.—The additional criteria referred to in subparagraph (A)(ii) are the following:

"(i) The secured loan is made on terms and conditions that substantially conform to the conventional terms and conditions established by the National Surface Transportation Innovative Finance Bureau.

"(ii) The secured loan is rated in the A category or higher.

"(iii) The TIFIA program share of eligible project costs is 33 percent or less.

"(iv) The applicant demonstrates a reasonable expectation that the contracting process for the project can commence by not later than 90 days after the date on which a Federal credit instrument is obligated for the project under the TIFIA program.

"(v) The project has received a categorical exclusion, a finding of no significant impact, or a record of decision under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).

"(C) WRITTEN NOTICE.—The Secretary shall provide to an applicant seeking a secured loan under the expedited decision process under this paragraph a written notice informing the applicant whether the Secretary has approved or disapproved the application by not later than 180 days after the date on which the Secretary submits to the applicant a letter indicating that the National Surface Transportation Innovative Finance Bureau has commenced the creditworthiness review of the project."

(c) STATUS REPORTS.—Section 609 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(c) STATUS REPORTS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall publish on the website for the TIFIA program—

"(A) on a monthly basis, a current status report on all submitted letters of interest and applications received for assistance under the TIFIA program; and

"(B) on a quarterly basis, a current status report on all approved applications for assistance under the TIFIA program.

"(2) INCLUSIONS.—Each monthly and quarterly status report under paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum, with respect to each project included in the status report—

"(A) the name of the party submitting the letter of interest or application;

"(B) the name of the project;

"(C) the date on which the letter of interest or application was received;

"(D) the estimated project eligible costs;

"(E) the type of credit assistance sought; and

"(F) the anticipated fiscal year and quarter for closing of the credit assistance."

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. CASEY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3636. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide matching payments for retirement savings contributions by certain individuals; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, today I have introduced the Encouraging Americans to Save Act (EASA). This legislation makes common sense reforms to the saver's tax credit by making the credit refundable and restructuring it as a government matching contribution that is directly deposited into a worker's retirement savings account. This bill would offer matching contributions for the first time to millions of middle and lower income individuals not covered by an employer-sponsored retirement plan, including those who save through an IRA under a State or local government savings program—such as OregonSaves. The government match is also available to middle and lower income savers who participate in an employer-sponsored plan. The government match provided by the bill would both encourage saving and help middle and low income earners build assets by providing an immediate, meaningful return on their personal contributions. The legislation would also require the Treasury Department to reestablish the Obama administration's MyRA program, as IRAs established under that program would serve as the default account to hold government matching contributions in case a saver's retirement plan or IRA is unable to accept the government