

(Mr. WELCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2255, a bill to provide for the vacating of certain convictions and expungement of certain arrests of victims of human trafficking.

S. 2392

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2392, a bill to increase, effective as of December 1, 2025, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 2502

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2502, a bill to deny entry into the United States of current or former government officials engaged in the forced repatriation of Uyghurs and other designated aliens to the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes.

S. 2621

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2621, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize support for State-based maternal mortality review committees, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to disseminate best practices on maternal mortality prevention to hospitals, State-based professional societies, and perinatal quality collaboratives, and for other purposes.

S. 2998

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2998, a bill to designate the area of H Street Northwest between Connecticut Avenue Northwest and Vermont Avenue Northwest in Washington, District of Columbia, as "Charlie Kirk Patriot Way".

S. 3012

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. MCCORMICK) were added as cosponsors of S. 3012, a bill to appropriate funds for pay and allowances of excepted Federal employees for periods of work performed during a lapse in appropriations, and for other purposes.

S. 3013

At the request of Mr. COTTON, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. MULLIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3013, a bill to require all testing relating to the issuance or renewal of a commercial driver's license to be conducted only in English, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 451

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE) was added as a cosponsor of

S. Res. 451, a resolution condemning attacks on Federal law enforcement in the State of Illinois.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 457—DESIGNATING THE WEEK BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 19, 2025, AS "COAL WEEK"

Ms. LUMMIS (for herself, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. LEE, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. JUSTICE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. SHEEHY, and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 457

Whereas the men and women in the coal industry who play a part in building, maintaining, and delivering access to energy should be commended for their hard work and vital role in modern life;

Whereas coal continues to serve as a reliable and affordable source of baseload power for consumers across the United States and provided 19.5 percent of the utility-scale electricity in the United States in 2022;

Whereas coal is the most abundant source of electricity worldwide, providing more than 36 percent of global electricity as of the date of introduction of this resolution;

Whereas coal was a critical source of power for the industrial revolution, driving steam engines, factories, and transportation such as railways and steam ships;

Whereas coal is an essential energy source that significantly enhanced the military readiness of the United States by enabling modernization of the Navy fleet from sail to steam-powered ships;

Whereas coal remains an important source of energy for the United States, supporting the reliable power needs essential to military readiness and national security;

Whereas the United States has made significant progress in reducing emissions from coal power plants through the adoption of advanced emission reduction technologies; and

Whereas these reductions contribute to improved air quality and public health while sustaining the energy necessary to maintain a steady and strong national gross domestic product: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates the week beginning on October 19, 2025, as "Coal Week"; and

(2) congratulates the ongoing progress in reducing coal emissions every year, while recognizing the role of coal in ensuring essential energy for the military readiness and economic stability of the United States.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 3932. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3012, to appropriate funds for pay and allowances of excepted Federal employees for periods of work performed during a lapse in appropriations, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 3932. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3012, to appropriate funds for pay and allowances of ex-

cepted Federal employees for periods of work performed during a lapse in appropriations, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . REAUTHORIZATION OF NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM.

(a) FINANCING.—Section 1309(a) of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4016(a)) is amended by striking "September 30, 2023" and inserting "September 30, 2026".

(b) PROGRAM EXPIRATION.—Section 1319 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4026) is amended by striking "September 30, 2023" and inserting "September 30, 2026".

(c) RETROACTIVE EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect as if enacted on September 30, 2025.

NOTICE: REGISTRATION OF MASS MAILINGS

The filing date for the 2025 third quarter Mass Mailing report is Monday, October 27, 2025. An electronic option is available on Webster that will allow forms to be submitted via a fillable PDF document. If your office did no mass mailings during this period, please submit a form that states "none."

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For further information, please contact the Senate Office of Public Records at (202) 224-0322.

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114-196, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the United States Semiquincentennial Commission: Kellyanne Conway of Washington, D.C., vice Tom Walker.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE MATH AND TAXPAYER HELP ACT

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 998 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. 998) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require additional information on math and clerical error notices.

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

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, 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. 998) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

CONGRESSIONAL AWARD PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of S. 284 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. 284) to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act.

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

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, 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 (S. 284) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed as follows:

S. 284

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 "Congressional Award Program Reauthorization Act".

SEC. 2. TERMINATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 108 of the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 808) is amended by striking "October 1, 2023" and inserting "October 1, 2028".

(b) RETROACTIVE EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect as if enacted on October 1, 2023.

SEC. 3. OTHER AMENDMENTS.

Section 102 of the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 802) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking "Each medal shall consist of gold-plate over bronze,

rhodium over bronze, or bronze and shall be struck in accordance with subsection (f)."; and

(2) in subsection (f)(1), in the second sentence, by striking "Subject to subsection (a), the" and inserting "The".

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 21; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each; and that at 11 a.m., the Senate execute the order of October 16 in relation to the Mooty nomination; further, that the Senate recess following disposition of the Mooty nomination until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings; finally, if any nominations are confirmed during Tuesday's session of the Senate, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:26 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JENNIFER WICKS MCNAMARA, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS VICE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE AIR FORCE AND AP-

POINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 601 AND 9034, WHICH WAS FORWARDED ON JULY 15, 2025:

To be general

GEN. THOMAS A. BUSSIÈRE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be brigadier general

COL. EDWARD J. FINK, JR.

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be brigadier general

COL. SONYA L. MORRISON

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS VICE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY AND APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 601 AND 7034:

To be general

LT. GEN. CHRISTOPHER C. LANEVE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be general

LT. GEN. JOSEPH A. RYAN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be brigadier general

COL. MICHAEL P. FLAHERTY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be brigadier general

COL. CONSTANCE L. JENKINS

COL. MARK E. STACKLE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be brigadier general

COL. CHRISTOPHER B. CREAGHE

COL. JEREMY D. JOHNSON

COL. CAROLINE R. POGGE

WITHDRAWAL

Executive Message transmitted by the President to the Senate on October 20, 2025 withdrawing from further Senate consideration the following nomination:

JENNIFER WICKS MCNAMARA, OF VIRGINIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON OCTOBER 2, 2025.