

Whereas the prevalence of anxiety, insomnia, social dysfunction, and severe depression is much higher among victims of stalking than the general population;

Whereas many victims of stalking do not report stalking to the police or contact a victim service provider, shelter, or hotline;

Whereas stalking is a crime under Federal law, the laws of all 50 States, the District of Columbia, the territories of the United States, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice;

Whereas stalking affects victims of every race, age, culture, gender, sexual orientation, physical and mental ability, and economic status;

Whereas national organizations, local victim service organizations, college and university campuses, prosecutor's offices, and police departments stand ready to assist victims of stalking and are working diligently to develop effective and innovative responses to stalking, including online stalking;

Whereas there is a need to improve the response of the criminal justice system to stalking through more aggressive investigation and prosecution;

Whereas there is a need for an increase in the availability of victim services across the United States, and those services must include programs tailored to meet the needs of victims of stalking;

Whereas individuals between 18 and 24 years old experience the highest rates of stalking victimization, and a majority of stalking victims report their victimization first occurred before the age of 25;

Whereas 43 percent of women in college who experience stalking by an intimate partner also experience sexual or physical assault;

Whereas college students with disabilities are twice as likely as college students without disabilities to experience stalking;

Whereas there is a need for an effective response to stalking on each college and university campus;

Whereas 80 percent of stalking victims report being stalked with technology, such as phone calls, text messages, social media platforms, internet posts, emails, and electronic tracking;

Whereas victims of technology-facilitated stalking often report higher fear than victims who experience in-person stalking and are just as concerned for their safety;

Whereas January 2026 marks the 22nd anniversary of the first "National Stalking Awareness Month"; and

Whereas the Senate finds that "National Stalking Awareness Month" provides an opportunity to educate the people of the United States about stalking: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates January 2026 as "National Stalking Awareness Month";

(2) applauds the efforts of service providers, police departments, prosecutor's offices, national and community organizations, colleges and universities, and private sector entities that combat stalking, support victims, and bring awareness to this crime;

(3) encourages policymakers, criminal justice officials, victim service and human service agencies, institutions of higher education, and nonprofit organizations to increase awareness of stalking and continue to support the availability of services for victims of stalking; and

(4) urges national and community organizations, businesses in the private sector, and the media to promote awareness of the crime of stalking through "National Stalking Awareness Month".

SENATE RESOLUTION 587—DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 25 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2026, AS "NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK"

Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. MOODY, Mr. LANKFORD, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. TILLIS, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. LEE, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. DAINES, Mr. HUSTED, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BANKS, Mr. JUSTICE, Mr. COTTON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BUDD, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. CURTIS, Mr. MORENO, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. ERNST, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 587

Whereas providing a diversity of choices in K–12 education empowers parents to select education environments that meet the individual needs and strengths of their children;

Whereas high-quality K–12 education environments of all varieties are available in the United States, including traditional public schools, public charter schools, public magnet schools, private schools, online academies, and home schooling;

Whereas talented teachers and school leaders in each of these education environments prepare children to achieve their dreams;

Whereas more families than ever before in the United States actively choose the best education for their children;

Whereas more public awareness of the issue of school choice in education can inform additional families of the benefits of proactively choosing challenging, motivating, and effective education environments for their children;

Whereas the process by which parents choose schools for their children is non-political, nonpartisan, and deserves the utmost respect; and

Whereas tens of thousands of events are planned to celebrate the benefits of educational choice during the 16th annual National School Choice Week, held during the week of January 25 through January 31, 2026: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates the week of January 25 through January 31, 2026, as "National School Choice Week";

(2) congratulates students, parents, teachers, and school leaders from K–12 education environments of all varieties for their persistence, achievements, dedication, and contributions to society in the United States;

(3) encourages all parents, during National School Choice Week, to learn more about the education options available to them; and

(4) encourages the people of the United States to hold appropriate programs, events, and activities during National School Choice Week to raise public awareness of the benefits of opportunity in education.

SENATE RESOLUTION 588—CELEBRATING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP

Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER,

Mr. HEINRICH, and Mr. MERKLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

S. RES. 588

Whereas the first International Coastal Cleanup (ICC) began in 1986 along the coastline of Texas, led by Linda Maraniss and Kathy O'Hara of Ocean Conservancy's predecessor organization;

Whereas the ICC spread to other States the following year and has become the largest annual volunteer event in the United States;

Whereas Canada and Mexico began hosting ICC events in 1989;

Whereas, since 1986, nearly 19,000,000 volunteers have joined local cleanup efforts to remove over 400,000,000 pounds of ocean trash from beaches and waterways from 155 countries around the globe and nearly every State in the country;

Whereas, in 2024 alone, over 486,000 volunteers came out to conduct cleanups of all shapes and sizes, in over 100 countries and almost every State, collecting 7,500,000 pounds of trash globally;

Whereas a network of partners, including nonprofits and State and local governments, coordinate the cleanup of hundreds of sites along the coasts of the United States;

Whereas, nationwide, nearly 140,000,000 individual trash items and 122,500,000 pounds of trash have been removed from the environment and recorded via the ICC data card or Clean Swell app;

Whereas data collected by ICC volunteers has resulted in the world's largest database of trackable, comparable data on ocean trash, totaling over 420,000,000 items, which is collected and published by Ocean Conservancy and is the largest and longest running citizen science ocean trash dataset in the world;

Whereas, as of 2025, 43 peer-reviewed scientific papers have used data from the ICC and more than 290 have cited the ICC;

Whereas over 70 percent of all ocean trash items collected through the ICC over the past 4 decades in the United States have been single-use plastics;

Whereas cleanups will not solve the plastic pollution crisis, but continue to play a vital role in reducing ocean plastic pollution;

Whereas, in 4 decades, the ICC has built a groundswell of ocean advocates and helped to raise awareness around the plastic pollution crisis;

Whereas local cleanups have an immediate, positive impact on the environment and communities and prevent future harm from plastics already out in the world;

Whereas participating in the ICC is one simple way that anyone, anywhere can take action for the oceans, whether on the coast or far inland; and

Whereas September 2025 marked the 40th anniversary of the International Coastal Cleanup: Now: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) celebrates 2025 as the 40th anniversary of the International Coastal Cleanup;

(2) supports the goals and ambitions of the International Coastal Cleanup;

(3) encourages the people of the United States to participate in International Coastal Cleanup activities; and

(4) highlights the importance of reducing plastic pollution and addressing the problem at its source by producing less plastics.

SENATE RESOLUTION 589—CONGRATULATING THE MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2025 DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. DAINES (for himself and Mr. SHEEHY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 589

Whereas, on January 5, 2026, the Montana State University Bobcats football team (referred to in this preamble as the “Bobcats”) won the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Football Championship Subdivision (referred to in this preamble as the “FCS”) national championship by defeating the Illinois State University Redbirds 35 to 34 in a thrilling overtime victory;

Whereas the Bobcats secured their first FCS Championship since 1984 and fourth national championship title for football in school history;

Whereas head coach Brent Vigen led the Bobcats to a second consecutive national championship appearance and third appearance during his 5-year tenure;

Whereas the Bobcats secured the 2025 Big Sky Conference Championship;

Whereas the Bobcats defeated their archrivals, the University of Montana Grizzlies, in the game known as the “Brawl of the Wild” on November 22, 2025, in Missoula, Montana;

Whereas, on December 20, 2025, in Bozeman, Montana, the Bobcats defeated the University of Montana Grizzlies again in the first postseason matchup between the two programs since the rivalry began in 1897;

Whereas the Bobcats finished the season on a 14-game winning streak, defeating seven ranked opponents;

Whereas the President of Montana State University, Dr. Brock Tessman, former President, Dr. Waded Cruzado, and Athletic Director, Leon Costello, have fostered a dedication of athletic and academic excellence at the institution;

Whereas five Bobcats earned FCS Football Central All-American honors, including offensive lineman Titan Fleischmann, safety Caden Dowler, defensive lineman Kenneth Eiden IV, running back Julius Davis, and defensive lineman Paul Brott;

Whereas 44 players on the Montana State roster are from Montana and embody the State’s values of possessing a strong work ethic, toughness, and dedication;

Whereas, in the national championship game, quarterback Justin Lamson rushed for two touchdowns and threw for 280 yards and two touchdowns, including the game-tying touchdown pass on fourth down in overtime, earning the game’s Most Outstanding Player;

Whereas Taco Dowler, from Billings, Montana, caught eight passes for a total of 111 yards, including the game-tying touchdown catch in overtime.

Whereas the Bobcat special teams blocked a fourth quarter field goal attempt and overtime extra point attempt, preventing Illinois State from taking and extending crucial leads late in the game;

Whereas Myles Sansted kicked the game-winning extra point in overtime to secure a hard-fought victory; and

Whereas the Bobcats were supported at the game in Nashville, Tennessee, by the Spirit of the West Marching Band, cheerleaders, and thousands of faculty members, students, alumni, and fans from around Montana and the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Montana State University Bobcats football team for winning the 2025 Division I Football Championship Subdivision Championship;

(2) recognizes the players, coaches, staff, and fans whose hard work and dedication led to the championship; and

(3) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate prepare an official copy of the resolution for presentation to—

(A) the President of Montana State University, Dr. Brock Tessman;

(B) Athletic Director, Leon Costello; and

(C) head coach of the Montana State University football team, Brent Vigen.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4234. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4235. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4236. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4237. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4238. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4234. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the matter preceding division A, insert the following:

SEC. ____ STRIKE OF NEW IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT EARMARK.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, none of the funds provided under any division of this Act may be used for the Community and Training Center by the New Immigrant Community Empowerment.

SA 4235. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in division B, insert the following:

SEC. ____ STRIKE OF JACOB’S PILLOW DANCE FESTIVAL EARMARK.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, none of the funds provided under any division of this Act may be used for the Congressionally Directed Spending project for Jacob’s Pillow Dance Festival, Inc., MA, for an arts education program.

SA 4236. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, making further consolidated appropriations for

the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the matter preceding division A, insert the following:

SEC. ____ STRIKE OF EARMARKS.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, none of the funds provided under any division of this Act may be used for any Congressionally Directed Spending project specified in any provision of any such division.

SA 4237. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the matter preceding division A, insert the following:

SEC. ____ STRIKE OF METROPOLITAN OPERA ASSOCIATION EARMARK.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, none of the funds provided under any division of this Act may be used for the Elevator Modernization for ADA Accessibility by the Metropolitan Opera Association, Inc.

SEC. ____ STRIKE OF METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART EARMARK.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, none of the funds provided under any division of this Act may be used for the 83rd Street ADA Accessible Entrance by the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

SA 4238. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7148, making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

DIVISION ____—SAVE ACT

SEC. ____001. SHORT TITLE.

This division may be cited as the “Safe-guard American Voter Eligibility Act” or the “SAVE Act”.

SEC. ____002. ENSURING ONLY CITIZENS ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS FOR FEDERAL OFFICE.

(a) DEFINITION OF DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP.—Section 3 of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20502) is amended—

(1) by striking “As used” and inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—As used”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following: “(b) DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP.—As used in this Act, the term ‘documentary proof of United States citizenship’ means, with respect to an applicant for voter registration, any of the following:

“(1) A form of identification issued consistent with the requirements of the REAL ID Act of 2005 that indicates the applicant is a citizen of the United States.

“(2) A valid United States passport.

“(3) The applicant’s official United States military identification card, together with a United States military record of service showing that the applicant’s place of birth was in the United States.

“(4) A valid government-issued photo identification card issued by a Federal, State or Tribal government showing that the applicant’s place of birth was in the United States.

“(5) A valid government-issued photo identification card issued by a Federal, State or