

By Mr. DEMINT:

S. 336. A bill to permanently extend the 2001 and 2003 tax relief provisions, and to permanently repeal the estate tax, and to provide permanent AMT relief, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CRAPO:

S. 337. A bill for the relief of Sali Bregaj and Mjaftime Bregaj; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 338. A bill to prohibit royalty incentives for deepwater drilling, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 339. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 340. An original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. 341. A bill to require the rescission or termination of Federal contracts and subcontracts with enemies of the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) (by request):

S. 342. A bill to provide supplemental extra gratia compensation to the Republic of the Marshall Islands for impacts of the nuclear testing programs of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 343. A bill to amend Title I of PL 99-658 regarding the Compact of Free Association between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau, to approve the results of the 15-year review of the Compact, including the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Palau Following the Compact of Free Association Section 432 Review, and to appropriate funds for the purposes of the amended PL 99-658 for fiscal years ending on or before September 30, 2024, to carry out the agreements resulting from that review; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 344. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 345. A bill for the relief of Ibrahim Parlak; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 346. A bill to provide authority and sanction for the granting and issuance of programs for residential and commuter toll, user fee and fare discounts by States, municipalities, other localities, and all related agencies and departments, 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 Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. WICKER, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. KIRK, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mrs. HAGAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. COONS):

S. Res. 49. A resolution celebrating Black History Month; considered and agreed to.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. COATS) were added as cosponsors of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 28

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 28, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide public safety providers an additional 10 megahertz of spectrum to support a national, interoperable wireless broadband network and authorize the Federal Communications Commission to hold incentive auctions to provide funding to support such a network, and for other purposes.

S. 156

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 156, a bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide a uniform efficiency descriptor for covered water heaters.

S. 195

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) and the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) were added as cosponsors of S. 195, a bill to reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 210

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) 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. 211

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 211, a bill to provide for a biennial budget process and a biennial appropriations process and to enhance oversight and performance of the Federal Government.

S. 244

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNIS) 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. 251

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 251, a bill to prohibit the provision of Federal funds to State and local governments for payment of obligations, to prohibit the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System from financially assisting State and local governments, and for other purposes.

S. 260

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE), the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. HAGAN), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) were added as cosponsors of S. 260, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan by veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation.

S. 277

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 277, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care to veterans who were stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, while the water was contaminated at Camp Lejeune, and for other purposes.

S. 281

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. 281, a bill to delay the implementation of the health reform law in the United States until there is a final resolution in pending lawsuits.

S. 282

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 282, a bill to rescind unused earmarks.

S.J. RES. 3

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 3, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to balancing the budget.

S.J. RES. 5

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNIS) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 5, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States requiring that the Federal budget be balanced.

S. CON. RES. 4

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 4, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site on Chaplains Hill in Arlington National Cemetery should be provided for a memorial marker to honor the memory of the Jewish chaplains who died while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.

AMENDMENT NO. 7

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 7 proposed to S. 223, a bill to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 27

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 27 proposed to S. 223, a bill to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 50

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 50 proposed to S. 223, a bill to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide modernization of the air traffic

control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 64

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the names of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN), the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) and the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 64 intended to be proposed to S. 223, a bill to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself and Mr. BENNETT):

S. 327. A bill to name the Department of Veterans Affairs telehealth clinic in Craig, Colorado, as the "Major William Edward Adams Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I rise to urge my colleagues to support legislation I am introducing today to name the Veterans Telehealth Clinic in Craig, Colorado, after Medal of Honor recipient Major William E. Adams. I am pleased that Senator BENNETT will join with me in introducing this bill.

Our bill isn't the first effort to honor Major Adams. My good friend Congressman John Salazar introduced this legislation last year in the House of Representatives with the support of the entire Colorado delegation. I would like to see this bill through to passage in this Congress in part to honor John and his efforts to commemorate the heroism of Major Adams and to get the VA clinic established in northwest Colorado.

I'd also like to honor Larry Neu, a local business owner and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4265 quartermaster, who has been the architect of efforts to commemorate Major Adams. With Larry's leadership and the help of other Craig residents, the Colorado state legislature passed a resolution renaming part of Colorado Highway 13 the "Maj. William Adams Medal of Honor Highway." I know he worked closely with Congressman Salazar in the last Congress to develop the legislation I am introducing today.

Above all, this bill is intended to honor Major William Adams himself and his "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty."

A resident of Craig, Major Adams served and lost his life in the Vietnam War. He was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously, after distinguishing himself while serving as an Army helicopter pilot. In May 1971, he

volunteered to fly a lightly armed helicopter in an attempt to evacuate three seriously wounded soldiers from a small base that was under attack. He made the decision with full knowledge that numerous antiaircraft weapons were positioned around the base and that the clear weather would make him visible to enemy gunners. As he approached the base, the enemy gunners opened fire, but he continued his approach, directing the attacks of supporting gunships while maintaining control of the helicopter he was flying. He picked up the wounded soldiers, but his aircraft was then struck and damaged by enemy anti-aircraft fire and crashed.

I was pleased to learn that many of his family members attended the ceremony in November dedicating part of Colorado Highway 13 to Major Adams. I want to pay tribute today to his wife Sandra and his daughter Jean, both Colorado residents, and his son, Col. John Adams, an intelligence officer in the Marine Corps, recently back from Afghanistan. I hope this bill serves to reinforce what they already know—that Major Adams is a real hero to this county, to Colorado and to Craig. He is part of a special class of American heroes who will forever be remembered for their service and sacrifice. His story will continue inspiring generations to come, while reminding us all about the contributions and sacrifices of America's greatest.

I have introduced this legislation not only to recognize the sacrifice of Major Adams, but also to recognize the service of our Vietnam veterans and especially all veterans in Northwest Colorado. The Telehealth Clinic in Craig is on track to have nearly 1700 visits from area veterans this year, and I will always fight to make sure our veterans get the health care they earned and deserve.

As Larry Neu said about Major Adams, "The man made the ultimate sacrifice for his country—he should not be forgotten." Passage of this bill will help us remember Major Adams and so many other brave veterans who have sacrificed their lives for our country. I urge my colleagues to support this legislation and to continue to support our dedicated men and women in uniform.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 332. A bill to promote the enforcement of immigration laws and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I rise today to reintroduce the Strengthening Our Commitment to Legal Immigration and America's Security Act. There is little doubt that our immigration system is broken and needs reform. Yet, we can make progress by starting with the laws that already exist. The proposed legislation would enhance our core immigration and enforcement laws for both legal and illegal immigrants.