

Amendments; Amendment No. 528" (RIN2120-AA63) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6990. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Labeling Rule" (RIN3084-AB15) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6991. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules, Regulations, Statements of General Policy or Interpretation and Exemptions Under the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act" (RIN3084-AB33) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6992. A communication from the Paralegal, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Transportation Safety Program" (RIN2132-AB22) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6993. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reciprocal Waivers of Claims for Licensed or Permitted Launch and Reentry Activities" ((RIN2120-AK44) (Docket No. FAA-2014-1012)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6994. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "System Safety Program" (RIN2130-AC31) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6995. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "MU-2B Series Airplane Training Requirements Update" ((RIN2120-AK63) (Docket No. FAA-2006-24981)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6996. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reclassification of Specially Denatured Spirits and Completely Denatured Alcohol Formulas and Related Amendments" (RIN1513-AB59) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6997. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services" ((FCC 16-102) (WC Docket No. 12-375)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6998. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2016" ((FCC 16-121) (MD Docket No. 16-166)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6999. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0371)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-205. A petition from a citizen of the Commonwealth of Kentucky relative to veterans' benefits; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2647. An act to expedite under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and improve forest management activities on National Forest System lands, on public lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and on tribal lands to return resilience to overgrown, fire-prone forested lands, and for other purposes.

#### 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. RUBIO:

S. 3351. A bill to prohibit certain transfers of individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to prohibit funds from being made available for the closure of that Naval Station, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3352. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide student loan deferment for victims of terrorist attacks; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. Res. 570. A resolution recognizing the importance of substance abuse disorder treatment and recovery in the United States;

to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. Res. 571. A resolution providing official recognition of the massacre of 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion of the United States Army who had been captured near Wereth, Belgium, during the Battle of the Bulge on December 17, 1944; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 241

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 241, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of temporary compensation to a surviving spouse of a veteran upon the death of the veteran, and for other purposes.

S. 391

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 391, 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. 746

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 746, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 1473

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1473, a bill to authorize the appropriation of funds to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for conducting or supporting research on firearms safety or gun violence prevention.

S. 1604

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1604, a bill to establish the Transition to Independence Medicaid Buy-In Option demonstration program.

S. 1651

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1651, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 1679

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1679, a bill to amend the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 to require that certain buildings and personal property be covered by flood insurance, and for other purposes.

S. 1766

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Michigan

(Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1766, a bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to review the discharge characterization of former members of the Armed Forces who were discharged by reason of the sexual orientation of the member, and for other purposes.

S. 1858

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1858, a bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex, gender identity, and sexual orientation, and for other purposes.

S. 2253

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2253, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans affected by closures of educational institutions certain relief and restoration of educational benefits, and for other purposes.

S. 2268

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. PERDUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2268, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the United States Army Dust Off crews of the Vietnam War, collectively, in recognition of their extraordinary heroism and life-saving actions in Vietnam.

S. 2541

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2541, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act to provide the conservation of prohibited wildlife species.

S. 2748

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2748, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, social work schools, and other programs, including physician assistant education programs, to promote education and research in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine.

S. 2799

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2799, a bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to develop a voluntary patient registry to collect data on cancer incidence among firefighters.

S. 2895

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from

Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2895, a bill to extend the civil statute of limitations for victims of Federal sex offenses.

S. 2932

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2932, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the provision of emergency medical services.

S. 2953

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2953, a bill to promote patient-centered care and accountability at the Indian Health Service, and for other purposes.

S. 2999

At the request of Mr. DAINES, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) were added as cosponsors of S. 2999, a bill to prohibit the transfer of any individual detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

S. 3065

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) were added as cosponsors of S. 3065, a bill to amend parts B and E of title IV of the Social Security Act to invest in funding prevention and family services to help keep children safe and supported at home, to ensure that children in foster care are placed in the least restrictive, most family-like, and appropriate settings, and for other purposes.

S. 3183

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3183, a bill to prohibit the circumvention of control measures used by Internet ticket sellers to ensure equitable consumer access to tickets for any given event, and for other purposes.

S. 3188

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3188, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the incentives for biodiesel.

S. 3198

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were added as cosponsors of S. 3198, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of adult day health care services for veterans.

S. 3217

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr.

DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3217, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for an annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers.

S. 3296

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. TOOMEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 3296, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption to the individual mandate to maintain health coverage for individuals residing in counties with fewer than 2 health insurance issuers offering plans on an Exchange.

S. 3330

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3330, a bill to reduce the benefits of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs who are medical professionals and were convicted of violent crimes against veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3335

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3335, a bill to require reporting regarding certain drug price increases, and for other purposes.

S. 3346

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) were added as cosponsors of S. 3346, a bill to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 432

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 432, a resolution supporting respect for human rights and encouraging inclusive governance in Ethiopia.

S. RES. 527

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 527, a resolution recognizing the 75th anniversary of the opening of the National Gallery of Art.

S. RES. 564

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 564, a resolution condemning North Korea's fifth nuclear test on September 9, 2016.

S. RES. 565

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from California

(Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 565, a resolution designating the week beginning September 12, 2016, as "National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week".

#### SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 570—RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDER TREATMENT AND RECOVERY IN THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. ALEXANDER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 570

Whereas National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month is observed in September of 2016;

Whereas, in 2015, an estimated 17,000,000 individuals in the United States were dependent on, or abused, alcohol;

Whereas substance use disorders are a serious public health threat in the United States, and are associated with—

- (1) mental and physical health conditions;
- (2) lower educational attainment;
- (3) underemployment or unemployment;
- (4) involvement with the criminal justice system;
- (5) victimization and perpetration of violence; and
- (6) homelessness;

Whereas, in 2014, 9.4 percent of adolescents in the United States used illicit drugs during the month before being surveyed;

Whereas young adults between the ages of 18 and 25 have higher rates of alcohol dependence and abuse and illicit substance dependence and abuse as compared to other age groups;

Whereas the rates of alcohol dependence or abuse and illicit substance dependence or abuse are higher among individuals—

- (1) without health insurance;
- (2) living in households with incomes less than 100 percent of the Federal poverty level; and
- (3) living in metropolitan areas;

Whereas 90 percent of individuals with alcohol dependence or abuse do not receive, or perceive a need for, treatment for their alcohol use;

Whereas the most recent epidemic of substance use disorders relates to prescription opioids and heroin, and approximately 600 individuals begin using heroin each day;

Whereas overdose deaths from opioids have nearly quadrupled since 1999;

Whereas drug-related suicide attempts leading to emergency department visits have increased by 51 percent since 2005;

Whereas 23,500,000 individuals in the United States are in recovery from substance use disorders;

Whereas the stigma associated with substance use disorders is an additional barrier to people of the United States who strive toward recovery every day;

Whereas substance use treatment has been shown to be effective in reducing substance use, and can produce positive outcomes for individuals; and

Whereas there is a nationwide need for—

- (1) increased education regarding substance use;
- (2) increased access to substance use treatment; and

(3) increased attention to reducing substance use stigma: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the importance of National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month;

(2) affirms the continued need of the United States to provide resources for substance use education, treatment, and research; and

(3) honors the significant achievements of people of the United States who are in recovery from substance use disorders.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 571—PROVIDING OFFICIAL RECOGNITION OF THE MASSACRE OF 11 AFRICAN-AMERICAN SOLDIERS OF THE 333RD FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WHO HAD BEEN CAPTURED NEAR WERETH, BELGIUM, DURING THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE ON DECEMBER 17, 1944

Mr. MANCHIN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 571

Whereas, during the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium in December 1944, elements of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion, an African-American unit, were among the units of the United States Army overrun in the initial German attack;

Whereas 11 soldiers from different batteries of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion attempted to escape capture and return to the lines of the United States;

Whereas the 11 soldiers were Curtis Adams of South Carolina, Mager Bradley of Mississippi, George Davis, Jr. of Alabama, Thomas Forte of Mississippi, Robert Green of Georgia, James Leatherwood of Mississippi, Nathaniel Moss of Texas, George Motten of Texas, William Pritchett of Alabama, James Stewart of West Virginia, and Due Turner of Arkansas;

Whereas the 11 soldiers were captured by a German patrol composed of SS soldiers, who, after dark, marched the unarmed soldiers to a nearby field and massacred them;

Whereas the massacre of the 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion in Wereth remains unknown to the vast majority of the people of the United States; and

Whereas, in 2004, a permanent monument was dedicated in Wereth to the 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion who lost their lives in Wereth during the Battle of the Bulge in an effort to defeat fascism and defend freedom: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate officially recognizes the dedicated service and ultimate sacrifice on behalf of the United States of the 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion of the United States Army who were massacred in Wereth, Belgium, during the Battle of the Bulge on December 17, 1944.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the

Senate on September 19, 2016, at 5 p.m., to hold a classified briefing entitled "Assessing the Recent North Korea Nuclear Event, Missile Tests and Regional Dynamics."

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

#### WEST LOS ANGELES LEASING ACT OF 2016

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 5936, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5936) to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, to make certain improvements to the enhanced-use lease authority of the Department, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I know of no further debate on the bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there further debate?

The Chair hears none.

The bill was ordered to a third reading and was read the third time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill having been read the third time, the question is, Shall the bill pass?

The bill (H.R. 5936) was passed.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I further ask unanimous consent that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

#### KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL OF REMEMBRANCE ACT OF 2016

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 572, H.R. 1475.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1475) to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

##### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

*This Act may be cited as the "Korean War Veterans Memorial Wall of Remembrance Act".*

##### SEC. 2. WALL OF REMEMBRANCE.

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 8908(c) of title 40, United States Code, the Korean War Veterans Memorial Foundation, Inc.,