

which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2022.

Army nomination of Aaron L. Bert, to be Colonel.

Navy nomination of Christopher E. Bowman, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Christopher L. Caudill, to be Captain.

Navy nomination of Rosa M. Allen, to be Lieutenant Commander.

\*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. TOOMEY:

S. 4608. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income de minimis gains from certain sales or exchanges of virtual currency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 4609. A bill to authorize the project for hurricane and storm damage reduction and ecosystem restoration, Texas; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. BARASSO, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAINES, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 4610. A bill to provide reliable and evidence-based food and energy security; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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

S. 4611. A bill to improve services for trafficking victims by establishing, in Homeland Security Investigations, the Investigators Maintain Purposeful Awareness to Combat Trafficking Trauma Program and the Victim Assistance Program; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BENNET, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. REED, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. WARNOCK, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. OSSOFF):

S. 4612. A bill to protect a person's ability to access contraceptives and to engage in contraception, and to protect a health care provider's ability to provide contraceptives, contraception, and information related to contraception; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. DAINES, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 4613. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to clarify the fiduciary duty of plan administrators to select and maintain investments based

solely on pecuniary factors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SMITH:

S. 4614. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide criteria for use of Federal funds to support trauma-informed practices in schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROUNDS (for himself and Ms. ROSEN):

S. 4615. A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to seek to engage with the Ministry of Defence of the Kingdom of Jordan for the purpose of expanding cooperation of military cybersecurity activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. WARREN (for herself, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. KAINE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. 4616. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to strengthen parity in mental health and substance use disorder benefits; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 4617. A bill to authorize contributions to international financial institutions to help build the resilience of member countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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

S. 4618. A bill to improve access to opioid use disorder treatment services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. SMITH, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. BALDWIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. LUJÁN):

S. 4619. A bill to provide that all persons shall be entitled to the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, and accommodations of financial institutions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. CRAMER):

S. 4620. A bill to amend the Countering Russian Influence in Europe and Eurasia Act of 2017 to impose sanctions with respect to the shipment or transshipment of petroleum products or liquefied natural gas products from the Russian Federation to the Peoples' Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. ERNST, and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 4621. A bill to promote low-carbon, high-octane fuels, to protect public health, and to improve vehicle efficiency and performance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LUJÁN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 4622. A bill to establish protections for radio and television stations that provide advertising services to cannabis-related legitimate businesses and service providers for such businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself and Ms. ERNST):

S. 4623. A bill to advance Government innovation through leading-edge procurement capability, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 4624. A bill to amend the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act of 2018 to support multijurisdictional task forces that investigate and disrupt illegal firearm trafficking and straw purchasing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HEINRICH:

S. 4625. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to improve nutrition in tribal areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. Res. 719. A resolution expressing support for the designation of July 2022 as "Disability Pride Month"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr. PADILLA):

S. Res. 720. A resolution expressing support for the designation of July 2022 as "American Grown Flower and Foliage Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. Res. 721. A resolution celebrating the 50th anniversary of the inaugural launch of the Landsat series of Earth Observation satellites, a joint mission of the United States Geological Survey and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. WARNOCK, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. KING, Mr. OSSOFF, and Mr. PETERS):

S. Res. 722. A resolution recognizing the importance of the blueberry industry to the United States and designating July 2022 as "National Blueberry Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. ERNST, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. PETERS, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. TILLIS, Ms. HASSAN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WICKER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. LANKFORD, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. WARNOCK):

S. Res. 723. A resolution designating July 30, 2022, as "National Whistleblower Appreciation Day"; considered and agreed to.

### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 129

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 129, a bill to permit disabled law enforcement officers, customs and border protection officers, firefighters, air traffic controllers, nuclear material couriers, members of the Capitol Police, members of the Supreme Court

Police, employees of the Central Intelligence Agency performing intelligence activities abroad or having specialized security requirements, and diplomatic security special agents of the Department of State to receive retirement benefits in the same manner as if they had not been disabled.

S. 464

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 464, a bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require a group health plan or health insurance coverage offered in connection with such a plan to provide an exceptions process for any medication step therapy protocol, and for other purposes.

S. 618

At the request of Mr. LANKFORD, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 618, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify and extend the deduction for charitable contributions for individuals not itemizing deductions.

S. 1157

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1157, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow workers an above-the-line deduction for union dues and expenses and to allow a miscellaneous itemized deduction for workers for all unreimbursed expenses incurred in the trade or business of being an employee.

S. 2568

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2568, a bill to establish the Open Access Evapotranspiration (OpenET) Data Program.

S. 2683

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2683, a bill to amend title XXXIII of the Public Health Service Act with respect to flexibility and funding for the World Trade Center Health Program, and for other purposes.

S. 2723

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2723, a bill to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 by requiring a distribution analysis of a bill or resolution under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

S. 2798

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2798, a bill to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act to improve compensation for workers involved in uranium mining, and for other purposes.

S. 2950

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2950, a bill to combat illegal deforestation by prohibiting the importation of products made wholly or in part of certain commodities produced on land undergoing illegal deforestation, and for other purposes.

S. 3111

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3111, a bill to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a grant program to support hydrogen-fueled equipment at ports and to conduct a study with the Secretary of Transportation and the Secretary of Homeland Security on the feasibility and safety of using hydrogen-derived fuels, including ammonia, as a shipping fuel.

S. 3304

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S. 3335

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3335, a bill to provide liability protection for the sharing of information regarding suspected fraudulent, abusive, or unlawful robocalls, illegally spoofed calls, and other illegal calls by or with the registered consortium that conducts private-led efforts to trace back the origin of suspected unlawful robocalls, and for the receipt of such information by the registered consortium, and for other purposes.

S. 3635

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3635, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize public safety officer death benefits to officers suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder or acute stress disorder, and for other purposes.

S. 3864

At the request of Mr. MURPHY, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3864, a bill to improve the pediatric mental health care access grant program.

S. 3909

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) were added as cosponsors of S. 3909, a bill to amend the Internal Rev-

enue Code of 1986 to make employers of spouses of military personnel eligible for the work opportunity credit.

S. 4069

At the request of Mr. LANKFORD, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4069, a bill to amend the National Firearms Act to provide an exception for stabilizing braces, and for other purposes.

S. 4271

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4271, a bill to reauthorize the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act, and for other purposes.

S. 4416

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4416, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against tax for charitable donations to nonprofit organizations providing education scholarships to qualified elementary and secondary students.

S. 4419

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4419, a bill to require small, medium, and large hub airports to certify that airport service workers are paid the prevailing wage and provided fringe benefits, and for other purposes.

S. 4458

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4458, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the process by which the Secretary of Veterans Affairs determines whether an educational institution meets requirements relating to the percentage of students who receive educational assistance furnished by the Secretary, and for other purposes.

S. 4500

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4500, a bill to expand youth access to voting, and for other purposes.

S. 4504

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4504, a bill to protect freedom of travel and reproductive rights.

S. 4550

At the request of Ms. SMITH, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 4550, a bill to provide enhanced funding for family planning services.

S. CON. RES. 10

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 10, a concurrent resolution

expressing the sense of Congress that tax-exempt fraternal benefit societies have historically provided and continue to provide critical benefits to the people and communities of the United States.

S. RES. 419

At the request of Mrs. BLACKBURN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 419, a resolution acknowledging and commemorating the World War II women in the Navy who served in the Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service ("WAVES").

S. RES. 713

At the request of Mr. RISCH, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 713, a resolution recognizing Russian actions in Ukraine as a genocide.

AMENDMENT NO. 5153

At the request of Ms. HASSAN, her name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5153 intended to be proposed to H.R. 4346, a bill making appropriations for Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for other purposes.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAINES, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 4610. A bill to provide reliable and evidence-based food and energy security; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 4610

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

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Food and Energy Security Act".

#### SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) **AGRICULTURE OR CLOSELY RELATED BUSINESS.**—The term "agriculture or closely related business" means a for-profit or not-for-profit entity that is involved in the production of agriculture products or livestock or involved in the supply chain of an entity involved in the production of agriculture products or livestock.

(2) **ENERGY OR CLOSELY RELATED BUSINESS.**—The term "energy or closely related business" means a for-profit or not-for-profit entity that is involved in the production, development, or marketing of electricity, fuel (including biofuels), or other related products or involved in the supply chain of an entity involved in the production, development, or marketing of electricity, fuel (including biofuels), or other related products.

(3) **FEDERAL REGULATOR.**—The term "Federal regulator" means—

(A) the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System;

(B) the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency;

(C) the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;

(D) the Financial Stability Oversight Council;

(E) the National Credit Union Administration;

(F) the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection;

(G) the Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and

(H) the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### SEC. 3. REGULATIONS AND GUIDANCE.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—As part of any public notice of a proposed regulation or guidance and final regulation or guidance that could affect the extension of capital to or investments in an agriculture or closely related business or an energy or closely related business, a Federal regulator shall provide a detailed analysis of the estimated impact the regulation or guidance would have on food prices, electricity prices, and fuel prices, as applicable, including a description of the methodology and variables used to arrive at the estimates.

(b) **CONTENTS.**—The estimated impacts required under subsection (a) shall include how the proposed regulation or guidance or final regulation or guidance of the Federal regulator would, as applicable, affect—

(1) food prices (broken down by subcategories as listed in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, as relevant) over 1 year, 3 years, 5 years, and 10 years;

(2) electricity prices (broken down by subcategories as listed in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, as relevant) over 1 year, 3 years, 5 years, and 10 years; and

(3) fuel prices (broken down by subcategories as listed in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, as relevant) over 1 year, 3 years, 5 years, and 10 years.

#### SEC. 4. PROHIBITION.

A Federal regulator shall not implement any regulation or guidance that could affect, directly or indirectly, the extension of capital to or investments in an agriculture or closely related business or an energy or closely related business if—

(1) the analysis of estimated impacts under section 3 estimate that implementation of the regulation or guidance would result in an increase in food prices, electricity prices, or fuel prices; and

(2) the annualized rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers most recently published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics is 4.5 percent or greater.

#### SEC. 5. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.

Nothing in this Act may be construed as affecting any regulation or guidance of a Federal regulator that was implemented before January 1, 2022.

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

S. 4618. A bill to improve access to opioid use disorder treatment services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, the opioid epidemic continues to claim the lives of far too many people, with record numbers of both Mainers and Americans lost in 2021. While many perceive the face of opioid addiction as

young, the epidemic harms older adults as well. In Maine, more than 10 percent of drug overdose deaths last year were among residents 60 and older.

Each and every opioid death is preventable, but we must ensure the unique needs of seniors struggling with addiction are not forgotten. That is why I rise today with my colleague from Maryland, Senator CARDIN, to introduce legislation to improve seniors' awareness of, and access to, opioid use disorder, OUD, treatment covered by the Medicare Program. Our bill, the Supporting Seniors with Opioid Use Disorder Act of 2022, is in response to recent findings from the inspector general that confirm the urgent need to increase the number of Medicare beneficiaries receiving treatment for opioid use disorder.

The challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, combined with the increased prevalence of fentanyl, have aggravated this national crisis. Even before COVID-19, however, the number of people age 55 or older treated in emergency rooms for nonfatal opioid overdoses was increasing, with a shocking 32 percent jump in E.R. visits from 2016 to 2017. In 2018, as chairman of the Senate Special Committee on Aging, I chaired a hearing on this very topic in attempt to shed light on this often-overlooked population. One expert witness told the Aging Committee, "Medicare beneficiaries are the fastest growing population of diagnosed opioid use disorders."

Compounding these disturbing statistics is a December 2021 Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General, OIG, report exploring whether Medicare beneficiaries with opioid use disorder receive medication and behavioral therapy. It found more than 1 million Medicare beneficiaries were diagnosed with OUD in 2020, yet fewer than 16 percent of those patients received medication to treat their OUD. The report also concluded older beneficiaries were three times less likely to receive medication to treat their OUD than younger beneficiaries. Even fewer beneficiaries received both medication and behavioral therapy. The conclusion is clear: Medicare beneficiaries are not receiving the OUD treatment they need.

Our bill, the Supporting Seniors with Opioid Use Disorder Act of 2022, would codify the recommendations made by the HHS OIG regarding how to improve beneficiaries' awareness of Medicare coverage for OUD treatment and how to identify current gaps and opportunities to better meet the needs of this unique population. Specifically, our legislation would require CMS to conduct additional outreach to beneficiaries to increase awareness about Medicare coverage for the treatment of OUD, such as by revising outreach and enrollment materials, making State and national contact information for healthcare providers publicly available in an easily accessible manner, and developing or improving continuing education programs on opioid medications