

evasion relating to oil, gas, liquefied natural gas, and related petrochemical products from the Islamic Republic of Iran, and for other purposes.

S. 611

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 611, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and to expand eligibility for dependency and indemnity compensation paid to certain survivors of certain veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 1677

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1677, a bill to provide health insurance benefits for outpatient and inpatient items and services related to the diagnosis and treatment of a congenital anomaly or birth defect.

S. 1816

At the request of Mr. MARSHALL, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. SCHMITT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1816, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish requirements with respect to the use of prior authorization under Medicare Advantage plans.

S. 2269

At the request of Mr. SCHMITT, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2269, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to increase the criminal penalties for assaulting, resisting, or impeding an officer or employee of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

S. 2426

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) were added as cosponsors of S. 2426, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide pharmacy payment of certain services.

S. 2561

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2561, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reform the payment rules regarding skin substitute products.

S. 2613

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. FETTERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2613, a bill to establish protections for warehouse workers, and for other purposes.

S. 2687

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) were added as cosponsors of S. 2687, a bill to repeal the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022 en-

acted by the District of Columbia Council.

S. 2720

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 2720, a bill to provide technical assistance and grants for faith-based organizations, institutions of higher education, and local governments to increase the supply of affordable rental housing, and for other purposes.

S. 2817

At the request of Mr. GALLEG0, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2817, a bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to prohibit dual appointments of employees of the Federal Reserve System, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 71

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 71, a joint resolution terminating the national emergency declared with respect to energy.

S. RES. 389

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 389, a resolution condemning the extreme anti-vaccine policies of Secretary of Health and Human Services Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., strongly opposing the policies of the State of Florida that roll back immunization requirements, and expressing the sense of the Senate that vaccines are critical to protecting public health, eliminating preventable illness and death, and reducing hospitalizations and severity of illness, work best when adopted at a high level within each community, and must be made available to the public.

S. RES. 393

At the request of Mr. KING, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 393, a resolution designating September 25, 2025, as "National Lobster Day".

AMENDMENT NO. 3210

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3210 intended to be proposed to S. 2296, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 3288

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3288 intended to be proposed to S. 2296, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 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.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 397—EX-PRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF SEPTEMBER AS "DYSTONIA AWARENESS MONTH" TO PROMOTE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING OF DYSTONIA

Mr. BANKS (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 397

Whereas dystonia is a neurological movement disorder that causes excessive, involuntary muscle contractions, resulting in abnormal muscle movements and body postures;

Whereas dystonia affects an estimated 250,000 to 300,000 individuals in the United States, though the true number may be higher due to underdiagnosis and misdiagnosis;

Whereas dystonia can affect people of all ages, genders, and backgrounds, and may appear as a standalone condition or as a symptom of other neurological disorders;

Whereas there are multiple forms of dystonia, including focal, segmental, and generalized dystonias, that may impact a person's ability to walk, speak, see, or perform daily tasks;

Whereas dystonia can cause significant physical disability, social isolation, emotional distress, and financial hardship for individuals and families;

Whereas, although there is no cure for dystonia, treatments such as botulinum toxin injections, oral medications, deep brain stimulation, and supportive therapies can help manage symptoms and improve quality of life;

Whereas greater awareness and understanding of dystonia will lead to earlier diagnosis, expanded research, improved treatments, and better support for individuals and families living with this condition;

Whereas medical researchers and clinicians are working diligently to increase awareness and advance knowledge of dystonia through outreach, education, and scientific study;

Whereas servicemembers and veterans may experience dystonia as a result of traumatic brain injury, exposure to certain medications, or other service-related conditions, underscoring the importance of research, treatment access, and care within the health systems of the Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs; and

Whereas the Peer Reviewed Medical Research Program of the Department of Defense has awarded competitive research grants supporting studies on dystonia, reflecting the recognition of its impact on the health of servicemembers, veterans, and the general population: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) expresses support for the designation of September as "Dystonia Awareness Month";

(2) recognizes the need for further research to discover new treatments and a cure for dystonia;

(3) commends the efforts of medical professionals and researchers who work to improve the lives of individuals with dystonia; and

(4) encourages the people of the United States to observe Dystonia Awareness Month

with appropriate programs and activities to raise public awareness and understanding of dystonia.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 398—CON-
DEMNING THE TREATMENT OF
DR. GUBAD IBADOGLU BY THE
GOVERNMENT OF AZERBAIJAN
AND URGING HIS IMMEDIATE
RELEASE**

Mr. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. FETTERMAN, and Mr. KAINE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 398

Whereas recent diplomatic progress in peace accords between Armenia and Azerbaijan has raised hopes for a more stable and prosperous future in the South Caucasus;

Whereas that progress presents an important opportunity for Azerbaijan to strengthen its global partnerships and demonstrate its commitment to international norms;

Whereas that progress cannot be fully realized while wrongful detentions and human rights violations persist in Azerbaijan;

Whereas Dr. Gubad Ibadoghlu, a respected academic and economist, and his wife, Irada Bayramova, were arrested by Azerbaijani authorities on July 23, 2023, and severely beaten while in police custody;

Whereas Dr. Ibadoghlu was dubiously accused of multiple criminal acts without evidence, imprisoned in extremely poor conditions, and denied adequate medical care, resulting in significant health deterioration;

Whereas, although transferred to house arrest on April 22, 2024, Dr. Ibadoghlu has been denied a trial date, left in legal limbo, and subjected to repeated violations of due process and access to counsel;

Whereas the Department of State, the United States Embassy in Baku, leading academic institutions, Members of Congress, and respected international organizations have all expressed deep concern and called for the immediate release of Dr. Ibadoghlu;

Whereas the Government of Azerbaijan's continued practice of wrongful detention, including cases such as those of Bakhtiyar Hajiyev, Avaz Zeynalli, Ulviyya Guliyeva, Farid Mehralizada, and Elchin Sadigov, undermines the credibility of its commitments to peace and partnership with the community of democracies; and

Whereas Azerbaijan has sought to highlight its international engagement and prestige through events such as the Formula 1 Grand Prix and other global forums, but those efforts are fundamentally at odds with the continued detention of political prisoners and the denial of basic humanitarian standards: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commends the progress made in peace negotiations between Armenia and Azerbaijan, and expresses hope that such progress will lead to lasting peace and greater international engagement;

(2) condemns—

(A) the treatment of Dr. Ibadoghlu and other political prisoners by the Government of Azerbaijan;

(B) the Government of Azerbaijan's practice of wrongful detention; and

(C) the suppression of academic freedom and peaceful expression;

(3) calls for the immediate and unconditional release of political prisoners in Azerbaijan, including Dr. Ibadoghlu, and specifically urges his release in advance of Azerbaijan's hosting of international events such as the Formula 1 Grand Prix, further under-

scoring that until such release occurs, the United States cannot treat those events as positive opportunities for partnership and will instead continue to highlight in such forums the persistence of wrongful detentions and human rights concerns; and

(4) urges all responsible officials and agencies of the United States Government, including the Department of State, the Department of the Treasury, and other relevant entities, to make Dr. Ibadoghlu's well-being and release a priority in all engagements with the Government of Azerbaijan, reinforcing that genuine peace must be accompanied by respect for human rights and academic freedom.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 399—CON-
GRATULATING THE PEOPLE OF
NORTH MACEDONIA ON THE 34TH
ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR INDE-
PENDENCE AND CELEBRATING
THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF DIP-
LOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN
NORTH MACEDONIA AND THE
UNITED STATES**

Mr. WELCH (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. RICKETTS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 399

Whereas the Republic of North Macedonia peacefully asserted and achieved independent statehood on September 8, 1991, and has since become a secure, democratic, and prosperous country and a key United States ally and strategic partner in the Western Balkans;

Whereas North Macedonia affirmed its commitment to joining the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in 1993, adopted major defense reforms, built a modern, professional defense force, and became the 30th NATO alliance member on March 27, 2020;

Whereas, in 1993, the State of Vermont and North Macedonia established a partnership under the National Guard State Partnership Program;

Whereas, in 1995, the United States and North Macedonia established full diplomatic relations;

Whereas, in 2008, the United States signed a Declaration of Strategic Partnership and Cooperation with North Macedonia;

Whereas, in June 2022, North Macedonia held a strategic dialogue with the United States, marking a significant bilateral milestone and step toward implementation of the Declaration of Strategic Partnership and Cooperation;

Whereas, on May 29, 2025, United States Secretary of State Marco Rubio met with North Macedonia Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade Timco Mucunski, commended the strong relationship between the two countries, and highlighted mutual interests in regional stability, economic cooperation, and NATO;

Whereas North Macedonia has demonstrated its importance to the European Union and the United States as a security partner and NATO ally, providing Ukraine with humanitarian aid and considerable military equipment, voting in favor of United Nations Security Council and General Assembly resolutions against Russian aggression, and adopting all European Union sanctions on the Russian Federation;

Whereas the resolution of the naming dispute between Greece and North Macedonia paved the way for North Macedonia's NATO membership and candidacy for membership in the European Union;

Whereas the Government of North Macedonia has demonstrated its commitment to Euro-Atlantic integration through alignment with the Common Foreign and Security Policy of the European Union; and

Whereas September 8, 2025, marks the 34th anniversary of the independence of North Macedonia, a moment to reflect on the country's achievements in establishing and maintaining a resilient democracy in the service of the freedom and prosperity of the people of North Macedonia: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) extends congratulations and best wishes to the people of North Macedonia as they celebrate the 34th anniversary of their independence;

(2) honors the bond of friendship between the United States and North Macedonia and the shared values of freedom, democracy, and good governance;

(3) recognizes the cooperation between the State of Vermont and North Macedonia and the partnership between the Vermont National Guard and the Army of the Republic of North Macedonia;

(4) appreciates North Macedonia's continued commitment to the Prespa Agreement;

(5) honors five years of shared security, collective defense, and joint military alliance with North Macedonia as a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization;

(6) appreciates North Macedonia's active role in fostering peace and stability in Eastern Europe and the Western Balkans and advancing democratic reforms and Euro-Atlantic integration, and its alignment with positions of the European Union and the United States on security and foreign policy; and

(7) looks toward many more decades of shared prosperity, peace, cooperation, and friendship.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 400—EX-
PRESSING SUPPORT FOR DES-
IGNATION OF THE WEEK OF SEP-
TEMBER 14 THROUGH 20, 2025, AS
“NATIONAL ADULT EDUCATION
AND FAMILY LITERACY WEEK”**

Mr. REED (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. KING, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. DURBIN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 400

Whereas new data released in December 2024 by the Program for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies reported that nearly 59,000,000 adults in the United States lack the basic literacy, numeracy, and digital skills necessary to succeed at home, in the workplace, and in society;

Whereas data from the 2023 American Community Survey indicated that nearly 21,000,000 adults in the United States lack a high school credential and another 20,000,000 adults in the United States lack adequate English-language skills;

Whereas the literacy of the people of the United States is essential for the economic and societal well-being and the national security of the United States;

Whereas the United States reaps the economic benefits of individuals who improve their literacy, numeracy, and English-language skills;

Whereas literacy, numeracy, and digital skills are necessary for individuals to fully benefit from the range of opportunities available in the United States;

Whereas the economy and position of the United States in the world marketplace depend on having a literate, skilled population;