

Distillery expanded its bottling operations to assist outside companies bottle and label their products for sale. While expanding the distillery's operations helped Three Boys Farm Distillery stay afloat during the pandemic, longtime friend of the Caldwells, Walter Zausch, a University of Kentucky alum, provided additional assistance by investing in the business and becoming a majority owner. Rebounding from the pandemic, this summer, Three Boys Farm Distillery began hosting live concerts featuring local artists and continues to provide Kentuckians with a place to relax, build community, and enjoy a glass of bourbon with friends.

Three Boys Farm Distillery is a remarkable example of the resilience and adaptability of locally owned small businesses. Small businesses, like Three Boys Farm Distillery, form the heart of towns across Kentucky and play a critical role in Kentucky's bourbon and whiskey industry. Congratulations to Ross, Heather, Walter, and the entire team at Three Boys Farm Distillery. I wish them the best of luck, and I look forward to watching their continued growth and success in Kentucky.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As 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.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4346. An act making appropriations for Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4373. An act making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for other purposes.

At 5:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3237) making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4346. An act making appropriations for Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

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-1538. A communication from the Program Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulatory Capital Rule: Emergency Capital Investment Program" (RIN1557-AF09) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2021; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1539. A communication from the Sanctions Regulations Advisor, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Criminal Court-Related Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 520) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2021; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1540. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1541. A communication from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Role of Supervisory Guidance" (RIN3170-AB02) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1542. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Burundi that was declared in Executive Order 13712 of November 22, 2015; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1543. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to the Congress on the Profitability of Credit Card Operations of Depository Institutions"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1544. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN2502-AJ49) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1545. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Central African Republic that was declared in Executive Order 13667 of May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1546. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1547. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Ukraine that was originally declared in Executive Order 13660 of March 6, 2014; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1548. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to South Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1549. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Office of Legislative Affairs, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2021 annual report relative to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1550. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Legislative Affairs, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Consumer Response Annual Report"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1551. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Securities Investor Protection Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Order Approving the Determination of the Board of Directors of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation not to Adjust for Inflation the Standard Maximum Cash Advance Amount and Notice of the Standard Maximum Cash Advance Amount" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1552. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Announcement and Report Concerning Advance Pricing Agreements" (Announcement 2021-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1553. 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; Secure Electronic Prior Authorization For Medicare Part D Program; Delay in Effective Date" (RIN0938-AT94) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1554. 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 and Medicaid Programs; Organ Procurement Organization Conditions for Coverage; Revisions to the Outcome Measure Requirements for Organ Procurement Organizations; Public Comment Period; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN0938-AU02) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1555. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled “Revenue Procedure 2021-4” (Rev. Proc. 2021-4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1556. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Extension of Relief for Qualified Opportunity Funds and Investors Affected by Ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 Pandemic” (Notice 2021-10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1557. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Excise Taxes; Transportation of Persons by Air; Aircraft Management Services” (RIN1545-BP37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1558. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revenue Procedure 2021-12” (Rev. Proc. 2021-12) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1559. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Guidance on the Employee Retention Credit under the CARES Act for the First and Second Calendar Quarters of 2021” (Notice 2021-23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1560. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Guidance on the Employee Retention Credit under Section 2301 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act” (Notice 2021-20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1561. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Section 199A Rules for Cooperatives and their Patrons” (RIN1545-B090) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1562. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revenue Procedure 2021-3” (Rev. Proc. 2021-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1563. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Tax on Excess Tax-Exempt Organization Executive Compensation” (RIN1545-B099) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1564. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Credit for Carbon Oxide Sequestration” (RIN1545-BP42) received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1565. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Guidance under Section 1061” (RIN1545-B081) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1566. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Deduction for Foreign-Derived Intangible Income and Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income” (RIN1545-B055) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1567. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on the Child Support Program for fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1568. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Guidance on Passive Foreign Investment Companies” (RIN1545-B059) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1569. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Denial of Deduction for Certain Fines, Penalties, and Other Amounts; Related Information Reporting Requirements” (RIN1545-B067) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1570. A communication from the Chief of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Additional Guidance Regarding Limitation on Deduction for Business Interest Expense” (RIN1545-BP73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1571. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2021-0010 - 2021-0020); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1572. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2021-0001 - 2021-0009); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1573. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to significant malicious cyber-enabled activities that was declared in Executive Order 13694 of April 1, 2015; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1574. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to section 1705(e)(6) of the Cuban Democracy Act of 1992, as amended by Section 102(g) of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity (LIBERTAD) Act of 1996, a semi-annual report relative to telecommunications-related payments made to Cuba during the period from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 2528. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a penalty for assault against journalists, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2529. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for advance refunds of certain net operating losses and research expenditures relating to COVID-19, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 2530. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the deductibility of charitable contributions to certain organizations for members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 2531. A bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to give States the option to extend the Medicaid drug rebate program to the Children's Health Insurance Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. CARPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. OSSOFF, and Mr. BENNET):

S. 2532. A bill to provide protections for employees of, former employees of, and applicants for employment with Federal agencies, contractors, and grantees whose right to petition or furnish information to Congress is interfered with or denied; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. HIRONO, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2533. A bill to improve mammography services furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

By Mr. OSSOFF (for himself, Mr. WARNOCK, and Mr. PADILLA):

S. 2534. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide assistance for increasing the frequency and availability of public transportation service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. YOUNG (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2535. A bill to authorize additional district judges for the district courts and convert temporary judgeships; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mr. TILLIS, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. LANKFORD, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 2536. A bill to require the Government Accountability Office to submit a report on the public health mitigation messaging and guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA):

S. 2537. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit for previously-owned qualified plug-in electric drive motor vehicles; to the Committee on Finance.