

McMaster-Evette 22, 9/29/2021 0:00, \$1,000; Strategic Advance Services LLC, 9/24/2021 0:00, \$10,000; NRSC, 9/22/2021 0:00, \$5,000; Georgia Republican Party, Inc., 6/23/2021 0:00, \$5,000.

By Mr. CRUZ for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

* Arielle Roth, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information.

* By Mr. LEE for the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

* James Danly, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

* Katharine MacGregor, of Florida, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

By Mrs. CAPITO for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

* Sean Donahue, of Florida, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

* Jessica Kramer, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

* Brian Nesvik, of Wyoming, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

By Mr. PAUL for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

* Scott Kupor, of California, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management for a term of four years.

* Eric Matthew Ueland, of Virginia, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

By Mr. MORAN for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

* Samuel Brown, of Nevada, to be Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Memorial Affairs.

* James Baehr, of Louisiana, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

* Richard Topping, of Ohio, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.

* 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.

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. CRAMER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 1361. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to give priority in the consideration of suicide prevention grants to entities located in States that have not received such a grant, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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

S. 1362. A bill to require the Department of Defense to use information and communications technology products obtained from original equipment manufacturers or authorized resellers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LUJÁN:

S. 1363. A bill to provide for greater cooperation and coordination between the Federal Government and the governing bodies and community users of land grant-mercedes in New Mexico relating to historical or traditional uses of certain land grant-mercedes on Federal public land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO:

S. 1364. A bill to exempt articles imported from Israel or Ukraine from duties imposed under the Executive Order entitled "Regulating Imports with a Reciprocal Tariff to Rectify Trade Practices that Contribute to Large and Persistent Annual United States Goods Trade Deficits"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN:

S. 1365. A bill to prohibit the awarding of contracts and grants to companies beneficially owned by special Government employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. SMITH:

S. 1366. A bill to protect, for current and future generations, the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and interconnected Federal land and waters, including Voyageurs National Park, within the Rainy River Watershed in the State of Minnesota, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 1367. A bill to protect intellectual property rights in the voice and visual likeness of individuals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida:

S. 1368. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to address the responsibilities of fiduciaries with respect to the Thrift Savings Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KAINE (for himself, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mr. CURTIS):

S. 1369. A bill to support the execution of bilateral agreements concerning illicit transnational maritime activity and to authorize the President to impose sanctions with respect to illegal, unreported, or unregulated fishing and the sale, supply, purchase, or transfer of endangered species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HEINRICH (for himself, Mr. KING, Mr. KELLY, Mr. BENNET, Mr. KAINE, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. WYDEN, and Ms. HIRONO):

S. 1370. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to restrict the possession of certain firearms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BOOZMAN:

S. 1371. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the number of eligible shareholders of an S corporation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. BENNET, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BLUNT ROCHSTER, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COONS, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. GALLEGO, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KIM, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. PETERS, Mr. REED, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SLOTKIN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WARNOCK, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 1372. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand, and make per-

manent certain modifications of, the earned income credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN:

S. 1373. A bill to make the Union Station Redevelopment Corporation eligible to receive certain grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HEINRICH (for himself, Ms.

COLLINS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. COONS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KAINE, Mr. REED, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. SMITH, Mr. KING, Mr. KELLY, Mr. BENNET, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. SCHIFF):

S. 1374. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit machinegun conversion devices and illegal modifications of semiautomatic firearms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HAGERTY:

S. 1375. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reinstate the exception for de minimis payments by third party settlement organizations with respect to returns relating to payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, as in effect prior to the enactment of the American Rescue Plan Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. WARNOCK, and Mr. BUDD):

S. 1376. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a study on the feasibility of designating the Benton MacKaye Trail as a national scenic trail; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mr. KAINE):

S. 1377. A bill to ensure the maintenance of a herd of horses in Theodore Roosevelt National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SCHATZ (for himself, Mr. SHEEHY, Mr. LUJÁN, and Mr. WELCH):

S. 1378. A bill to enhance the use by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of artificial intelligence for weather forecasting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 1379. A bill to ensure consumers have access to data relating to their motor vehicles, critical repair information, and tools, and to provide them choices for the maintenance, service, and repair of their motor vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. ROSEN (for herself and Mr. WICKER):

S. 1380. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize a loan repayment program to encourage specialty medicine physicians to serve in rural communities experiencing a shortage of specialty medicine physicians, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 1381. A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BANKS:

S. 1382. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to enhance the child tax

credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1383. A bill to establish the Veterans Advisory Committee on Equal Access, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BANKS (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. BUDD, Mr. DAINES, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 1384. A bill to require States to report information on Medicaid payments to abortion providers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FETTERMAN (for himself, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. WELCH, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. KING):

S. 1385. A bill to amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 and the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to direct the Agricultural Research Service to expand organic research, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 1386. A bill to provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. YOUNG (for himself and Mr. PADILLA):

S. 1387. A bill to authorize the National Biotechnology Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MORENO (for himself, Ms. SLOTKIN, and Mr. SHEEHY):

S. 1388. A bill to require the review by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States of greenfield and brownfield investments by foreign countries of concern; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MARSHALL (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. HICKENLOOPER):

S. 1389. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to modify the conservation reserve enhancement program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. BUDD):

S. 1390. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to revise certain physician self-referral exemptions relating to physician-owned hospitals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. SULLIVAN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. KING, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. PETERS):

S. 1391. A bill to amend the Federal Ocean Acidification Research And Monitoring Act of 2009 to require the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to collaborate with State and local governments and Indian Tribes on vulnerability assessments related to ocean acidification, research planning, and similar activities, and for purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. KING, and Mr. SULLIVAN):

S. 1392. A bill to establish Ocean Innovation Clusters to strengthen the coastal communities and ocean economy of the United States through technological research and

development, job training, and cross-sector partnerships, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. WARNOCK, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COONS, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. GALLEGOS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KIM, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. PETERS, Mr. REED, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SLOTKIN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 1393. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a refundable child tax credit with monthly advance payment; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. WARREN, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. FETTERMAN, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 1394. A bill to provide enhanced funding for family planning services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. MORAN):

S. 1395. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out activities to reduce food loss and waste, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 1396. A bill to require transparency with respect to content and content provenance information, to protect artistic content, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. YOUNG):

S. 1397. A bill to require the Secretary of State to establish a quantum cooperation program to enhance international cooperation in quantum information science; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. RICKETTS (for himself, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina):

S. 1398. A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to submit to Congress a report on residue testing for all imported organic feedstuffs shipped in bulk, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. ROUNDS (for himself, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. 1399. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure appropriate payment of certain algorithm-based healthcare services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. YOUNG):

S. 1400. A bill to amend the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to strengthen adult education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. RICKETTS, and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1401. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a certification process for the issuance of nondisclosure requirements accompanying certain administrative

subpoenas, to provide for judicial review of such nondisclosure requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROUNDS (for himself, Mr. BANKS, and Mr. SHEEHY):

S. 1402. A bill to abolish the Department of Education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. HICKENLOOPER):

S. Res. 163. A resolution recognizing the contributions of Clela Rorex, a pioneering county clerk who, in 1975, advanced civil rights for all couples seeking to be married; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. Res. 164. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. Res. 165. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the plan of President Trump and Elon Musk to fire 83,000 employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs is unacceptable and must be rescinded; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH:

S. Res. 166. A resolution demanding the immediate reinstatement of all veteran Federal employees involuntarily removed or otherwise dismissed without cause since January 20, 2025; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. KING):

S. Res. 167. A resolution recognizing the importance of the Arctic Council and reaffirming the commitment of the United States to the Arctic Council; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SCHATZ (for himself, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. WARREN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 168. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the Rise Up for LGBTQI+ Youth in Schools Initiative, a call to action to communities across the United States to demand equal educational opportunity, basic civil rights protections, and freedom from erasure for all students, particularly LGBTQI+ young people, in K-12 schools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 39

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mrs. MOODY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 39, a bill to increase the maximum reward amount for information leading to the arrest and conviction of Nicolas Maduro Moros to \$100,000,000, which shall be paid out by the Federal Government from all assets being withheld from Nicolas Maduro Moros, officials of the Maduro regime and their co-conspirators.

S. 46

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr.