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TRIBUTE TO MAXWELL LERAY

● Mr. SHEEHY. Madam President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Maxwell Leray for his hard work as an intern in my Great Falls office this summer.

Maxwell is a native of Great Falls, MT. He recently graduated from Grand Canyon University, where he obtained a degree in political science. Maxwell has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and his efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Maxwell for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having him as part of our team this summer, and I wish him all the best as he continues to build a bright future for himself.●

TRIBUTE TO CHLOE McCULLOCH

● Mr. SHEEHY. Madam President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Chloe McCulloch for her hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office this summer.

Chloe is a native of Missoula, MT. She attends Vanderbilt University, where she is studying to obtain a degree in medicine, health, and society (MHS) and law, history, and society (LHS). Chloe has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and her efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Chloe for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team this summer, and I wish her all the best as she continues to build a bright future for herself.●

TRIBUTE TO BRYNN NOTBOHM

● Mr. SHEEHY. Madam President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Brynn Notbohm for her hard work as an intern in my Billings office this summer.

Jane is a native of Miles City, MT. She attends Carrol College, where she is studying to obtain a degree in political science. Brynn has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and her efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Brynn for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team this summer, and I wish her all the best as she continues to build a bright future for herself.●

TRIBUTE TO KIRA RENNE

● Mr. SHEEHY. Madam President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Kira Renne for her hard work as an intern in my Helena office this summer.

Jane is a native of Pony, MT. She attends Virginia Military Institute, where she is studying to obtain a degree in mechanical engineering. Kira has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and her efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Kira for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team this summer, and I wish her all the best as she continues to build a bright future for herself.●

TRIBUTE TO ISABELLA ROSA

● Mr. SHEEHY. Madam President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Isabella Rosa for her hard work as an intern in my Bozeman office this summer.

Jane is a native of Bozeman, MT. She attends University of Greenwich, where she is studying to obtain a degree in politics and international relations. Isabella has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and her efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Isabella for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team this summer, and I wish her all the best as she continues to build a bright future for herself.●

TRIBUTE TO MORGAN SITES

● Mr. SHEEHY. Madam President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Morgan Sites for his hard work as an intern in my Bozeman office this summer.

Morgan is a native of Livingston, MT. He attends Hillsdale College, where he is studying to obtain a degree in political science and theology. Morgan has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and his efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Morgan for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having him as part of our team this summer, and I wish him all the best as he continues to build a bright future for himself.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Hanley, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following concurrent resolutions were discharged from the Committee on the Budget pursuant to Section 300 of the Congressional Budget Act and placed on the calendar:

S. Con. Res. 38. Concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2027 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2028 through 2036.

S. Con. Res. 39. Concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2027 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2028 through 2036.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4361. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act, the notification of enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability ((RSAT Case 26-0B) (OSS-2026-0285)); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4362. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(b)(1) and 36(c)(2) of the Arms Export Control Act, the Memorandum of Justification to authorize the immediate transfer and licensing of U.S.-origin defense articles to the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, and Jordan (OSS-2026-0236); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4363. A communication from the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, transmitting, a letter expressing support for the reauthorization of section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) (OSS-2026-0299); to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-4364. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Visas: Visa Bond Program" (RIN1400-AG33) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4365. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Comptroller's 2025 Office of Minority and Women Inclusion Annual Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4366. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alaska: Final Authorization

of State Hazardous Waste Program" (FRL No. 13305-02-R10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4367. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, telomer with 1-dodecanethiol, and 2-methyloxirane polymer with oxirane monoether with 1,2-propanediol mono(2-methyl-2-propenoate) in Pesticide Formulations; Exemption from the Requirement for a Tolerance" (FRL No. 13511-01-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4368. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus thuringiensis eCry1Gb.1lg Protein; Exemption from the Requirement of a Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 13446-01-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4369. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reducing Bureaucracy and Burden for Family Assistance Programs" (RIN0970-AD38) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4370. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reducing Bureaucracy and Burden in Family Violence and Prevention Services" (RIN0970-AD42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4371. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities; Updates to the Quality Reporting Program for Federal Fiscal Year 2027" (RIN0938-AV75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4372. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal Fiscal Year 2027 and Updates to the IRF Quality Reporting Program" (RIN0938-AV76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4373. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Fiscal Year 2027 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System-Rate Update" (RIN0938-AV77) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4374. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare

and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Program; Fiscal Year 2027 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update and Hospice Quality Reporting Program Requirements" (RIN0938-AV78) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4375. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals (IPPS) and the Long Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Policy Changes and Fiscal Year 2027 Rates; Requirements for Quality Programs; Other Policy Changes; and Adoption of Updated Versions of Certain Health Information Technology Standards" ((RIN0938-AV79) (RIN0938-AV44)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2026; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CASSIDY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 4189. A bill to reduce the price of insulin and provide for patient protections with respect to the cost of insulin.

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. THUNE (for himself and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 5359. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to Pennington County, South Dakota, certain National Forest System land; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. McCORMICK (for himself, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. CURTIS, and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. 5360. A bill to amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to reauthorize the Rural and Municipal Utility Advanced Cybersecurity Grant and Technical Assistance Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 5361. A bill to improve the use and management of mobile medical units by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. RISCH, Mr. KAINE, Mr. YOUNG, Ms. ROSEN, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 5362. A bill to direct the Secretary of State to advocate for the inclusion and recognition of the Central Tibetan Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HUSTED (for himself and Ms. LUMMIS):

S. 5363. A bill to amend sections 111, 169, and 171 of the Clean Air Act to clarify when a physical change in, or change in the method of operation of, a stationary source constitutes a modification or construction, and

for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. HYDE-SMITH:

S. 5364. A bill to support rural families; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BOOKER:

S. 5365. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, to award grants to train community mental wellness workers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. GALLEG0 (for himself and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 5366. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow 5-year carrybacks for the low-income housing tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GALLEG0:

S. 5367. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to eliminate the recoupment of separation pay, special separation benefits, and voluntary separation incentive payments from members of the Armed Forces who subsequently receive disability compensation under laws administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs and to impose limitations on the authority of the Secretary of Defense to recoup such pay from members who subsequently receive military retired or retainer pay; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCHIFF (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 5368. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish or modify cybersecurity requirements for drinking water and wastewater systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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

S. 5369. A bill to reauthorize and expand the imposition of sanctions under the Nicaragua Investment Conditionality Act of 2018, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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

S. 5370. A bill to state the policy of the United States with respect to international religious freedom in the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. BANKS):

S. 5371. A bill to close loopholes in the immigration laws that serve as incentives to aliens to attempt to enter the United States unlawfully, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 5372. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the issuance of natural lifetime injunctions for certain victims; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROUNDS:

S. 5373. A bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to limit the compensation and benefits provided to executive officers of the Postal Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. RISCH (for himself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 5374. A bill to facilitate the conveyance of certain land in Bonners Ferry, Idaho, plat- ted under section 2387 of the Revised Statutes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 5375. A bill to provide for records preservation processes for certain at-risk Afghan allies; to the Committee on Armed Services.