

EC-3426. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Regulatory Capital Rule: Capital Simplification for Qualifying Community Banking Organizations” (RIN3064-AE91) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3427. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Removal of Transferred OTS Regulations Regarding Deposits” (RIN3064-AF07) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3428. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Transportation Infrastructure Management” (RIN2132-AB37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 2, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3429. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare Program; CY 2020 Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts” (RIN0938-AT76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3430. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare Program; CY 2020 Part A Premiums for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement” (RIN0938-AT77) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3431. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-174, “Sexual Assault Victims’ Rights Amendment Act of 2019”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3432. A communication from the General Counsel and Acting Chief Executive and Administrative Officer, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board’s Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3433. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration’s Semiannual Report from the Office of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3434. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission’s Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3435. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department’s Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3436. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulatory Affairs, Bu-

reau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Rules of Practice in Explosives License and Permit Proceedings (2007R-5P); Revisions Reflecting Changes Consistent With the Homeland Security Act of 2002” (RIN1140-AA40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3437. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “The U.S. Department of Transportation’s Status of Actions Addressing the Safety Issue Areas on the National Transportation Safety Board’s (NTSB) Most Wanted List”; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3438. A communication from the Acting Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission’s fifteenth annual report on ethanol market concentration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3439. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Bridging the Digital Divide for Low-Income Consumers, Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, Telecommunications Carriers Eligible for Universal Service Support” ((FCC 19-111) (WC Docket Nos. 17-287, 11-42, and 09-197)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3440. A communication from the Chief of the Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Reform of Certain Part 61 Tariff Rules” ((FCC 19-107) (WC Docket Nos. 18-276, and 18-276)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3441. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Licensing, Registration, Financial Responsibility Requirements, and General Duties for Ocean Transportation Intermediaries” (RIN3072-AC73) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3442. A communication from the Associate Managing Director, Office of Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Misuse of Internet Protocol (IP) Captioned Telephone Service; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities” ((FCC 19-83) (CG Docket No. 13-24, and 03-123)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 2, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3443. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions: Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Trawl Logbook” (RIN0648-BI74) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 19, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3444. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory

Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Modifications to Individual Fishing Quota Programs” (RIN0648-BG83) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3445. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Authorize Recreational Quota Entity To Participate in the Halibut IFQ Program” (RIN0648-BG57) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3446. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder, Scup, Black Sea Bass Fisheries; 2018 and Projected 2019 Scup Specifications and Announcement of Final 2018 Summer Flounder and Black Sea Bass Specifications; Correction” (RIN0648-XF669) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3447. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; 2019 Commercial Closure for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia” (RIN0648-XS011) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3448. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Trawl Catcher Vessels in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska” (RIN0648-XY018) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3449. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Sablefish in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska” (RIN0648-XG996) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 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. REED (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Ms. MCSALLY):

S. 2997. A bill to revise and extend health workforce programs under title VII of the

Public Health Service Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself, Ms. SINEMA, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 2998. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that payment of taxes on deferred foreign income in installments shall not prevent credit or refund of overpayments or increase estimated taxes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself, Mr. JONES, Mr. MORAN, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 2999. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals with direct primary care service arrangements to remain eligible individuals for purposes of health savings accounts; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3000. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow PDP sponsors of prescription drug plans and Medicare Advantage organizations offering MA-PD plans to share with enrollees a portion of savings from switching to lower cost therapeutic alternative medications; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3001. A bill to provide for certain extensions with respect to the Medicare and Medicaid programs under titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3002. A bill to amend the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 to increase amounts transferred to the Trade Enforcement Trust Fund and to require the use of certain amounts in the fund to implement labor obligations in a free trade agreement with Mexico, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself, Ms. BALDWIN, and Ms. WARREN):

S. Res. 448. A resolution designating December 3, 2019, as “National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day”; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 117

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 117, a bill to prohibit discrimination against individuals with disabilities who need long-term services and supports, and for other purposes.

S. 133

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the names of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) were added as cosponsors 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. 160

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from West Vir-

ginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 160, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect paincapable unborn children, and for other purposes.

S. 400

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 400, a bill to gather information about the illicit production of illicit fentanyl in foreign countries and to withhold bilateral assistance from countries that do not have emergency scheduling procedures for new illicit drugs, cannot prosecute criminals for the manufacture or distribution of controlled substance analogues, or do not require the registration of tabletting machine and encapsulating machines.

S. 877

At the request of Mr. HEINRICH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 877, a bill to prohibit the sale of shark fins, and for other purposes.

S. 944

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 944, a bill to enhance the security operations of the Transportation Security Administration and the stability of the transportation security workforce by applying a unified personnel system under title 5, United States Code, to employees of the Transportation Security Administration who are responsible for screening passengers and property, and for other purposes.

S. 1032

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. HAWLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1032, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the definition of income for purposes of determining the tax-exempt status of certain corporations.

S. 1105

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1105, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish and maintain a registry for certain individuals who may have been exposed to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances due to the environmental release of aqueous film-forming foam on military installations.

S. 1123

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1123, a bill to transfer and limit Executive Branch authority to suspend or restrict the entry of a class of aliens.

S. 1153

At the request of Mr. BRAUN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1153, a bill to explicitly make unauthorized access to Department of Education information technology systems and the misuse of iden-

tification devices issued by the Department of Education a criminal act.

S. 1174

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1174, a bill to provide that 12 weeks of leave made available to a Federal employee shall be paid leave, and for other purposes.

S. 1254

At the request of Mr. YOUNG, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1254, a bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to review and report on certain laws, safety measures, and technologies relating to the illegal passing of school buses, and for other purposes.

S. 1263

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1263, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish an interagency task force on the use of public lands to provide medical treatment and therapy to veterans through outdoor recreation.

S. 1352

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1352, a bill to establish a Federal Advisory Council to Support Victims of Gun Violence.

S. 1392

At the request of Mr. SULLIVAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1392, a bill to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct an assessment of the responsibilities, workload, and vacancy rates of suicide prevention coordinators of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 1575

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1575, a bill to direct the Secretary of State to make available to the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention copies of consular reports of death of United States citizens, and for other purposes.

S. 1583

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1583, a bill to amend the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act to provide for additional procedures for families with children under the age of 6, and for other purposes.

S. 1657

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1657, a bill to provide assistance to combat the escalating burden of Lyme disease and other tick and vector-borne diseases and disorders.

S. 1764

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from New