

Whereas, the HSDRRS system is a network of levees, floodwalls, gated structures, and pump stations that form the one hundred thirty-three mile Greater New Orleans perimeter system, including three hundred fifty miles of interior levees and floodwalls, and seventy miles of interior risk reduction structures built to protect the Greater New Orleans area after Hurricane Katrina; and

Whereas, the HSDRRS system is one of the largest public works projects in world history, providing Greater New Orleans with the world's largest surge barrier of its kind (the IHNC-Lake Borgne Surge Barrier) and the largest draining pump station in the world (the GIWW-West Closure Complex); and

Whereas, even with all these recent improvements, the USACE recently reported that the HSDRRS system may not be adequate to protect New Orleans in as little as four years due partly to the settling of the levees—a natural phenomenon that is exacerbated by the soft soil in southern Louisiana; and

Whereas, the USACE, in announcing that it is studying system improvements, also cited "the global incidence of sea level rise" in a recent *Federal Register* as a contributing factor for the inadequacy of the existing levees; and

Whereas, the USACE further stated in the *Federal Register* that "absent future levee lifts to offset consolidation, settlement, subsidence, and sea level rise, risk to life and property in the Greater New Orleans area will progressively increase". Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to reassess the entire levee and floodwall system in the southeastern United States. Be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-94. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to prohibiting any employer from inquiring about salaries of a candidate applying for employment; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 349. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to request nominations for, and make determinations regarding, roads to be designated under the national scenic byways program, and for other purposes.

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1014. A bill to establish the Route 66 Centennial Commission, and for other purposes.

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 1198. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 404 South Boulder Highway in Henderson, Nevada, as the "Henderson Veterans Memorial Post Office Building".

S. 1272. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 575 Dexter Street in Central Falls, Rhode Island, as the "Elizabeth Buffum Chace Post Office".

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1345. A bill to amend and reauthorize the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation Act.

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 1449. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3033 203rd Street in Olympia Fields, Illinois, as the "Captain Robert L. Martin Post Office".

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1507. A bill to include certain perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances in the toxics release inventory, and for other purposes.

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1689. A bill to permit States to transfer certain funds from the clean water revolving fund of a State to the drinking water revolving fund of the State in certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 1759. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 456 North Meridian Street in Indianapolis, Indiana, as the "Richard G. Lugar Post Office Building".

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1833. A bill to transfer a bridge over the Wabash River to the New Harmony River Bridge Authority and the New Harmony and Wabash River Bridge Authority, and for other purposes.

By Mr. SHELBY, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1900. An original bill making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BARRASSO for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Robert Wallace, of Wyoming, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

William B. Kilbride, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2023.

By Mr. JOHNSON for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

\*John McLeod Barger, of California, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2021.

\*Troy D. Edgar, of California, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security.

\*B. Chad Bungard, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2025.

\*Jeffrey Byard, of Alabama, to be Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and tes-

tify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(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 Mr. DAINES:

S. 1892. A bill to require tribal liaisons to submit to Congress reports on missing and murdered Indians; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. DAINES:

S. 1893. A bill to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on ways to increase reporting of missing Indians and the effects of substance abuse, including the use of methamphetamine, on violent crime in Tribal communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 1894. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to use alternatives to detention for certain vulnerable immigrant populations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1895. A bill to lower health care costs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Ms. WARREN, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1896. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a presumption of service connected disability for certain veterans who served in Palomares, Spain, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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

S. 1897. A bill to establish a process for updating the labeling of certain drugs with outdated labeling; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PERDUE (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. COTTON, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 1898. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for an alternative removal for performance or misconduct for Federal employees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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

S. 1899. A bill to authorize the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to seek compensation for injuries to trust resources and to use funds received as that compensation to restore, replace, or acquire equivalent resources, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. SHELBY:

S. 1900. An original bill making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 1901. A bill to promote geothermal energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1902. A bill to require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to promulgate a consumer product safety rule for free-standing clothing storage units to protect children from tip-over related death or injury, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself and Mr. YOUNG):

S. 1903. A bill to establish an interagency One Health Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 1904. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development from implementing, administering, or enforcing a proposed rule relating to verification of eligible status; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. KAINA, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. HAS-SAN, Mr. KING, Mr. COONS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. PETERS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. SMITH, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 1905. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to provide for additional requirements with respect to the navigator program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. ROUNDS, and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 1906. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide financial assistance to eligible entities to provide and coordinate the provision of suicide prevention services for veterans at risk of suicide and veteran families through the award of grants to such entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. SMITH:

S. 1907. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to prohibit the stigmatization of children who are unable to pay for school meals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 1908. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to improve the efficiency of summer meals; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 1909. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to ensure that Federal-aid highways and bridges are more resilient, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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

S. 1910. A bill to rename the Homestead National Monument of America near Beatrice, Nebraska, as the Homestead National Historical Park; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. HARRIS:

S. 1911. A bill to amend the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to provide training services linked to employment demand through Upskill Accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Mr. LANKFORD):

S. 1912. A bill to establish a national, research-based, and comprehensive home study assessment process for the evaluation of prospective foster parents and adoptive parents and provide funding to States and Indian

tribes to adopt such process; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 1913. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish a bollard installation grant program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HAWLEY:

S. 1914. A bill to amend the Communications Decency Act to encourage providers of interactive computer services to provide content moderation that is politically neutral; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 252. A resolution designating September 2019 as National Democracy Month as a time to reflect on the contributions of the system of government of the United States to a more free and stable world; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mrs.

GILLIBRAND, Mr. WICKER, Ms. ROSEN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CRAMER, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. LEE, Ms. MCSALLY, Mr. MORAN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BROWN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. COONS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. JONES, Mr. KAINA, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PETERS, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. REED):

S. Res. 253. A resolution designating June 19, 2019, as "Juneteenth Independence Day" in recognition of June 19, 1865, the date on which news of the end of slavery reached the slaves in the Southwestern States; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 27

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 27, a bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to transfer certain funds to the 1974 United Mine Workers of America Pension Plan, and for other purposes.

S. 164

At the request of Mr. DAINES, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor 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. 179

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 179, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a clinical trial of the effects of cannabis on certain health outcomes of adults with chronic pain and post-traumatic stress disorder, and for other purposes.

S. 191

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor 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 Kentucky (Mr. PAUL), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT), and the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) 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. 208

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 208, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation, and for other purposes.

S. 239

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINA), and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 239, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition of Christa McAuliffe.

S. 386

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 386, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes.

S. 428

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 428, a bill to lift the trade embargo on Cuba.