

EC-1081. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Amendment 17B; Correction" (RIN0648-AY11) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 24, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1082. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the regulatory status of each recommendation on the National Transportation Safety Board's Most Wanted List; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1083. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, the Department's Annual Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-6. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of West Virginia urging the United States Congress to oppose any action to reduce funding for Community Service Block Grants; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 37

Whereas, Community Service Block Grants (CSBG) are a critical source of funding for Community Action Agencies across the country; and

Whereas, Community Action Agencies provide housing, nutrition, health care, education and weatherization programs to low-income families, equipping them with the tools they need to become successful members of society; and

Whereas, West Virginia has sixteen Community Action Agencies that employ 2,180 individuals; and

Whereas, our sixteen Community Action Agencies serve all of West Virginia's fifty-five counties; and

Whereas, in 2009 close to 112,000 West Virginians, over 55,000 families, received services through Community Action Agencies; and

Whereas, Community Action Agencies are an essential component of economic recovery, as their main objective is the elimination of poverty; and

Whereas, in 2009, West Virginia Community Action Agencies leveraged \$18,194,807 in Community Service Block Grants into more than \$90 million in additional resources for anti-poverty efforts in West Virginia; and

Whereas, President Obama has proposed a fifty percent reduction of Community Service Block Grants funding and made the remaining funds competitive instead of continuing the current allocation formula; Therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:* That the Legislature hereby urges the members of the West Virginia Delegation to the United States Congress to oppose any action by Congress or the President to reduce funding for Community Service Block Grants; and, be it, further

*Resolved,* That the Clerk of Senate is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and

Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, members of the West Virginia Congressional Delegation and the President of the United States.

POM-7. A joint resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Colorado recognizing the bravery and sacrifice of the crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo and designating January 23rd each year as "U.S.S. Pueblo Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11-1005

Whereas, the U.S.S. Pueblo was originally launched as a United States Army cargo ship in 1944 but was transferred to the United States Navy and renamed the U.S.S. Pueblo in 1966; and

Whereas, the U.S.S. Pueblo was named for the city of Pueblo, Colorado, and the county of Pueblo, Colorado, and was the third ship in the naval fleet to bear the name Pueblo; and

Whereas, after leaving Japan in early January 1968 on an intelligence mission, the U.S.S. Pueblo was attacked by the North Korean military on January 23, 1968; and

Whereas, according to United States Naval authorities and the crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo, the ship was in international waters at the time of the attack; and

Whereas, one crew member of the U.S.S. Pueblo was killed during the attack, and eighty crew members and two civilian oceanographers were captured and held for eleven months by the North Korean government; and

Whereas, this year marks the forty-third anniversary of North Korea's attack on the U.S.S. Pueblo and her crew; and

Whereas, the U.S.S. Pueblo is still in commission in the United States Navy, but continues to be held by the North Korean government and is currently a museum in Pyongyang, North Korea; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-eighth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

(1) That we, the members of the General Assembly, recognize the bravery and sacrifice of the crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo; and

(2) That we take pride in the fact that the U.S.S. Pueblo bears the name of a city and a county in Colorado, and, therefore, the citizens of Colorado should be aware of the incident that occurred with the U.S.S. Pueblo forty-three years ago; and

(3) That we hereby designate January 23 each year as "U.S.S. Pueblo Day" as a day to remember and honor the brave crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo; be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent to President Barack Obama, Governor John W. Hickenlooper, President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate Daniel K. Inouye, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives John Boehner, and the members of Colorado's congressional delegation.

### 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. COBURN (for himself and Mr. KOHL):

S. 674. A bill to amend chapter 9 of title 44, United States Code, to limit the printing of the Congressional Record, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BEGICH, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 675. A bill to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KERRY, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 676. A bill to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 677. A bill to amend title 13, United States Code, to provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of certain overseas Americans in the decennial census, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. COONS):

S. 678. A bill to increase the penalties for economic espionage; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. JOHANNES, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. REED, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. KYL):

S. 679. A bill to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. MUKULSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. STABENOW, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. 680. A bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in the District of Columbia to provide for the establishment of a National Women's History Museum; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 681. A bill to provide greater accountability in the Small Business Lending Fund; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 682. A bill to provide for reliquidation of certain entries of medium density fiberboard; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 683. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Mantua, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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S. 684. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself and Mr. PAUL):

S. 685. A bill to repeal the Federal sugar program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. CARPER, Mr. COONS, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. HAGAN, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 686. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve

public charter schooling by addressing quality issues; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. VITTER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. WICKER, Mr. INHOFE, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 687. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 688. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to apply the additional Medicare HITECH payment provisions to hospitals in Puerto Rico; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 689. A bill to promote the oil independence of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. REED, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 690. A bill to establish the Office of the Homeowner Advocate; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 691. A bill to support State and tribal government efforts to promote research and education related to maple syrup production, natural resource sustainability in the maple syrup industry, market promotion of maple products, and greater access to lands containing maple trees for maple-sugaring activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 692. A bill to improve hurricane preparedness by establishing the National Hurricane Research Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. Res. 115. A resolution designating July 8, 2011, as "Collector Car Appreciation Day" and recognizing that the collection and restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. JOHANNIS, Mr. REED, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. CARPER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. KYL):

S. Res. 116. A resolution to provide for expedited Senate consideration of certain nominations subject to advice and consent; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr.

LEVIN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

S. Res. 117. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. Res. 118. A resolution designating April 2011 as "National 9-1-1 Education Month"; considered and agreed to.

### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 13

At the request of Mr. CHAMBLISS, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 13, a bill to promote freedom, fairness, and economic opportunity by repealing the income tax and other taxes, abolishing the Internal Revenue Service, and enacting a national sales tax to be administered primarily by the States.

S. 206

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 206, a bill to reauthorize the DC Opportunity Scholarship Program, and for other purposes.

S. 210

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WEBB) was added as a cosponsor of S. 210, a bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to eliminate the mandatory printing of bills and resolutions for the use of offices of Members of Congress.

S. 244

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 244, a bill to enable States to opt out of certain provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

S. 325

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 325, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require the provision of behavioral health services to members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces necessary to meet pre-deployment and post-deployment readiness and fitness standards, and for other purposes.

S. 395

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 395, a bill to repeal certain amendments to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act with respect to lighting energy efficiency.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 431

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the names of the Senator from North Caro-

lina (Mr. BURR) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) were added as cosponsors of S. 431, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 225th anniversary of the establishment of the Nation's first Federal law enforcement agency, the United States Marshals Service.

S. 504

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) were added as cosponsors of S. 504, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 520

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) were added as cosponsors of S. 520, a bill to repeal the Volumetric Ethanol Excise Tax Credit.

S. 545

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 545, a bill to amend the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to strengthen the quality control measures in place for part B lung disease claims and part E processes with independent reviews.

S. 554

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 554, a bill to prohibit the use of Department of Justice funds for the prosecution in Article III courts of the United States of individuals involved in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

S. 555

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 555, a bill to end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools, and for other purposes.

S. 560

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 560, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to deliver a meaningful benefit and lower prescription drug prices under the Medicare program.

S. 567

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 567, a bill to amend the small, rural school achievement program and the rural and low-income school program under part B of title VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.