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The legislative clerk read as follows:

#### CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes with amendment No. 6513.

Charles E. Schumer, Joe Manchin III, Jon Tester, Martin Heinrich, Thomas R. Carper, Brian Schatz, Amy Klobuchar, Kyrsten Sinema, Tammy Baldwin, Richard J. Durbin, Christopher A. Coons, Sheldon Whitehouse, Angus S. King, Jr., Sherrod Brown, Michael F. Bennet, Christopher Murphy.

#### CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

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Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum calls for the cloture motions filed today, December 14, be waived.

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

#### UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that at a time to be determined by the majority leader in consultation with the Republican leader, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider calendar No. 861, Musetta Tia Johnson, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for a term of fifteen years to expire on the date prescribed by law; that there be 10 minutes for debate equally divided in the usual form on the nomination; that upon the use or yielding back of time, the Senate vote on the nomination without intervening action or debate; that if confirmed, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon

the table; that any statements related to the nomination be printed in the RECORD, and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate resume legislative session.

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

#### JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2022

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask that the Chair lay before the Senate the message to accompany S. 3846.

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate the following message from the House of Representatives:

Resolved, That the bill from the Senate (S. 3846) entitled "An Act to reauthorize the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program, and for other purposes", do pass with an amendment.

#### MOTION TO CONCUR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to concur in the House amendment, and I ask unanimous consent that the motion be agreed to and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

#### LANCE CORPORAL DANA CORNELL DARNELL VA CLINIC

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged and the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 5943.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5943) to designate the outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Greenville, South Carolina, as the "Lance Corporal Dana Cornell Darnell VA Clinic".

There being no objection, the committee was discharged and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (H.R. 5943) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### RECOGNIZING INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS' DAY

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 872, which is at the desk.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 872) recognizing Inter-scholastic Athletic Administrators' Day on December 14, 2022.

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

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions 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.

The resolution (S. Res. 872) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

#### AUTHORIZING THE PRODUCTION OF RECORDS BY THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE AND THE SENATE SERGEANT AT ARMS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 873, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 873) to authorize the production of records by the Secretary of the Senate and the Senate Sergeant at Arms.

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

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, the Secretary of the Senate and the Senate Sergeant at Arms have received from the Department of Homeland Security subpoenas for personnel records of a Sergeant at Arms employee sought in connection with an administrative investigation.

In keeping with the Senate's practice under its rules, this resolution would authorize the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms to provide these personnel records to the Homeland Security Department for use in this matter.

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OFFICE OF SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL,  
Washington, DC.

To: The Hon. Charles E. Schumer and The Hon. Mitch McConnell.

cc: The Hon. Soncerria Ann Berry and The Hon. Karen Gibson.

From: Patricia Mack Bryan and Morgan J. Frankel.

Re: Production of records of the Secretary of the Senate and the Senate Sergeant at Arms.

Date: December 6, 2022.

The Secretary of the Senate and the Senate Sergeant at Arms have received from the Department of Homeland Security subpoenas for personnel records of an employee of the Sergeant at Arms. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is conducting an administrative investigation in an immigration marriage fraud matter focusing on a third party and has determined that the personnel records of a Senate employee are needed for the proper adjudication of that matter.

Both the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms would like to cooperate with these

records requests of the Homeland Security Department.

In accordance with Senate Rule XI and the Senate's practice, the accompanying resolution would provide the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms with authority to provide these personnel records to the Homeland Security Department.

Mr. SCHUMER. I further ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions 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.

The resolution (S. Res. 873) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

## ALASKA SALMON RESEARCH TASK FORCE ACT

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 644, S. 3429.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3429) to establish an Alaska Salmon Research Task Force.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, 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 "Alaska Salmon Research Task Force Act".*

### SEC. 2. PURPOSES.

*The purposes of this Act are—*

(1) to ensure that Pacific salmon trends in Alaska regarding productivity and abundance are characterized and that research needs are identified;

(2) to prioritize scientific research needs for Pacific salmon in Alaska;

(3) to address the increased variability or decline in Pacific salmon returns in Alaska by creating a coordinated salmon research strategy; and

(4) to support collaboration and coordination for Pacific salmon conservation efforts in Alaska.

### SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

*It is the sense of Congress that—*

(1) salmon are an essential part of Alaska's fisheries, including subsistence, commercial, and recreational uses, and there is an urgent need to better understand the freshwater and marine biology and ecology of salmon, a migratory species that crosses many borders, and for a coordinated salmon research strategy to address salmon returns that are in decline or experiencing increased variability;

(2) salmon are an essential element for the well-being and health of Alaskans; and

(3) there is a unique relationship between people of Indigenous heritage and the salmon they rely on for subsistence and traditional and cultural practices.

### SEC. 4. ALASKA SALMON RESEARCH TASK FORCE.

(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Governor

of Alaska, shall convene an Alaska Salmon Research Task Force (referred to in this section as the "Research Task Force") to—

(1) review existing Pacific salmon research;

(2) identify applied research needed to better understand the increased variability and declining salmon returns in some regions of Alaska; and

(3) support sustainable management of salmon in Alaska.

(b) *COMPOSITION AND APPOINTMENT.*—

(1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Research Task Force shall be composed of not fewer than 13 and not more than 19 members, who shall be appointed under paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) *APPOINTMENT BY SECRETARY.*—The Secretary of Commerce shall appoint members to the Research Task Force as follows:

(A) One representative from each of the following:

(i) The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration who is knowledgeable about salmon and salmon research efforts in Alaska and is from the Alaska Region.

(ii) The North Pacific Fishery Management Council.

(iii) The United States section of the Pacific Salmon Commission.

(B) Not less than 2 and not more than 5 representatives from each of the following categories, at least 2 of whom shall represent Alaska Natives who possess personal knowledge of, and direct experience with, subsistence uses in rural Alaska, to be appointed with due regard to differences in regional perspectives and experience:

(i) Residents of Alaska who possess personal knowledge of, and direct experience with, subsistence uses in rural Alaska.

(ii) Alaska fishing industry representatives throughout the salmon supply chain, including from—

(I) directed commercial fishing;

(II) recreational fishing;

(III) charter fishing;

(IV) seafood processors;

(V) salmon prohibited species catch (bycatch) users; or

(VI) hatcheries.

(C) 5 representatives who are academic experts in salmon biology, salmon management, salmon ecology (marine and freshwater), or comprehensive marine research planning in the North Pacific.

(3) *APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR OF ALASKA.*—The Governor of Alaska shall appoint to the Research Task Force one representative from the State of Alaska who is knowledgeable about the State of Alaska's salmon management and research efforts.

(c) *DUTIES.*—

(1) *REVIEW.*—The Research Task Force shall—

(A) conduct a review of Pacific salmon science relevant to understanding and managing salmon returns in Alaska, including an examination of—

(i) traditional ecological knowledge of salmon populations and their ecosystems;

(ii) marine carrying capacity and density dependent constraints, including an examination of interactions with other salmon species, and with forage base in marine ecosystems;

(iii) life-cycle and stage-specific mortality;

(iv) genetic sampling and categorization of population structure within salmon species in Alaska;

(v) methods for predicting run-timing and stock sizes;

(vi) oceanographic models that provide insight into stock distribution, growth, and survival;

(vii) freshwater, estuarine, and marine processes that affect survival of smolts;

(viii) climate effects on freshwater and marine habitats;

(ix) predator/prey interactions between salmon and marine mammals or other predators; and

(x) salmon productivity trends in other regions, both domestic and international, that put

Alaska salmon populations in a broader geographic context; and

(B) identify scientific research gaps in understanding the Pacific salmon life cycle in Alaska.

(2) *REPORT.*—Not later than 1 year after the date the Research Task Force is convened, the Research Task Force shall submit to the Secretary of Commerce, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate, the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, and the Alaska State Legislature, and make publicly available, a report—

(A) describing the review conducted under paragraph (1); and

(B) that includes—

(i) recommendations on filling knowledge gaps that warrant further scientific inquiry; and

(ii) findings from the reports of work groups submitted under subsection (d)(2)(C).

(d) *ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.*—

(1) *CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON.*—The Research Task Force shall select a Chair and Vice Chair by vote from among the members of the Research Task Force.

(2) *WORK GROUPS.*—

(A) *IN GENERAL.*—The Research Task Force—

(i) not later than 30 days after the date of the establishment of the Research Task Force, shall establish a work group focused specifically on salmon returns in the AYK (Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim) regions of Western Alaska; and

(ii) may establish additional regionally or stock focused work groups within the Research Task Force, as members determine appropriate.

(B) *COMPOSITION.*—Each work group established under this subsection shall—

(i) consist of not less than 5 individuals who—

(I) are knowledgeable about the stock or region under consideration; and

(II) need not be members of the Research Task Force; and

(ii) be balanced in terms of stakeholder representation, including commercial, recreational, and subsistence fisheries, as well as experts in statistical, biological, economic, social, or other scientific information as relevant to the work group's focus.

(C) *REPORTS.*—Not later than 9 months after the date the Research Task Force is convened, each work group established under this subsection shall submit a report with the work group's findings to the Research Task Force.

(3) *COMPENSATION.*—Each member of the Research Task Force shall serve without compensation.

(4) *ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.*—The Secretary of Commerce shall provide such administrative support as is necessary for the Research Task Force and its work groups to carry out their duties, including support for virtual or in-person participation and travel expenses.

(e) *FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACT.*—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Research Task Force.

### SEC. 5. DEFINITION OF PACIFIC SALMON.

In this Act, the term "Pacific salmon" means salmon that originates in Alaskan waters.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the Sullivan substitute amendment at the desk be considered and agreed to; that the committee-reported substitute, as amended, be agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be considered read a third time and passed; and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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