

EC-2718. A communication from the Legal Tech, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Oaks Park Halloween Fireworks Display, Willamette River, Portland, OR" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2021-0789) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2021; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SCHATZ, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 1402. A bill to amend the Native American Languages Act to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 117-45).

By Mr. SCHATZ, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 989. A bill to establish a Native American language resource center in furtherance of the policy set forth in the Native American Languages Act (Rept. No. 117-46).

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

\*Arun Venkataraman, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

Alanna McCargo, of Virginia, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association.

\*Elizabeth de Leon Bhargava, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

By Mrs. MURRAY for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

\*James D. Rodriguez, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.

\*Lisa M. Gomez, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

\*Susan Harthill, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2027.

\*Maria Rosario Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts for a term of four years.

\*Shelly C. Lowe, of Arizona, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Humanities for a term of four years.

By Mr. DURBIN for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Gabriel P. Sanchez, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Mary Katherine Dimke, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.

Maame Ewusi-Mensah Frimpong, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Jennifer L. Thurston, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California.

Samantha D. Elliott, of New Hampshire, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire.

Linda Lopez, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

Katherine Marie Menendez, of Minnesota, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota.

Jinsook Ohta, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

David Herrera Urias, of New Mexico, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

Gregory K. Harris, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the District of Illinois for the term of four years.

Philip R. Sellinger, of New Jersey, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey for the term of four years.

Brandon B. Brown, of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Ronald C. Gathe, Jr., of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify 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. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. DAINES, Ms. ERNST, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. LEE, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. YOUNG, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ROMNEY, Mr. BURR, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 3300. A bill to prohibit the payment of certain legal settlements to individuals who unlawfully entered the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 3301. A bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of mental or physical disability in cases of organ transplants; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 3302. A bill to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Act to improve provisions relating to dyslexia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. PADILLA):

S. 3303. A bill to extend the authority of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to enter into leases of non-excess property of the Administration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. WARNOCK):

S. 3304. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the ability of veterans to electronically submit complaints about the delivery of health care services by the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. LEE, and Mr. BARRASSO):

S. 3305. A bill to repeal the amendment made to the Superfund excise taxes by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3306. A bill to prohibit the purchase of certain telecommunications or aerospace goods or service from entities affiliated with the People's Republic of China or the Russian Federation and to require reporting relating to investment by foreign persons in the aerospace industry in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mr. HAWLEY):

S. 3307. A bill to modify the boundary of the Wilson's Creek National Battlefield in the State of Missouri, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KELLY (for himself and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 3308. A bill to authorize the Colorado River Indian Tribes to enter into lease or exchange agreements and storage agreements relating to water of the Colorado River allocated to the Colorado River Indian Tribes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 3309. A bill to require SelectUSA to coordinate with State-level economic development organizations to increase foreign direct investment in semiconductor-related manufacturing and production; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BROWN:

S. 3310. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan to establish the Minority Institute for Defense Research, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. THUNE, Mr. LEE, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 3311. A bill to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act to establish procedures for the treatment of votes by departed Commissioners; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HAWLEY (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. BRAUN, and Mrs. HYDE-SMITH):

S. 3312. A bill to analyze the impacts of establishing U.S. Customs and Border Protection Preclearance facilities in Taiwan and in other Indo-Pacific countries; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

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

S. Res. 465. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should prioritize within the Government and emphasize with allies the need to provide continued support to, and maintain legal pathways for the emigration out of Afghanistan of, individuals who do not wish to be governed by the Taliban; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. LUJÁN (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. Res. 466. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate in support of the International Atomic Energy Agency's (IAEA) nuclear security role; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. WARREN, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. Res. 467. A resolution recognizing the contributions made by the 305-meter radio telescope at the Arecibo Observatory; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 176

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 176, a bill to require a longitudinal study on the impact of COVID-19.

S. 212

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 212, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a refundable tax credit against income tax for the purchase of qualified access technology for the blind.

S. 697

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint commemorative coins in recognition of the Bicentennial of Harriet Tubman's birth.

S. 864

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 864, a bill to extend Federal Pell Grant eligibility of certain short-term programs.

S. 1136

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1136, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the low-income housing credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1300

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1300, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1488

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1488, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to establish a basic needs allowance for low-income regular members of the Armed Forces.

S. 1568

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) were added as cosponsors of S. 1568, a bill to amend

title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide a waiver of the cap on annual payments for nursing and allied health education payments.

S. 1574

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1574, a bill to codify a statutory definition for long-term care pharmacies.

S. 1621

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1621, a bill to reauthorize and limit the pre-disaster mitigation program of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 1813

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) were added as cosponsors of S. 1813, a bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to support research on, and expanded access to, investigational drugs for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and for other purposes.

S. 1848

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1848, a bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of religion, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), and marital status in the administration and provision of child welfare services, to improve safety, well-being, and permanency for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer or questioning foster youth, and for other purposes.

S. 1856

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1856, a bill to enhance the security operations of the Transportation Security Administration and stability of the transportation security workforce by applying the personnel system under title 5, United States Code, to employees of the Transportation Security Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 1964

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1964, a bill to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide for the establishment of a Ski Area Fee Retention Account, and for other purposes.

S. 2342

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. PORTMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2342, a bill to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration of disputes involving sexual assault and sexual harassment.

S. 2720

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut

(Mr. BLUMENTHAL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2720, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national clinical pathway for prostate cancer, and for other purposes.

S. 2821

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2821, a bill to establish eligibility requirements for education support professionals under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, and for other purposes.

S. 2981

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2981, a bill to amend the National Housing Act to establish a mortgage insurance program for first responders, and for other purposes.

S. 3138

At the request of Mr. MARSHALL, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3138, a bill to amend the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act to exempt covered farm vehicles from certain requirements, and for other purposes.

S. 3157

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3157, a bill to require the Secretary of Labor to conduct a study of the factors affecting employment opportunities for immigrants and refugees with professional credentials obtained in foreign countries.

S. 3193

At the request of Mr. DAINES, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3193, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand the scope of practitioners eligible for payment for telehealth services under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 3212

At the request of Mr. PADILLA, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3212, a bill to provide benefits for non-citizen members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 29

At the request of Mr. BRAUN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 29, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to "COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing; Emergency Temporary Standard".

S. RES. 461

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 461, a resolution commemorating