

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. COTTON, Mr. BENNET, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. REED, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. KING, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. COONS, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. MCSALLY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. TESTER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. WARREN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. ROSEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. JONES, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 578. 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; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Ms. WARREN):

S. 579. A bill to provide grants to eligible local educational agencies to help public schools reduce class size in the early elementary grades, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. ERNST (for herself, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. ENZI, and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 580. A bill to amend the Act of August 25, 1958, commonly known as the "Former Presidents Act of 1958", with respect to the monetary allowance payable to a former President, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 581. A bill to provide regulatory relief to alternative fuel producers and consumers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. SINEMA, and Mr. MORAN):

S. 582. A bill to ensure that the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network works with Tribal law enforcement agencies, protects against all forms of terrorism, and focuses on virtual currencies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO:

S. 583. A bill to provide for digital accountability and transparency; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 584. A bill to extend the commitment of the United States to the International Space Station, to develop advanced space suits, and to enable human space settlement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. JONES, Mr. KAINE, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. COONS, Mr. KING, Mr. PETERS, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 585. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide the same level of Federal matching assistance for every State that chooses to expand Medicaid coverage to newly eligible individuals, regardless of when such expansion takes place; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BENNET, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 586. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove the 96-hour physician certification requirement for inpatient critical access hospital services; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 587. A bill to promote economic partnership and cooperation between the United States and Mexico; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 588. A bill to require State agencies to use Federal tax return information to verify income eligibility for Medicaid, the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LANKFORD (for himself and Ms. HASSAN):

S. 589. A bill to provide for a period of continuing appropriations in the event of a lapse in appropriations under the normal appropriations process, and establish procedures and consequences in the event of a failure to complete regular appropriations; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. HARRIS, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. GARDNER, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. ERNST, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BURR, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BLUNT, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KING, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CASEY, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. JONES, Ms. WARREN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. REED, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. TESTER, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BENNET, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. KAINE, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. SMITH, Mr. UDALL, and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 590. A bill to award Congressional Gold Medals to Katherine Johnson and Dr. Christine Darden, to posthumously award Congressional Gold Medals to Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson, and to award a Congressional Gold Medal to honor all of the women who contributed to the success of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration during the Space Race; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 591. A bill to assist States in improving guardianship oversight and data collection; 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. COONS (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MERKLEY, and Ms. SINEMA):

S. Res. 80. A resolution establishing the John S. McCain III Human Rights Commission; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. GARDNER):

S. Res. 81. A resolution calling for accountability and justice for the assassination of Boris Nemtsov; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. FISCHER (for herself and Mr. SASSE):

S. Res. 82. A resolution recognizing the 150th anniversary of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. WARREN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. FISCHER, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mrs. HARRIS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. STABENOW, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 83. A resolution designating February 2019 as "American Heart Month" and February 1, 2019, as "National Wear Red Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. PAUL, Mr. REED, Mr. CARPER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. JONES, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. CASEY, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. COONS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KAINE, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. TILLIS, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. PETERS, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. BURR, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 84. A resolution celebrating Black History Month; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 25

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. SASSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 25, a bill to reserve any amounts forfeited to the United States Government as a result of the criminal prosecution of Joaquin Archivaldo Guzman Loera (commonly known as "El Chapo"), or of other felony convictions involving the transportation of controlled substances into the United States, for security measures along the Southern border, including the completion of a border wall.

S. 94

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 94, 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. 133

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 133, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the United States merchant mariners of World War II, in recognition of their dedicated and vital service during World War II.

S. 164

At the request of Mr. DAINES, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) and the Senator from Michigan

(Mr. PETERS) were added as cosponsors of S. 164, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to remove the prohibition on eligibility for TRICARE Reserve Select of members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who are eligible to enroll in a health benefits plan under chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code.

S. 169

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 169, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption from gross income for civil damages as recompense for trafficking in persons.

S. 172

At the request of Mr. GARDNER, the names of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 172, a bill to delay the reimposition of the annual fee on health insurance providers until after 2021.

S. 178

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) 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. 203

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor 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. 266

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 266, a bill to provide for the long-term improvement of public school facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 267

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 267, a bill to provide for a general capital increase for the North American Development Bank, and for other purposes.

S. 326

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 326, a bill to prohibit the use of amounts appropriated for military construction or the Army Corps of Engineers for the construction of barriers, land acquisition, or any other associated activities on the southern border without specific statutory authorization from Congress.

S. 383

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma

(Mr. INHOFE) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 383, a bill to support carbon dioxide utilization and direct air capture research, to facilitate the permitting and development of carbon capture, utilization, and sequestration projects and carbon dioxide pipelines, and for other purposes.

S. 403

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 403, a bill to encourage the research and use of innovative materials and associated techniques in the construction and preservation of the domestic transportation and water infrastructure system, and for other purposes.

S. 409

At the request of Ms. HARRIS, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. GARDNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 409, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal in commemoration of Aretha Franklin.

S. 500

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 500, a bill to amend title 54, United States Code, to establish, fund, and provide for the use of amounts in a National Park Service Legacy Restoration Fund to address the maintenance backlog of the National Park Service, and for other purposes.

S. 503

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 503, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide the opportunity for responsible health savings to all American families.

S. 505

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 505, a bill to ensure due process protections of individuals in the United States against unlawful detention based solely on a protected characteristic.

S. 518

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) and the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) were added as cosponsors of S. 518, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of certain lymphedema compression treatment items as items of durable medical equipment.

S. 524

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Ms.

SINEMA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 524, a bill to establish the Department of Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 546

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 546, a bill to extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2090, and for other purposes.

S. 567

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 567, a bill clarifying that it is United States policy to recognize Israel's sovereignty over the Golan Heights.

S. 572

At the request of Mr. PERDUE, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 572, a bill to provide for additional supplemental appropriations for disaster relief.

S.J. RES. 1

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. TOOMEY) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 1, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to limiting the number of terms that a Member of Congress may serve.

S. RES. 14

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 14, a resolution affirming that the Government of Cuba's foreign medical missions constitute human trafficking.

S. RES. 74

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 74, a resolution marking the fifth anniversary of Ukraine's Revolution of Dignity by honoring the bravery, determination, and sacrifice of the people of Ukraine during and since the Revolution, and condemning continued Russian aggression against Ukraine.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 591. A bill to assist States in improving guardianship oversight and data collection; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, as Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee, I rise today to introduce, with the Committee's Ranking Member, Senator BOB CASEY, the "Guardianship Accountability Act of 2019," a bill that would assist States in improving guardianship oversight and data collection.

Protecting older Americans from financial fraud and exploitation has long been one of my top priorities as Chairman of the Aging Committee. According to the National Center for State