**SA 2493.** Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2301 proposed by Mr. INHOFE to the bill S. 4049, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 806(a)(1), strike subparagraphs (C) and (D) and insert the following:

(C) taking actions to address domestic barriers (including regulatory, administrative, and statutory barriers) to expand capacity or diversify sources of supply;

(D) taking a combination of actions described under subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C); or

(E) taking no actions, restrictions, or additional investment.

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**SA 2494.** Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2301 proposed by Mr. INHOFE to the bill S. 4049, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. _____. EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS FOR CERTAIN LIBERIAN NATIONALS.**

Section 7611(b)(1)(A) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92) is amended by striking ''1 year After the date of enactment of the Act'' and inserting ''July 1, 2021.''

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**SA 2495.** Mr. BOOZMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4049, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title V, add the following:

**SEC. 549. MEASURES FOR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO ARE QUARANTINED IN CONNECTION WITH THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID–19).**

(a) DEVELOPMENT OF MEASURES REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop measures to ensure the personal and professional development of members of the Armed Forces (including cadets and midshipmen at the military service academies) who are quarantined in connection with the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19).

(b) SCOPE OF MEASURES.—The measures required by subsection (a) shall provide for the following:

(1) The availability to members of the Armed Forces quarantined in connection with the Coronavirus Disease 2019 of each of the following:

(A) Behavioral and mental health resources, including access to mental health providers, counselors, and chaplains.

(B) Physical activity and exercise.

(C) Resources and other platforms relating to professional development and self improvement

(2) The availability of peer-to-peer interactions among members described in paragraph (1), including access of cadets and midshipmen at the military service academies to cadre, coaches, and coaching staff.

(3) The availability of communication between units deployed and stationed at home regarding synchronization of quarantine plans for units with members described in paragraph (1).

(4) Such other matters relating to the personal and professional development of members of the Armed Forces who are quarantined in connection with the Coronavirus Disease 2019 as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) COMMENCEMENT OF IMPLEMENTATION.—The measures developed pursuant to subsection (a) shall be implemented beginning not later than 90 days after the completion of the development of the measures pursuant to that subsection.

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**SA 2496.** Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. WICKER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. KAINE, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4049, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title XVI, add the following:

**SEC. 1610. CONTINUATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION.**

(a) PRESENCE IN LOW-EARTH ORBIT.—

(1) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(A) it is in the national and economic security interests of the United States to maintain a continuous human presence in low-Earth orbit;

(B) the International Space Station is a strategic national security asset vital to the continued space exploration and scientific advancements of the United States; and

(C) low-Earth orbit should be utilized as a testbed to advance human space exploration, scientific discoveries, and United States economic competitiveness and commercial participation.

(2) HUMAN PRESENCE REQUIREMENT.—The United States shall continuously maintain the capability for a continuous human presence in low-Earth orbit through and beyond the useful life of the International Space Station.

(b) MAINTAINING A NATIONAL LABORATORY IN SPACE.—

(1) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(A) the United States national laboratory in space, which currently consists of the United States segment of the International Space Station (designated as a national laboratory under section 70905 of title 51, United States Code)—

(i) benefits the scientific community and promotes commerce in space;

(ii) fosters stronger relationships among the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (referred to in this section as ''NASA'') and other Federal agencies, the private sector, and research groups and universities;

(iii) advances science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education through utilization of the unique microgravity environment; and

(iv) advances human knowledge and international cooperation;

(B) after the International Space Station is decommissioned, the United States should maintain a national microgravity laboratory in space;

(C) in maintaining a national microgravity laboratory described in subparagraph (B), the United States should make appropriate accommodations for different types of ownership and operational structures for the International Space Station and future space stations;

(D) the national microgravity laboratory described in subparagraph (B) should be maintained beyond the date on which the International Space Station is decommissioned and, if possible, in cooperation with international space partners to the extent practicable; and

(E) NASA should continue to support fundamental science research on future platforms in low-Earth orbit and cis-lunar space, short duration suborbital flights, drop towers, and other microgravity testing environments.

(2) REPORT.—The Administrator of NASA shall produce, in coordination with the National Space Council and other Federal agencies as the Administrator considers relevant, a report detailing the feasibility of establishing a microgravity national laboratory Federally Funded Research and Development Center to undertake the work related to the study and utilization of in-space conditions.

(c) CONTINUATION OF AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 501(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18351(a)) is amended by striking ''2024'' and inserting ''2030''.

(2) MAINTENANCE OF THE UNITED STATES SEGMENT AND ASSURANCE OF CONTINUED OPERATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION.—Section 503(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18353(a)) is amended by striking ''2024'' and inserting ''2030''.

(3) RESEARCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION AND INTEGRATION OF RESEARCH PAYLOADS.—Section 504(d) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18354(d)) is amended by striking ''2024'' each place it appears and inserting ''2030''.

(4) MAINTAINING USE THROUGH AT LEAST 2030.—Section 70907 of title 51, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in the section heading, by striking ''**2024**'' and inserting ''**2030**''; and

(B) by striking ''2024'' each place it appears and inserting ''2030''.

(d) TRANSITION PLAN REPORTS.—Section 50111(c)(2) of title 51, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''2023'' and inserting ''2028''; and

(2) in subparagraph (J), by striking ''2028'' and inserting ''2030''.

(f) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACTIVITIES ON INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(A) identify and review each activity, program, and project of the Department of Defense completed, being carried out, or planned to be carried out on the International Space Station as of the date of the review; and

(B) provide to the appropriate committees of Congress a briefing that describes the results of the review.

(2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

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**SA 2497.** Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. JONES, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. CASEY, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2301 proposed by Mr. INHOFE to the bill S. 4049, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following:

**SEC. 752. PILOT PROGRAM TO PROMOTE MILITARY READINESS IN THE PROVISION OF PROSTHETIC AND ORTHOTIC CARE.**

(a) GRANTS REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall carry out a pilot program to assess the feasibility and advisability of awarding grants to institutions determined by the Secretary to be eligible for the award of such grants to enable such institutions to establish or expand an existing accredited master's degree program in orthotics and prosthetics.

(2) PRIORITY.—The Secretary shall give priority in the award of grants under this section to institutions that have entered into a partnership with a facility or program administered by the Department of Defense that offers students training or experience in meeting the unique needs of members of the Armed Forces who have experienced limb loss or limb impairment, including by offering clinical rotations at a public or private sector orthotics and prosthetics practice that serves members of the Armed Forces or veterans, including the following facilities or programs:

(A) Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.

(B) Brooke Army Medical Center.

(C) The Orthotics and Prosthetics Outcomes Research Program of the Department of Defense.

(3) FUTURE PREFERENCE.—In fiscal years after fiscal year 2021, the Secretary shall give preference in the award of grants under this section to qualified, eligible applicants for such grants that were not awarded a grant in fiscal year 2021.

(b) APPLICATIONS.—

(1) REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue a request for proposals from institutions eligible for grants under this section.

(2) APPLICATION.—An institution that seeks the award of a grant under this section shall submit to the Secretary an application therefor at such time, in such manner, and accompanied by such information as the Secretary may require, including—

(A) demonstration of a willingness and ability to participate in a partnership described in subsection (a)(2); and

(B) demonstration of an ability to achieve and maintain an accredited orthotics and prosthetics program after the end of the grant period.

(c) GRANT USES.—An institution awarded a grant under this section shall use grant amounts for any purpose as follows:

(1) To establish or expand an accredited orthotics and prosthetics master's degree program.

(2) To train doctoral candidates in orthotics and prosthetics, or in fields related to orthotics and prosthetics, to prepare such candidates to instruct in orthotics and prosthetics programs.

(3) To train and retain faculty in orthotics and prosthetics education, or in fields related to orthotics and prosthetics education, to prepare such faculty to instruct in orthotics and prosthetics programs.

(4) To fund faculty research projects or faculty time to undertake research in orthotics and prosthetics for the purpose of furthering the teaching abilities of such faculty.

(d) ADMISSIONS PREFERENCE.—To the extent practicable, an institution awarded a grant under this section shall give preference to veterans in admission to the master's degree program in orthotics and prosthetics established or expanded under this section.

(e) LIMITATION ON GRANT AMOUNT.—The amount of any grant awarded to an institution under this section may not exceed $3,000,000.

(f) PERIOD OF USE OF FUNDS.—An institution awarded a grant under this section may use the grant amount for a period of three years after the award of the grant.

(g) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after awarding the first grant under this section, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the pilot program conducted under this section.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include a description of the pilot program and other such matters relating to the pilot program as the Secretary considers appropriate.

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I have 5 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION, TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION, AND THE INTERNET

The Subcommittee on Communication, Technology, Innovation, and The Internet of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

## PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following interns in Senator PAUL's office be granted floor privileges until August 8, 2020: Sean Piwowar and Jessica Zepeda.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 116–113, and in consultation with the Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Finance, appoints the following individuals to the Independent Mexico Labor Expert Board: Sandra M. Polaski of the District of Columbia and Timothy J. Beaty of Virginia.

## PROTECTING 2020 RECOVERY REBATES FOR INDIVIDUALS FROM ASSIGNMENT OR GARNISHMENT

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be discharged from further consideration of S. 3841 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration. I further ask that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table; further, that the bill be held at the desk, and should the Senate receive from the House of Representatives a bill, the text of which is identical to that of S. 3841, the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration, the bill be considered read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate, and S. 3841 be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 3841) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 3841

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*