

of enactment of this Act in facilities controlled by the Bureau of Prisons, including data on the use of such punishments during the 5-year period preceding the date of enactment of this Act.

(d) **RULEMAKING BY ATTORNEY GENERAL.**—Not later than 1 year after receiving the analysis under subsection (c), the Attorney General shall promulgate a rule adopting national standards for prevention, reduction, and punishment of sexual harassment and sexual assault perpetrated by an incarcerated individual against a correctional officer or other employee of the Bureau.

The bill (S. 5062), as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

SUPPORTING VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACT

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, as if in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of S. 4640 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 4640) to strengthen trafficking victim assistance grant funding.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BENNET. I ask unanimous consent that the Ossoff-Blackburn substitute amendment at the desk be considered and agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be considered read a third time and passed; and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The amendment (No. 3350), in the nature of a substitute, was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: In the nature of a substitute)

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Supporting Victims of Human Trafficking Act".

SEC. 2. GRANTS TO ASSIST VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING.

Section 107(b)(2) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7105(b)(2)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (B)—

(A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking "shall" and insert "may";

(B) in clause (i), by striking "three percent" and inserting "up to 7 percent";

(C) in clause (ii)—

(i) by striking "5 percent" and inserting "up to 10 percent"; and

(ii) by inserting "and strengthening program administration and budgeting" after "activities"; and

(D) in clause (iii), by striking "one percent" and inserting "up to 1 percent"; and

(2) in subparagraph (C), strike "75 percent" and insert "95 percent".

The bill (S. 4640), as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. BENNET. I congratulate the President on his prodigious legislative accomplishments this evening.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Duly noted.

VETERANS EXPEDITED TSA SCREENING SAFE TRAVEL ACT

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, as in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 7365 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 7365) to provide PreCheck to certain severely injured or disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BENNET. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed, and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (H.R. 7365) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

FEDERAL REGISTER MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2024

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, as if in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 714, H.R. 9592.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 9592) to amend title 44, United States Code, to modernize the Federal Register, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which was reported from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Mr. BENNET. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (H.R. 9592) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

HOUSE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL MODERNIZATION ACT

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, as if in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 9487, which was received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 9487) to amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 to authorize the Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives to designate more than one of the attorneys of the Office of the Legislative Counsel as a Deputy Legislative Counsel, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BENNET. I ask unanimous consent 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.

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

The bill (H.R. 9487) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-292, as amended by Public Law 106-55, Public Law 107-228, and Public Law 112-75, appoints the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Ariela Ruth Dubler of New York.

AUTHORIZING TESTIMONY AND REPRESENTATION IN UNITED STATES V. WARNAGIRIS

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 937, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 937) to authorize testimony and representation in United States v. Warnagiris.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, in this criminal case pending in Federal district court in the District of Columbia and arising out of the events of January 6, 2021, the prosecution has requested testimony from a Senate witness.

In this case, brought against Christopher Warnagiris, trial is expected to commence on January 15, 2025, and the prosecution has requested testimony from Daniel Schwager, formerly counsel to the Secretary of the Senate, concerning his knowledge and observations of the process, use of the electoral ballots and other documents during the proceeding, and constitutional and legal bases for Congress's counting of the electoral college votes. Senate Secretary Berry would like to cooperate with this request by providing relevant testimony in this trial from Mr. Schwager, who has previously been authorized to testify in prior cases arising out of the events of January 6.

In keeping with the rules and practices of the Senate, this resolution would authorize the production of relevant testimony from Mr. Schwager, with representation by the Senate legal counsel.

Mr. BENNET. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 937) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD (legislative day of December 16, 2024) under "Submitted Resolutions.")

MORNING BUSINESS

TRIBUTE TO DABNEY HEGG

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Dabney Hegg, who retired from the Senate earlier this year after serving for more than 25 years, the last 14 of which were on the Senate Appropriations Committee. Through her time in the Senate, Dabney left her fingerprints on so much of the crucial legislation to strengthen our Nation's transportation infrastructure and help Americans keep a roof over their heads.

Dabney first joined the Senate Appropriations Committee in 2010 under Chair Inouye, on the Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies. I had the great fortune of seeing her work up close for several years, first as the then chair of T-HUD, and the past 2 years as chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee. In 2015, Dabney was named clerk of the subcommittee. She served as clerk under Senators REED and SCHATZ, and we all can attest that she was an invaluable member of the team.

At a time when our Nation is grappling with an affordable housing shortage, aging infrastructure, and growing pressures from climate change, the investments we make in housing, transportation, and more have huge implications for our Nation's future. Dabney worked tirelessly to help the Senate make critical investments to address homelessness and the housing crunch, ensure communities have reliable roads, rails, and bridges, keep planes flying safely overhead, and maintain the infrastructure we need to stay strong and keep people safe.

Among her many accomplishments, Dabney helped negotiate the historic Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act in 2021, multiple COVID relief and disaster recovery bills, and every single T-HUD appropriations bill since fiscal year 2011. She was a champion of improving everyday Americans' lives by fighting for Amtrak funding and improving rail safety, championing the

needs of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy so it can educate the next generation of mariners safely, always pushing to help individuals experiencing homelessness and survivors of domestic violence, and supporting our long-term disaster recovery efforts. For Dabney, the annual appropriations bill was an opportunity to do something good, move the ball forward inch by inch and year by year. In her last appropriations bill for FY 2024, under the direction of Senator BRIAN SCHATZ, who is chair of both T-HUD and Indian Affairs, Dabney helped to successfully secure a record \$1.3 billion for Native American and Alaskan Native housing programs, a 32-percent increase from the previous year.

Throughout her years on the subcommittee, she was a tireless champion for public transit, supporting and shepherding projects along in every corner of the country, including many critical transit projects in Washington State. The progress we made on those issues is part of an incredible legacy she has written into our Nation's laws through her work.

We all owe Dabney a debt of gratitude for working through many long nights and weekends and completing many hard negotiations in service of our Nation. As chair of the Appropriations Committee, I depended on Dabney's wisdom and counsel, and it is clear to all that her expertise, dedication, and ability to work across the aisle to make progress have made our country stronger. She is deeply missed.

On behalf of all the past committee leadership—and all the Senators and staff—who have worked with Dabney over the years and who know firsthand just how impactful her work and counsel have been, I would like to thank you, Dabney, for your service. You are missed, and we wish you all the best for what lies ahead. Thank you.

TRIBUTE TO ELLEN MURRAY

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Ellen Murray, who retired earlier this year after serving many, many years on the Senate Appropriations Committee across two different periods and who has left her fingerprints on so much of the crucial legislation to support our communities, help families grow and thrive, open doors of opportunity for students and workers, as well as strengthen our economy and the financial well-being of working people across the country, who are the backbone of our economy.

In 1999, Ellen Murray joined the staff of the Senate Appropriations Committee on the Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies and became the clerk of the subcommittee in 2000. In 2017, Ellen returned to the committee, after serving in the administration of President Obama, and was named clerk of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee. Across the two subcommit-

tees, she served under Senators Harkin, COONS, and VAN HOLLEN, and we all can attest that she was an invaluable member of both teams.

Through global challenges and economic tumult—including a historic pandemic that posed a serious threat to our Nation's economy and to families' futures—Ellen was at the center of crucial work to secure critical investments that help our government and our economy keep running smoothly and help families stay healthy and safe. She has worked tirelessly to make sure we are meeting the needs of families on the ground and providing the resources our government needs to do the work for the American people, protect consumers and workers, enforce laws, advance lifesaving medical research, and keep our economy and our communities secure, growing and thriving—and make life a little easier for families to look after their kids, look after their health, and make ends meet.

Among her many accomplishments, Ellen helped negotiate countless appropriations bills, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, and the CARES Act, and was a fierce advocate for good government. The progress we made on these issues is part of an incredible legacy she has written into our Nation's health, education, labor, and financial laws through her work. Ellen cared deeply about her work and the people around her. She advocated for her issues, but perhaps most importantly, she advocated for her team. She has left behind a legacy of mentorship and a community of appropriations staff who are that much better because of her influence.

We all owe Ellen a debt of gratitude for working through many long nights and weekends and for completing many hard negotiations in service of our Nation. As chair of the Appropriations Committee, I depended on Ellen's wisdom and counsel, and it is clear to all that her expertise, dedication, and ability to work across the aisle to make progress have made our country stronger. She will be deeply missed.

On behalf of all the past committee leadership—and all the Senators and staff—who have worked with Ellen over the years and who know firsthand just how impactful her counsel has been, I would like to thank you, Ellen, for your service. You are missed, and we wish you all the best for what lies ahead. Thank you.

REMEMBERING BOB GABLE

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, on November 29, 2024, the Commonwealth of Kentucky lost a towering figure in my home State's Republican Party with the passing of my dear friend Bob Gable. Today, it is my privilege to honor his extraordinary life and legacy.

A proud member of our Greatest Generation, Bob served his country as an officer in the Navy shortly after earning a degree from Stanford in industrial engineering. Bob had a deep sense