

who spent his lifetime bettering the city.●

RECOGNIZING ALBERT BROS., INC.

● Mr. BLUMENTHAL. Mr. President, today I rise to recognize Albert Bros., Inc., as it celebrates 125 years of outstanding industry in Connecticut.

The company began with Nathan and Lewis Albert peddling scrap metal across Connecticut upon their arrival in Waterbury from Lithuania. In 1895, the Alberts, demonstrating the entrepreneurial skill and energy for which our Nation is known, opened their own scrap yard, establishing Albert Bros., Inc.

Over the past century and a quarter, Albert Bros. has grown into one of New England's foremost scrap metal recyclers and processors, using Connecticut ingenuity to turn waste products into productive materials. Their exemplary work has earned them accolades from the State of Connecticut and recognition on an international scale.

Though they reached their 125th anniversary during the COVID-19 pandemic and were unable to celebrate, Albert Bros. has marked this milestone by relocating their offices and significant warehouse and processing facilities to a new location. In September of this year, they officially moved to the site of the old Waterbury Rolling Mills, giving their plant an impressive new setup as they continue to serve the people of Connecticut and beyond.

Albert Bros. is now in its fourth generation of family ownership and remains unstintingly committed to innovation, thoughtful expansion, and workplace safety. I had the privilege of visiting the company and speaking with a number of employees, and I can attest firsthand to their remarkable, dedicated work ethic.

As Albert Bros. celebrates its anniversary and establishes its new plant, I applaud the company on its extraordinary record of accomplishment. I hope my colleagues will join me in congratulating Albert Bros., Inc. on over 125 years of excellence.●

REMEMBERING CHARLES "CHUCK" LEWIS

● Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I rise today to remember a Montanan that made an indelible impact on Washington, DC, and on Montana.

Chuck Lewis was a native Montanan, born in Bozeman, a journalist, and a father. As a young man, Chuck served his country proudly as a Marine Corps Reservist, but he made his career in the news business, which is how many of my colleagues herein the Senate knew him best.

Chuck served as bureau chief here in Washington, DC, for both the Associated Press and Hearst Newspapers, where he spent a lifetime holding the powerful to account and shining a light on the inner workings of our government.

He covered many explosive stories over his career, including the Iran-Contra scandal and the civil rights movement, and won acclaim for his work revealing the truth about friendly fire during the Gulf war. And his legacy is still visible in Washington today, through the scores of young journalists he helped train and mentor throughout the years.

I served in the Senate for the last few years before Chuck retired—in 2013, he invited me to speak at the Gridiron Club for his inauguration as club president, an honor and a privilege I will never forget.

Chuck was a consummate newsman, a reporters' reporter, and a friend to democracy. He made Montana and his country proud, and I can think of no better way to honor his memory than by enshrining it in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD here today.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Swann, 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 RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2021, the Secretary of the Senate, on November 6, 2021, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House had agreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3684) to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2021, the Secretary of the Senate, on November 6, 2021, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 1064. An act to advance the strategic alignment of United States diplomatic tools toward the realization of free, fair, and transparent elections in Nicaragua and to reaffirm the commitment of the United States to protect the fundamental freedoms and human rights of the people of Nicaragua, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3684. An act to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2021, the enrolled bills were signed on November 8, 2021, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the Vice President.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:04 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. 390. An act to redesignate the Federal building located at 167 North Main Street in Memphis, Tennessee as the "Odell Horton Federal Building".

H.R. 1339. An act to require the Secretary of Transportation to establish an advanced air mobility interagency working group, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1917. An act to modify eligibility requirements for certain hazard mitigation assistance programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2220. An act to amend title 40, United States Code, to modify the treatment of certain bargain-price options to purchase at less than fair market value, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3193. An act to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to provide for a high-speed broadband deployment initiative.

H.R. 3709. An act to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to submit to Congress a report on preliminary damage assessments and make necessary improvements to processes in the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3992. An act to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 to prohibit employers from limiting, segregating, or classifying applicants for employment.

H.R. 4660. An act to designate the Federal Building and United States Courthouse located at 1125 Chapline Street in Wheeling, West Virginia, as the "Frederick P. Stamp, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

H.R. 4679. An act to designate the Federal building located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast in Washington, DC, as the "Norman Yoshio Mineta Federal Building".

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 108. An act to authorize the Seminole Tribe of Florida to lease or transfer certain land, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1510. An act to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress a report on the use of cameras in medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

H.R. 2093. An act to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make all fact sheets of the Department of Veterans Affairs available in English, Spanish, and Tagalog, and other commonly spoken languages, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 390. An act to redesignate the Federal building located at 167 North Main Street in

Memphis, Tennessee as the “Odell Horton Federal Building”; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1339. An act to require the Secretary of Transportation to establish an advanced air mobility interagency working group, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 1917. An act to modify eligibility requirements for certain hazard mitigation assistance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2220. An act to amend title 40, United States Code, to modify the treatment of certain bargain-price options to purchase at less than fair market value, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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H.R. 3992. An act to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 to prohibit employers from limiting, segregating, or classifying applicants for employment; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 4660. An act to designate the Federal Building and United States Courthouse located at 1125 Chapline Street in Wheeling, West Virginia, as the “Frederick P. Stamp, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse”; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 4679. An act to designate the Federal building located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast in Washington, DC, as the “Norman Yoshio Mineta Federal Building”; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3206. A bill to repeal the provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act that impose new information reporting requirements with respect to digital asset transfers.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on November 9, 2021, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 921. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to further protect officers and employees of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1064. An act to advance the strategic alignment of United States diplomatic tools toward the realization of free, fair, and transparent elections in Nicaragua and to reaffirm the commitment of the United States to protect the fundamental freedoms and human rights of the people of Nicaragua, and for other purposes.

S. 1502. An act to make Federal law enforcement officer peer support communications confidential, and for other purposes.

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-2585. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Schedule of Fees for Consular Services - Passport Security Surcharge” (RIN1400-AE15) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 28, 2021; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2586. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States” for the March 2021 session; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2587. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, a report relative to Article III judgeship recommendations for the 117th Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2588. A communication from the Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Veterans Legacy Grants Program” (RIN2900-AR00) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 28, 2021; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

EC-2589. A communication from the Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Educational Assistance for Certain Former Members of the Armed Forces” (RIN2900-AQ74) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 28, 2021; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

EC-2590. A communication from the Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Certification of Evidence of Proof of Service” (RIN2900-AR13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 28, 2021; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

EC-2591. A communication from the Acting Director of the Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing” (RIN1218-AD42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2021; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. MURRAY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1927. A bill to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act.

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 Ms. SINEMA:

S. 3204. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust for the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona certain land in Pima County, Arizona, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. OSSOFF:

S. 3205. A bill to establish an advanced industrial facilities deployment program and a State flex-tech energy program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CRUZ:

S. 3206. A bill to repeal the provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act that impose new information reporting requirements with respect to digital asset transfers; read the first time.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 3207. A bill to amend the Combat-Injured Veterans Tax Fairness Act of 2016 to apply to members of the Coast Guard when the Coast Guard is not operating as a service in the Department of the Navy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. COONS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNOCK, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3208. A bill to establish the Office of Supply Chain Resiliency within the Department of Commerce to provide expansion support to companies and supply chains in the United States that are vulnerable to shortages and price increases, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 3209. A bill to require the Secretary of State to submit annual reports reviewing the educational material used by the Palestinian Authority in schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WARNOCK:

S. 3210. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend to Black veterans of World War II, and surviving spouses and certain direct descendants of such veterans, eligibility for certain housing loans and educational assistance administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

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

S. 3211. A bill to continue the whole-of-government approach to ending global wildlife poaching and trafficking by permanently reauthorizing the activities of the Presidential Task Force on Wildlife Trafficking, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. PADILLA (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3212. A bill to provide benefits for non-citizen members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 172

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) and the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) were added as cosponsors of S. 172, a bill to authorize the National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of