

prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration, to use on a reimbursable or non-reimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

SEC. 2. (a) The expenses of the committee for the period March 1, 2021, through September 30, 2021, under this resolution shall not exceed \$5,527,337, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$17,500 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended), and (2) not to exceed \$5,833 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

(b) For the period October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022, expenses of the committee under this resolution shall not exceed \$9,475,434, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$30,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended), and (2) not to exceed \$10,000 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

(c) For the period October 1, 2022, through February 28, 2023, expenses of the committee under this resolution shall not exceed \$3,948,098, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$12,500 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended), and (2) not to exceed \$4,166 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

SEC. 3. The committee shall report its findings, together with such recommendations for legislation as it deems advisable, to the Senate at the earliest practicable date, but not later than February 28, 2021.

SEC. 4. Expenses of the committee under this resolution shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the chairman of the committee, except that vouchers shall not be required (1) for the disbursement of salaries of employees paid at an annual rate, or (2) for the payment of telecommunications provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (3) for the payment of stationery supplies purchased through the Keeper of the Stationery, United States Senate, or (4) for payments to the Postmaster, United States Senate, or (5) for the payment of metered charges on copying equipment provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (6) for the payment of Senate Recording and Photographic Services, or (7) for payment of franked and mass mail costs by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate.

SEC. 5. There are authorized such sums as may be necessary for agency contributions related to the compensation of employees of the committee from March 1, 2021, through September 30, 2021; October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022; and October 1, 2022, through February 28, 2023, to be paid from the Appropriations account for Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to

the Senate by Ms. Ridgway, 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.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 6913, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, the Speaker appoints the following Members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: Mr. MCGOVERN of Massachusetts, Co-Chair and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

The message further announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 7002, the Minority Leader appoints the following member to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: Dr. Derek M. Scissors of Bethesda, Maryland.

The message also announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 7002, the Minority Leader appoints the following individual to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission to fill the existing vacancy thereon: Mr. Alex N. Won of Wyckoff, New Jersey.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 8, 117th Congress, the Minority Leader appoints the following Member to the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission to serve as the Republican Co-Chairman: The Honorable CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH of New Jersey.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 8, 117th Congress, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, the Speaker appoints the following Member to serve as Co-Chair of the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission: Mr. MCGOVERN of Massachusetts.

The message further announced that pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1024(a), and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, the Speaker appoints the following Members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Joint Economic Committee: Mr. BEYER of Virginia and Mr. SCHWEIKERT of Arizona.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 2(b) of Public Law 116-156, as amended by Public Law 116-260, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, the Speaker appoints the following individual on the part of the House of Representatives to the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys: Dr. Joseph E. Marshall, Jr. of San Francisco, California.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 2(b) of the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys Act (Public Law 116-156), amended by section 201 of title II, division O of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, the Minority Leader appoints the following member to the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys: Mr. Marshall B. Dillard of Bakersfield, California.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. Res. 64. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CASEY, from the Special Committee on Aging, without amendment:

S. Res. 65. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging.

By Mr. SANDERS, from the Committee on the Budget, without amendment:

S. Res. 66. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. DURBIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. Res. 69. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Judiciary.

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. CASEY (for himself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 331. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the age requirement with respect to eligibility for qualified ABLE programs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida:

S. 332. A bill to authorize the President to use military force for the purpose of securing and defending Taiwan against armed attack, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SMITH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. BROWN, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. REED, Ms. HIRONO, and Ms. HASSAN):

S. 333. A bill to amend title XI and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide funding for State strike teams, technical assistance, and infection control for resident and worker safety in skilled nursing facilities and nursing facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 334. A bill to establish an alternative payment model demonstration project for maternity care provided to pregnant and postpartum individuals under State Medicaid and CHIP programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. SCHATZ, and Mr. BURR):

S. 335. A bill to reauthorize the Tropical Forest and Coral Reef Conservation Act of 1998; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. 336. A bill to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to reauthorize the Ohio & Erie National Heritage Canalway, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. MORAN):

S. 337. A bill to establish a Senior Scams Prevention Advisory Council; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina):

S. 338. A bill to promote the general health and well-being of individuals accessing work through digital marketplace companies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 339. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to list fentanyl-related substances as schedule I controlled substances, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 340. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the use of telehealth for substance use disorder treatment and mental health services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, and Ms. HIRONO):

S. 341. A bill to provide justice for incarcerated moms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO:

S. 342. A bill to advance STEM education, provide for improved worker training, retention, and advancement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 343. A bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to conduct a feasibility study on the use of canine units for COVID-19 detection at airports; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. RISCH, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. WARREN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BENNET, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. SMITH, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WARNER, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. MANCHIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ROUNDS, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BROWN, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 344. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for concurrent receipt of veterans' disability compensation and retirement pay for disability retirees with fewer than 20 years of service and a combat-related disability, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. KAINE:

S. 345. A bill to establish a national campaign to increase maternal vaccination rates; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. CASEY, Mr. PETERS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BENNET, Ms. WARREN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. SMITH, Mr. BROWN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. WARNOCK):

S. 346. A bill to end preventable maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity in the United States and close disparities in maternal health outcomes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. MARKEY):

S. 347. A bill to improve the collection and review of maternal health data to address maternal mortality, serve maternal morbidity, and other adverse maternal health outcomes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. LUJAN, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. COONS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. SCHATZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. WARREN, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. SMITH, Mr. CARPER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 348. A bill to provide an earned path to citizenship, to address the root causes of migration and responsibly manage the southern border, and to reform the immigrant visa system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 349. A bill to establish an advisory office within the Bureau of Consumer Protection of the Federal Trade Commission to prevent fraud targeting seniors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. HASSAN (for herself and Mr. WICKER):

S. 350. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize certain programs under part A of title XI of such Act relating to genetic diseases, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 351. A bill to encourage States to require the installation of residential carbon monoxide detectors in homes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 352. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to reduce health care costs and expand health care coverage to more Americans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Ms. SMITH, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 353. A bill to incentivize banning of chokeholds and carotid holds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. KAINE, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. 354. A bill to reauthorize funding to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority contingent on improvements to the governance and operations of the Transit Authority; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 355. A bill to provide immediate relief for patients from certain medical debt collection efforts during and immediately after the COVID-19 public health emergency; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO:

S. 356. A bill to develop and improve the transportation workforce, 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. MENENDEZ:

S. Res. 64. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. Res. 65. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging; from the Special Committee on Aging; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. Res. 66. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget; from the Committee on the Budget; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. Res. 67. A resolution calling for the immediate release of Trevor Reed, a United States citizen who was unjustly found guilty and sentenced to 9 years in a Russian prison; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. DAINES (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BARRASSO, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. WICKER, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. TOOMEY):

S. Res. 68. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the President should submit the Paris Agreement to the Senate for review and consideration; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. Res. 69. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Judiciary; from the Committee on the Judiciary; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 104

At the request of Ms. SMITH, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 104, a bill to authorize the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to carry out a Social Determinants of Health Program, and for other purposes.

S. 229

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 229, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to permit the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to terminate the insured status of a depository institution that refuses to provide services to certain Federal contractors, and for other purposes.

S. 236

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the names of the Senator from Minnesota