law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Helicopters (Previously Eurocopter France) Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0669)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-307. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Helicopters Deutschland GmbH Helicopters (Type Certificate Previously Held By Eurocopter Deutschland GmbH)" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2013-0555)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-308. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Defense and Space S.A. (Formerly Known as Construcciones Aeronauticas, S.A.) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0805)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-309. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-4219)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-310. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0393)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-311. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-1066)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-312. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2017-0246)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-313. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthi-

ness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0803)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

EC-314. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0711)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2019; 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. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. Scott of Florida):

S. 438. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the termination of certain retirement benefits for Members of Congress, except the right to continue participating in the Thrift Savings Plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

By Mr. BRAUN:

S. 439. A bill to allow Members of Congress to opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System, and allow Members who opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System to continue to participate in the Thrift Savings Plan; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. COTTON (for himself, Ms. ERNST, and Mr. TOOMEY):

S. 440. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide that a patent owner may not assert sovereign immunity as a defense in certain actions before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SULLIVAN:

S. 441. A bill to require each agency to repeal or amend 2 or more rules before issuing or amending a rule; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

By Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself and Mr. LANKFORD):

S. 442. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to postpone the effective date of high-impact rules pending judicial review; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CASSIDY:

S. 443. A bill to modify the definition of an antique firearm; to the Committee on Finance

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

S. 444. A bill to provide a process for ensuring the United States does not default on its obligations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHATZ (for himself and Mr. KAINE):

S. 445. A bill to allow veterans to use, possess, or transport medical marijuana and to discuss the use of medical marijuana with a physician of the Department of Veterans Affairs as authorized by a State or Indian Tribe, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Ms. STABENOW, and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 446. A bill to authorize the Director of the United States Geological Survey to conduct monitoring, assessment, science, and research, in support of the binational fisheries within the Great Lakes Basin; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. REED, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. WARREN, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. SMITH, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. ROSEN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. KING, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. UDALL):

S. 447. A bill to regulate large capacity ammunition feeding devices; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. WARREN (for herself, Mr. Lee, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Scott of South Carolina):

S. 448. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit fellowship and stipend compensation to be saved in an individual retirement account; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 449. A bill for the relief of Valent Kolami; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GARDNER (for himself and Mr.

S. 450. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to expedite the onboarding process for new medical providers of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to reduce the duration of the hiring process for such medical providers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 451. A bill to modernize the National Air Toxics Assessment, the Integrated Risk Information System, and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PERDUE, and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 452. A bill to amend the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 to provide a temporary exemption for low-revenue issuers from certain auditor attestation requirements; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. PERDUE (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Cruz, Ms. Ernst, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hydesmith, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Lankford, Mr. Moran, Mr. Rounds, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sasse, and Mr. Sullivan):

S. 453. A bill to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to subject the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection to the regular appropriations process, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking. Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CRAMER (for himself, Ms. KLO-BUCHAR, Mr. HOEVEN, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 454. A bill to direct the Federal Communications Commission to establish the Office of Rural Broadband, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. KAINE):

S. 455. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to provide for

Federal Exchange outreach and educational activities; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. White-HOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. SMITH, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. VAN HOL-LEN, and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 456. A bill to provide for the adjustment of status of certain nationals of Liberia to that of lawful permanent residents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. KING, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 457. A bill to require that \$1 coins issued during 2019 honor President George H.W. Bush and to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to issue bullion coins during 2019 in honor of Barbara Bush; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 458. A bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to revise certain ethylene oxide emissions standards under the Clean Air Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Markey, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mr. Cardin):

S. 459. A bill to protect the American people from undetectable ghost guns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. Thune, Mr. King, Mrs. Capito, Mr. Markey, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Jones, Mr. Rounds, Mr. Blumenthal, Ms. Collins, Mr. Tester, Mr. Blunt, Ms. Hassan, Mr. Young, Ms. Rosen, Mr. Gardner, and Ms. Sinema):

S. 460. 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; to the Committee on Finance

By Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. Coons, Mr. Perdue, Mr. Jones, Mr. Wicker, Ms. Harris, Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. Kaine, Mrs. Hydesmith, Mr. Van Hollen, Mr. Tillis, Mr. Booker, Ms. Klobuchar, Ms. Warren, Mr. Sanders, and Mr. Braun):

S. 461. A bill to strengthen the capacity and competitiveness of historically Black colleges and universities through robust public-sector, private-sector, and community partnerships and engagement, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Ms. War-REN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. SANDERS): S. 462. A bill to amend title 38, United

S. 462. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify authorities relating to the collective bargaining of employees in the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Reed, Mr. Booker, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Markey, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. King, Mr. Leahy, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Harris, Mr. Van Hollen, Mr. Heinrich, Mr. Schatz, Ms. Hassan, Ms. Baldwin, Ms. Duckworth, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Warren, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Udall, Ms. Rosen, Ms. Hirono, and Ms. Smith):

S. 463. A bill to provide paid family and medical leave benefits to certain individuals,

and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Jones, Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Kaine, Mrs. Feinstein, Ms. Hirono, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Cortez Masto, Ms. Hassan, and Mr. Van Hollen):

S. 464. A bill to require the treatment of a lapse in appropriations as a mitigating condition when assessing financial considerations for security clearances, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 465. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to make reforms to the benefits for Public Service Officers, and for other purposes; 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 Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. GARDNER, and Mr. MARKEY):

S. Res. 67. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the importance and vitality of the United States alliances with Japan and the Republic of Korea, and our trilateral cooperation in the pursuit of shared interests; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Markey):

S. Con. Res. 2. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that any United States-Saudi Arabia civilian nuclear cooperation agreement must prohibit the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from enriching uranium or separating plutonium on its own territory, in keeping with the strongest possible nonproliferation "gold standard"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 22

At the request of Mr. Cardin, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. Brown) was added as a cosponsor of S. 22, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of dental services under the Medicare program.

S. 61

At the request of Mr. Grassley, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. Whitehouse) was added as a cosponsor of S. 61, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to allow for the personal importation of safe and affordable drugs from approved pharmacies in Canada.

S. 96

At the request of Ms. Klobuchar, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. Cramer) was added as a cosponsor of S. 96, a bill to revise the authorized route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota and to extend the trail into Vermont to connect with the Appalachian National Scenic Trail, and for other purposes.

S. 178

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr.

BRAUN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 178, 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. 191

At the request of Ms. Klobuchar, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Booker) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. Blackburn) were added as cosponsors of S. 191, a bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to include in periodic health assessments, separation history and physical examinations, and other assessments an evaluation of whether a member of the Armed Forces has been exposed to open burn pits or toxic airborne chemicals, and for other purposes.

S. 203

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. Leahy), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. Hassan) were added as cosponsors of S. 203, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the railroad track maintenance credit, and for other purposes.

S. 211

At the request of Mr. Hoeven, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Merkley) was added as a cosponsor of S. 211, a bill to amend the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 to secure urgent resources vital to Indian victims of crime, and for other purposes.

S. 225

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 225, 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. 237

At the request of Mr. Brown, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. Shaheen) was added as a cosponsor of S. 237, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permit nurse practitioners and physician assistants to satisfy the documentation requirement under the Medicare program for coverage of certain shoes for individuals with diabetes.

S. 255

At the request of Mr. Casey, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. Brown) was added as a cosponsor of S. 255, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include individuals receiving Social Security Disability Insurance benefits under the work opportunity credit, increase the work opportunity credit for vocational rehabilitation referrals, qualified SSI recipients, and qualified SSDI recipients, expand the disabled access credit, and enhance