By Ms. ERNST:

S. 4957. A bill to require the Secretary of the Army to establish sex-neutral high fitness standards for combat Military Occupational Specialties (MOSs); to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. HIRONO:

S. 4958. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority for financial assistance for supportive services for very low-income veteran families in permanent housing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. BALDWIN:

S. 4959. A bill to amend section 11101 of title 49, United States Code, to ensure that rail carriers provide transportation or service in a manner that fulfills the shipper's reasonable service requirements; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-

By Ms. HIRONO:

S. 4960. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority for operation of a Department of Veterans Affairs regional office in Manila, the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN: S. 4961. A bill to provide limits on the reduction of Internal Revenue Service user fees: to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN:

- S. 4962. A bill to establish within the Office of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment of the United States Agency for International Development a rural mobility program to promote mobility in rural communities through access to affordable, fit-forpurpose bicycles, to provide support to sustainably increase access to rural areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
  - By Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. KELLY, and Mr. HAGERTY):
- S. 4963. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to implement a strategy to combat the efforts of transnational criminal organizations to recruit individuals in the United States via social media platforms and other online services and assess their use of such platforms and services for illicit activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MARSHALL (for himself, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. HAWLEY):

S. 4964. A bill to authorize grants for crime victims to be distributed to angel families. and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary. By Mr. SULLIVAN:

S. 4965. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove in-person requirements under Medicare for mental health services furnished through telehealth and telecommunications technology; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PAUL:

- 4966. A bill to permit voluntary economic activity; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
  - By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MENEN-DEZ, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Ms. WARREN):
- S. 4967. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to transition the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to the supplemental nutrition assistance program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
  - By Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. DURBIN):
- S. 4968. A bill to create an Active Shooter Alert Communications Network, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### 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 (for himself and Mr. Rubio):

- S. Res. 797. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate condemning Azerbaijani forces' illegal and unprovoked assault on Armenian territory and insisting upon the cessation of security assistance to Azerbaijan in accordance with Federal law; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
  - By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. PETERS, and Mrs. FISCH-ER):
- S. Res. 798. A resolution expressing support for the designation of the week of September 19 through September 25, 2022, as "Rail Safety Week" in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of Rail Safety Week to reduce rail-related accidents, fatalities, and injuries; considered and agreed to.
  - By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. REED, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. WHITE-HOUSE, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. KING, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. KAINE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. Peters. Mr. MARKEY. Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. COR-Mr. TEZMasto, Mr.CARDIN, MANCHIN. Ms. STABENOW, and Ms. SMITH):
- S. Res. 799. A resolution designating October 5, 2022, as "Energy Efficiency Day" in celebration of the economic and environmental benefits that have been driven by private sector innovation and Federal energy efficiency policies; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. HYDE-SMITH (for herself and Mr. Wicker):

S. Res. 800. A resolution celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 221

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) was added as a cosponsor of S. 221, a bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to carry out a grant program to increase cooperation on post-traumatic stress disorder research between the United States and Israel.

S. 545

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 545, a bill to permanently exempt payments made from the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Account from sequestration under the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985

S. 673

At the request of Mr. PAUL, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 673, a bill to provide a temporary safe harbor for publishers of online content to collectively negotiate with dominant online platforms regarding the terms on which content may be distributed.

S. 1449

At the request of Mr. Daines, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cospon-

sor of S. 1449, a bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to protect personally identifiable information, and for other purnoses.

S. 1451

At the request of Ms. Collins, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Kaine) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1451, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to implement policies to end preventable maternal, newborn, and child deaths globally.

S. 1541

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Coons) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1541, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to ensure just and reasonable charges for telephone and advanced communications services in correctional and detention facilities.

S. 1625

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Coons) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1625, a bill to authorize notaries public to perform, and to establish minimum standards for, electronic notarizations and remote notarizations that occur in or affect interstate commerce, to require any Federal court to recognize notarizations performed by a notarial officer of any State, to require any State to recognize notarizations performed by a notarial officer of any other State when the notarization was performed under or relates to a public Act, record, or judicial proceeding of the notarial officer's State or when the notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce, and for other pur-

S. 1660

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. Heinrich) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1660, a bill to expand access to health care services for immigrants by removing legal and policy barriers to health insurance coverage, and for other purposes.

S. 1689

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. Feinstein) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1689, a bill to provide for the overall health and well-being of young people, including the promotion and attainment of lifelong sexual health and healthy relationships, and for other purposes.

S. 1752

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. Brown) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1752, a bill to establish the National Center for Advancement of Aviation.

S. 1837

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1837, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize a grant program for law enforcement agencies and corrections agencies to obtain behavioral health crisis response training for law enforcement officers and corrections officers, and for other purposes.

S. 1863

At the request of Mr. Moran, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 1863, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve access to health care for veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 1873

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1873, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of multicancer early detection screening tests.

S. 2013

At the request of Mr. Casey, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Booker) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2013, a bill to provide for the coverage of medically necessary food and vitamins and individual amino acids for digestive and inherited metabolic disorder under Federal health programs and private health insurance, to ensure State and Federal protection for existing coverage, and for other purposes.

S. 2538

At the request of Mr. Booker, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Menendez) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2538, a bill to reauthorize a program of grants to hospitals and emergency departments to develop, implement, enhance, or study alternatives to opioids for pain management, and for other purposes.

S. 2798

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. Klobuchar) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2798, a bill to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act to improve compensation for workers involved in uranium mining, and for other purposes.

S. 2930

At the request of Ms. Klobuchar, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. Baldwin) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2930, a bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to modify requirements for local school wellness policies.

S. 2973

At the request of Mrs. BLACKBURN, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. Marshall) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2973, a bill to establish an Inspector General of the National Institutes of Health.

 $S.\ 3021$ 

At the request of Ms. SINEMA, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3021, a bill to provide non-medical counseling services for military families.

S. 3281

At the request of Mr. Blumenthal, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. Gillibrand) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3281, a bill to amend the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act to clarify and expand food donation, and for other purposes.

S. 3293

At the request of Mr. Tester, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3293, a bill to expand access of veterans to mental health care from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 3571

At the request of Mr. Heinrich, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. Rosen) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Boozman) were added as cosponsors of S. 3571, a bill to promote remediation of abandoned hardrock mines, and for other purposes.

S. 3781

At the request of Ms. Duckworth, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. King) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3781, a bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to exclude a basic allowance for housing from income for purposes of eligibility for the supplemental nutrition assistance program.

S. 3854

At the request of Mr. Moran, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3854, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve certain programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs for home and community based services for veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3904

At the request of Ms. Rosen, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. King) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3904, a bill to enhance the cybersecurity of the Healthcare and Public Health Sector.

S. 3909

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) were added as cosponsors of S. 3909, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make employers of spouses of military personnel eligible for the work opportunity credit.

S. 4009

At the request of Mr. Casey, the names of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. Kelly) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Boozman) were added as cosponsors of S. 4009, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to rebase the calculation of payments for sole community hospitals and Medicare-dependent hospitals, and for other purposes.

S. 4105

At the request of Mr. Brown, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. Rosen) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4105, a bill to treat certain liquidations

of new motor vehicle inventory as qualified liquidations of LIFO inventory for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

S. 4111

At the request of Mr. Hoeven, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Boozman) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. Hickenlooper) were added as cosponsors of S. 4111, a bill to support research and State management efforts relating to chronic wasting disease, and for other purposes.

S. 4120

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COL-LINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4120, a bill to maximize discovery, and accelerate development and availability, of promising childhood cancer treatments, and for other purposes.

S. 4182

At the request of Ms. Baldwin, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. Hirono) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. Hickenlooper) were added as cosponsors of S. 4182, a bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to issue an occupational safety and health standard that requires covered employers within the health care and social service industries to develop and implement a comprehensive workplace violence prevention plan, and for other purposes.

S. 4260

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the names of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) were added as cosponsors of S. 4260, 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. 4311

At the request of Ms. HIRONO, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4311, a bill to amend the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to provide certain benefits to noncitizens, and for other purposes.

S. 4322

At the request of Mr. Cotton, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. Grassley) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4322, a bill to require disclosure of foreign government subsidies in the premerger notification process, and for other purposes.

S. 4385

At the request of Mr. BRAUN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4385, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to allow waivers of annual establishment registration fees for small businesses, and for other purposes.

S. 4416

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) were added as cosponsors of S. 4416, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against tax for charitable donations to nonprofit organizations providing education scholarships to qualified elementary and secondary students.

S. 4485

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4485, a bill to amend the Fair Housing Act to prohibit discrimination based on source of income, veteran status, or military status.

S. 4605

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4605, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure stability in payments to home health agencies under the Medicare program.

S. 4702

At the request of Mr. Kaine, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. Casey), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Markey) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. Gillibrand) were added as cosponsors of S. 4702, a bill to impose limits on excepting competitive service positions from the competitive service, and for other purposes.

S. 4747

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4747, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to expand the availability of mental, emotional, and behavioral health services under the Medicaid program, and for other purposes.

S. 4760

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJÁN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4760, a bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to provide the Commodity Futures Trading Commission jurisdiction to oversee the spot digital commodity market, and for other purposes.

S. 4817

At the request of Mr. Crapo, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Boozman) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4817, a bill to prevent the use of additional Internal Revenue Service funds from being used for audits of taxpayers with taxable incomes below \$400, 000 in order to protect low- and middle-income earning American taxpayers from an onslaught of audits from an army of new Internal Revenue Service auditors funded by an unprecedented, nearly \$80,000,000, 000, infusion of new funds.

S. 4863

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Washington

(Ms. Cantwell) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4863, a bill to amend the Small Business Act to improve the Women's Business Center Program, and for other purposes.

S. 4876

At the request of Mr. Marshall, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. Lankford) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4876, a bill to punish the distribution of fentanyl resulting in death as felony murder.

S. 4887

At the request of Ms. Klobuchar, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. Tester) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4887, a bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require States to provide for same day voter registration.

S. 4924

At the request of Ms. ERNST, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4924, a bill to continue in effect certain Executive orders imposing sanctions with respect to Iran, to prevent the waiver of certain sanctions imposed by the United States with respect to Iran until the Government of Iran ceases to attempt to assassinate United States officials, other United States citizens, and Iranian nationals residing in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 4925

At the request of Mrs. BLACKBURN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4925, a bill to preserve the readiness of the Armed Forces by limiting separations based on COVID-19 vaccination status and continuing pay and benefits for members while religious and health accommodations are pending.

S. 4935

At the request of Mr. Manchin, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. Barrasso) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to implement measures to better prepare for and more quickly respond to wildfires on certain public land and in certain National Forests.

S. 4940

At the request of Mr. Daines, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Boozman) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4940, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture from prohibiting the use of lead ammunition or tackle on certain Federal land or water under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

S. 4941

At the request of Mr. KING, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4941, a bill to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to extend and expand the Market Access Program and the

Foreign Market Development Cooperator Program.

S. 4946

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4946, a bill to amend the Expedited Funds Availability Act to require that funds deposited be available for withdrawal in real-time, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 63

At the request of Mr. Marshall, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. Crapo) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 63, a joint resolution relating to a national emergency declared by the President on March 13, 2020.

S. RES. 753

At the request of Mr. Sanders, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. Durbin) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 753, a resolution urging the Government of Brazil to ensure that the October 2022 elections are conducted in a free, fair, credible, transparent, and peaceful manner.

S. RES. 754

At the request of Mrs. Shaheen, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. Cornyn) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 754, a resolution designating November 13, 2022, as "National Warrior Call Day" in recognition of the importance of connecting warriors in the United States to support structures necessary to transition from the battlefield.

AMENDMENT NO. 5530

At the request of Mrs. BLACKBURN, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5530 intended to be proposed to H.R. 7900, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2023 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5585

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5585 intended to be proposed to H.R. 7900, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2023 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5645

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5645 intended to be proposed to H.R. 7900, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2023 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5646

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5646 intended to be proposed to H.R. 7900, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2023 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

# STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

#### By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 4962. A bill to establish within the Office of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment of the United States Agency for International Development a rural mobility program to promote mobility in rural communities through access to affordable, fit-for-purpose bicycles, to provide support to sustainably increase access to rural areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I would like to do something unusual on the floor of the Senate. I would like to report some good news. It isn't often we have these reports. Today, I have three items in my news that I would like to share with the people who are following this. I would like to start my remarks by sharing an incredible story from the other side of the world.

In May 2020, as the world was reeling from the spread of the deadly new strain of the coronavirus, the Red Cross society in the African nation of Kenya received 500 bicycles from a Chicago-based, nongovernmental organization known as World Bicycle Relief. Community healthworkers used these bicycles to make house visits across southern Kenya, providing health services to remote communities that would otherwise not be reached because of restrictions on movement due to COVID-19.

In Malawi, young girls used these bicycles to get safely to and from school, and when COVID-19 closed the schools down, girls like 17-year-old Elizabeth were able to shift focus to help their parents, who are farmers, weather the economic effects of the pandemic. She used her bicycle to take their produce to market.

Stories like these are common around the world, showing the value of a simple, relatively inexpensive, green, and easy-to-repair means of mobility—a bicycle—to help meet important development objectives.

Since its founding in 2005, the World Bicycle Relief of Chicago has done great work in helping displaced survivors after a natural disaster in Sri Lanka, allowing farmers to move crops in Zambia, and getting girls to school in Malawi.

I have even seen myself how a bicycle ambulance in rural Tanzania can change lives; and not long ago, my staff saw the group's efforts in Kenya, where more than 25,000 sustainable, rugged bicycles have been provided.

Since 2019, I have worked through appropriations to push USAID to invest in bicycles, which help meet the needs in healthcare, education, women and girls' empowerment, and more. Part of this funding has included an in-depth assessment to see what is most useful and how to make the programs locally sustainable. They not only send bikes; they send parts and then train the repairmen. USAID has used these lessons and opportunities with increasing success thanks to the work of many groups, including that of the World Bicycle Relief of Chicago.

Today, I am introducing legislation in partnering with the Kenya bicycle world and U.S. House of Representatives' Representative EARL BLUMENAUER of Oregon. Our bill is going to codify these important efforts and formalize the creation of a mobility program within USAID's Office of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment.

COVID-19 has taught us that a global health crisis can easily turn into an economic crisis, a food crisis, a mobility crisis, and more. Sometimes the simplest things, like a bicycle, can help make incredible progress.

That is item No. 1.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

#### S. 4962

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Bicycles for Rural African Transport Act".

#### SEC. 2. RURAL MOBILITY PROGRAM IN SUB-SAHA-RAN AFRICA.

- (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (referred to in this section as "USAID") shall establish, within the Office of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, a rural mobility program (referred to in this section as the "Program") to carry out the purposes described in paragraph (2), including through grants made to eligible nongovernmental partner organizations. In making such grants, the Administrator shall give priority to organizations with demonstrated success conducting rural mobility programs in the region for such purposes.
- (2) PURPOSE.—The Program shall focus on country-driven projects within sub-Saharan Africa that—
- (A) promote rural communities' access to critical services and opportunities, including education, health care, and livelihood opportunities, through access to affordable, fit-for-purpose bicycles; and
- (B) provide support to sustainably increase access to critical services, such as education, health care, and livelihood opportunities in rural areas, including through support for rural-based mechanics, access to spare parts, reduction of social and gender-based stigma, and community project management capacity.
- (3) PARTNERSHIPS.—To the greatest extent practicable, the Program shall partner with

existing entities outside the United States that have successful models for providing access to affordable bicycles to achieve development objectives.

- (4) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.— There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section—
- (A) \$3,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2023 and 2024:
- (B) \$6,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2025 and 2026; and
- (C) \$12,000,000 for fiscal year 2027 and for each fiscal year thereafter.
  - (b) Report.-
- (1) PRIOR PROJECTS.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of USAID shall submit a report to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives that, with respect to each of the fiscal years 2019 through 2022—
- (A) describes the projects carried out by USAID that relate to any of the purposes described in subsection (a)(2);
- (B) identifies the countries in which USAID embedded rural bicycle mobility into strategies, programs, and projects of USAID and describes the mechanisms by which rural bicycle mobility was so embedded:
- (C) specifies the number of bicycles distributed through projects carried out by USAID; and
- (D) assesses the outcomes for, and impacts on, participants in such projects and the efforts of USAID to disseminate lessons learned from such projects.
- (2) CURRENT PROJECTS.—Not later than December 30, 2024, and each December 30 thereafter, the Administrator of USAID shall submit a report to the congressional committees referred to in paragraph (1) that—
- (A) describes the projects carried out by USAID during the most recently concluded fiscal year; and
- (B) includes information relating to the matters described in subparagraphs (B) through (D) of paragraph (1).

## By Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 4968. A bill to create an Active Shooter Alert Communications Network, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. PADILLA. Mr. President, I rise to introduce the Active Shooter Alert Act of 2022.

This legislation recognizes the need to protect the public during active shooter situations while our country experiences an unconscionable epidemic of mass shootings.

This legislation would establish a voluntary public safety alert system for use by law enforcement to notify individuals of active shooter situations occurring within their communities. It would also appoint an Active Shooter Alert Coordinator at the Department of Justice who would direct Federal training, technical support, and best practices efforts across the country.

Additionally, this legislation would establish an Advisory Panel to coordinate with FEMA, the Department of Transportation, and the FCC. The panel would develop guidance on how alerts should be sent, how they should be designed, and what language should be used.