

## SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 158—CON-  
DEMNING THE DEPORTATION OF  
CHILDREN FROM UKRAINE TO  
THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND  
THE FORCIBLE TRANSFER OF  
CHILDREN WITHIN TERRITORIES  
OF UKRAINE THAT ARE TEMPO-  
RARILY OCCUPIED BY RUSSIAN  
FORCES

Mr. PETERS (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 158

Whereas, on January 12, 1951, the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (commonly known as the “Genocide Convention”), of which the Russian Federation is a signatory, came into effect;

Whereas, on February 24, 2022, the Russian Federation launched an illegal and unprovoked further invasion of Ukraine;

Whereas, on March 22, 2022, the Ukrainian Foreign Ministry announced that the Russian military had forcefully and illegally kidnapped 2,389 Ukrainian children from temporarily occupied areas of Ukraine;

Whereas forcibly transferring children of one group to another group is a violation of Article II(e) of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, adopted and opened for signature in 1948 and entered into force in 1951 (commonly known as the “Genocide Convention”);

Whereas the unlawful deportation or transfer of people constitutes a breach of Article 147 of the Convention (IV) relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, done at Geneva August 12, 1949 (commonly referred to as the “Fourth Geneva Convention”);

Whereas, Maria Lvova-Belova, Children’s Rights Commissioner for the President of Russia, admitted to kidnapping Ukrainian children and facilitating forced adoptions to Russian families;

Whereas Ukrainian authorities have stated that a number of the kidnapped Ukrainian children have families who remain in Ukraine, but have been separated due to the Russian invasion;

Whereas, on May 30, 2022, the President of the Russian Federation, Vladimir Putin, signed a decree simplifying the procedure of obtaining Russian citizenship for Ukrainian orphans and children without parental care, thereby expediting the process of illegal adoption of deported Ukrainian children by Russian families;

Whereas, on June 2, 2022, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy stated that 200,000 children are among the Ukrainians who have been forcefully resettled in Russia;

Whereas on June 16, 2022, Russian authorities announced that children born in occupied Ukrainian territories after the February 24, 2022, invasion will be deemed Russian citizens;

Whereas, on July 11, 2022, United Nations Secretary General António Guterres ordered an investigation into the deaths and injuries of Ukrainian children;

Whereas, on July 13, 2022, Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken issued a statement calling upon Russia to “immediately halt its systemic filtration operations in Ukraine”, which have caused the disappearance, deten-

tion, or forcible deportation of between 900,000 and 1,600,000 Ukrainians (approximately 260,000 of whom are children);

Whereas, on December 5, 2022, Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights, Dmytro Lubinets, announced that at least 2,800,000 Ukrainians have been deported to Russia;

Whereas on March 17, 2023, the International Criminal Court issued warrants of arrest, relating to the war crimes described in subsections (a)(vii) and (b)(viii) of section 2 of article 8 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, for—

(1) Vladimir Putin, for—

(A) the unlawful deportation of population (children); and

(B) the unlawful transfer of population (children) from occupied areas of Ukraine to the Russian Federation; and

(2) Maria Lvova-Belova, Presidential Commissioner for Children’s Rights in Russia, for—

(A) the unlawful deportation of population (children); and

(B) the unlawful transfer of population (children) from occupied areas of Ukraine to the Russian Federation; and

Whereas, as of March 27, 2023, the official platform “Children of War”, which was created by the Ministry of Reintegration and the National Information Bureau on behalf of the Office of the President of Ukraine reported that—

(1) at least 465 Ukrainian children have been killed and 942 Ukrainian children have been wounded since Russia’s renewed invasion of Ukraine began; and

(2) there has been 16,207 verified cases of Ukrainian children being deported to Russia out of a possible 744,000 cases: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) holds the Government of the Russian Federation, under the leadership of Vladimir Putin, responsible for the wrongful and illegal kidnapping of children from Ukraine and officially condemns these actions in the strongest terms;

(2) declares that the facilitation of illegal adoptions is contrary to Russia’s obligations under the Genocide Convention and amounts to genocide;

(3) claims that the Russian Federation is attempting to wipe out a generation of Ukrainian children, thereby crippling Ukraine’s ability to nurture the next generation of Ukrainian citizens and leaders and to rebuild their country after Russia’s unprovoked war, with the purpose of demolishing Ukraine’s unique language, culture, history, and identity; and

(4) asserts that the invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation has significantly increased the risks of children being exposed to human trafficking and exploitation, child labor, gender-based violence, hunger, injury, trauma, deprivation of education and shelter, and death.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND  
PROPOSED

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SA 79. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 80. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 81. Mr. SCOTT of Florida submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 82. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. CRAMER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 870, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 83. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. McConnell to the bill S. 870, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 84. Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. Schumer to the bill S. 870, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

## TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

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At the end of the bill, add the following:

**SEC. 8. MANDATORY USE OF E-VERIFY.**

The Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2201 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

**“SEC. 39. MANDATORY USE OF E-VERIFY.**

“No funds authorized under this Act may be awarded to an eligible entity unless such entity—

“(1) has enrolled in the E-Verify Program described in section 403(a) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (division C of Public Law 104-208; 8 U.S.C. 1324a note); and

“(2) is in full compliance with all of the procedures described in such section relating to hiring workers for employment in the United States.”.

**SA 69.** Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANTS.**

Section 2004(e)(1)(A) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 605(e)(1)(A)) is amended—

(1) in clause (i), by striking “2008” and inserting “2024”;

(2) in clause (ii)—

(A) by striking “0.365” and inserting “0.385”; and

(B) by striking “2009” and inserting “2025”;

(3) in clause (iii)—

(A) by striking “0.36” and inserting “0.395”; and

(B) by striking “2010” and inserting “2026”;

(4) in clause (iv)—

(A) by striking “0.355” and inserting “0.405”; and

(B) by striking “2011” and inserting “2027”;

and

(5) in clause (v)—

(A) by striking “0.35” and inserting “0.415”; and

(B) by striking “2012 and in each fiscal year thereafter” and inserting “2028”.

**SA 70.** Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE.**

Section 2003 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 604) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(f) **REDUCTION IN CALCULATED AWARD.**—A grant awarded to a high-risk area under this section in a fiscal year shall be reduced by 50 percent of the funds that remain unobligated for that high-risk area in any previous fiscal year.”.

**SA 71.** Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. LIMITATION ON USE OF GRANT FUNDS TO PURCHASE ELECTRIC VEHICLES WITH CERTAIN BATTERIES.**

No Federal assistance may be provided under the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2201 et seq.) to an eligible recipient or subrecipient to purchase an electric fire department or public safety

vehicle if the primary battery of that electric vehicle is made in China.

**SA 72.** Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM REORGANIZATION.**

(a) **EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM NATIONAL BOARD.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 301 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11331) is amended—

(A) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the following:

“(b) **MEMBERS.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The National Board shall consist of—

“(A) the Director;

“(B) 2 members appointed by the Director in accordance with paragraph (2);

“(C) 1 member appointed by the Secretary of Homeland Security;

“(D) 1 member appointed by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development;

“(E) 1 member appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture; and

“(F) 1 member appointed by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

“(2) **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.**—

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—In appointing the members described in paragraph (1)(B), the Director shall select from applications of individuals seeking to serve as a member on the National Board.

“(B) **CRITERIA.**—In selecting applications of individuals under subparagraph (A), the Director shall select the 2 most qualified individuals who—

“(i) have not less than 10 years of experience working on public policy relating to housing and homelessness; and

“(ii) are not from the same geographic region of the United States.

“(3) **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.**—An individual may not serve as a member of the National Board if, during the 5-year period preceding the first day of service on the National Board, the individual was an employee of an organization, or an affiliate of an organization, that, during the preceding 5 fiscal years, received funding under this title.

“(4) **REVOLVING DOOR.**—During the 2-year period following the final day of service of an individual as a member of the National Board, the individual may not serve as an employee of an organization, or an affiliate of an organization, that, during a fiscal year during which the individual served as a member of the National Board, received funding under this title.

“(5) **TERM LIMIT.**—An individual may not serve as a member of the National Board for a period of more than 2 years.”; and

(B) by striking subsection (e).

(2) **CURRENT NATIONAL BOARD MEMBERS.**—With respect to an individual serving as a member of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program National Board established under section 301 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11331) as of the date of enactment of this Act, for the purpose of section 301(b)(5) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of that Act, as amended by this Act, the individual shall be deemed to have begun service on the Board on the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) **LOCAL BOARDS.**—Section 302 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

(42 U.S.C. 11332) is amended by striking subsection (a) and inserting the following:

“(a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Each locality designated by the National Board shall constitute a local board for the purpose of determining how program funds allotted to the locality will be distributed. The local board shall consist, to the extent practicable, of—

“(A) agencies of State and local governments that serve functions similar to the functions of the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Department of Agriculture, and the Office of Management and Budget;

“(B) the mayor or other appropriate heads of government; and

“(C) representatives of nonprofit organizations that aid individuals and families who are experiencing, or are at risk of experiencing, hunger or homelessness.

“(2) **PROGRAM FUNDS FOR RESERVATIONS.**—Each local board administering program funds for a locality within which is located a reservation (as such term is defined in section 3 of the Indian Financing Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 1452), or a portion thereof, shall include a board member who is a member of an Indian tribe (as such term is defined in section 102(a) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5302(a)). The chairperson of the local board shall be elected by a majority of the members of the local board. Local boards are encouraged to expand participation of other private nonprofit organizations on the local board.”.

**SA 73.** Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1, line 1, strike “5 days” and insert “6 days”.

**SA 74.** Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end add the following:

**SEC. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 1 day after the date of enactment of this Act.

**SA 75.** Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “1 day” and insert “2 days”.

**SA 76.** Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations

for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1, line 1, strike “2 days” and insert “3 days”.

**SA 77.** Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end add the following:

**SEC. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 4 day after the date of enactment of this Act.

**SA 78.** Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “4 days” and insert “5 days”.

**SA 79.** Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . PROHIBITION ON AWARD OF FEDERAL FUNDS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—A fire service shall be ineligible to receive any Federal funds made available under this Act and the amendments made by this Act if the fire service dismissed or discharged from employment any individual based solely on—

(1) the failure of the individual to obey an order to receive a vaccine for COVID-19; or

(2) the exercise by the individual of any rights protected under the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States to speak against the implementation of any mandate to receive a vaccine for COVID-19.

(b) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply if the fire service has offered reinstatement to all individuals dismissed or discharged based solely on a reason described in paragraph (1) or (2) of that subsection to the position and rank held by the individual on the date of the dismissal or discharge with full back pay calculated from the date of the dismissal or discharge.

(c) FIRE SERVICE DEFINED.—The term “fire service” has the meaning given that term in section 4 of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2203).

**SA 80.** Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs;

which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . STATE AND TRIBAL USE OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF FUEL BREAKS IN FORESTS AND OTHER WILDLAND VEGETATION.**

Section 40806 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (16 U.S.C. 6592b) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) STATE AND TRIBAL PROJECT DELIVERY PROGRAMS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—On request of a State or an Indian Tribe, the Secretary concerned shall enter into an agreement (which may be in the form of a memorandum of understanding) with the State or Indian Tribe, under which the Secretary concerned assigns, and the State or Indian Tribe assumes, the responsibilities of the Secretary concerned with respect to—

“(A) 1 or more projects under this section using the categorical exclusion established by subsection (b), including—

“(i) environmental review, consultation, and any other action required under any Federal environmental law with respect to the review or approval of a project, including the preparation of a supporting decision memorandum in accordance with subsection (b); and

“(ii) carrying out the forest management activities described in subsection (c) on public lands or National Forest System land in the State or under the jurisdiction of the Indian Tribe, as applicable; or

“(B) any other project on public lands or National Forest System land in the State or under the jurisdiction of the Indian Tribe, as applicable, using any other categorical exclusion that the Secretary concerned determines to be appropriate for use by the State or Indian Tribe, as applicable, to protect communities from wildfire.

“(2) COLLABORATION.—A State or an Indian Tribe may enter into an agreement under paragraph (1) in collaboration with a unit of local government, a private entity, or a community organization and associated contractors.

“(3) REQUIREMENTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A State or an Indian Tribe that assumes responsibilities under paragraph (1) shall be subject to the same procedural and substantive requirements as to which the Secretary concerned would be subject.

“(B) RETENTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES.—Any responsibility of the Secretary concerned that is not explicitly assigned to and assumed by a State or an Indian Tribe under an agreement under paragraph (1) shall remain the responsibility of the Secretary concerned.

“(C) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary concerned may not require a State or an Indian Tribe, as a condition on entering into an agreement under paragraph (1), to forgo any other means for carrying out the applicable project that is otherwise permissible under applicable law.

“(D) VERIFICATION OF RESOURCES.—As a condition on entering into an agreement under paragraph (1), the Secretary concerned may require a State or an Indian Tribe to verify that the State or Indian Tribe has the financial and personnel resources necessary to carry out the responsibilities described in that paragraph.

“(4) AGREEMENTS.—An agreement under paragraph (1) shall—

“(A) be executed by the Governor or the top-ranking official of the State or Indian Tribe that is charged with responsibility for the applicable project;

“(B) be in such form as the Secretary concerned may prescribe;

“(C) provide that the State or Indian Tribe—

“(i) agrees to assume all or part of the responsibilities of the Secretary concerned;

“(ii) expressly consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the compliance, discharge, and enforcement of any responsibility of the Secretary concerned assumed by the State or Indian Tribe;

“(iii) certifies that State or Tribal laws (including regulations) are in effect that—

“(I) authorize the State or Indian Tribe to take the actions necessary to carry out the responsibilities being assumed; and

“(II) provide that any decision regarding the public availability of a document under those State or Tribal laws is reviewable by a court of competent jurisdiction; and

“(iv) agrees to maintain the financial and personnel resources necessary to carry out the responsibilities being assumed;

“(D) require the State or Indian Tribe to provide to the Secretary concerned any information that the Secretary concerned reasonably considers necessary to ensure that the State or Indian Tribe is adequately carrying out the responsibilities assigned to the State or Indian Tribe;

“(E) have a term of not more than 5 years; and

“(F) be renewable.

“(5) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The district courts of the United States shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any civil action against a State or an Indian Tribe for a failure to carry out any responsibility assigned to and assumed by the State or Indian Tribe under an agreement under paragraph (1).

“(B) LEGAL STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS.—A civil action described in subparagraph (A) shall be governed by the legal standards and requirements that would apply if the civil action were against the Secretary concerned had the Secretary concerned taken the relevant actions.

“(C) INTERVENTION.—The Secretary concerned may intervene in any civil action described in subparagraph (A).

“(6) STATE OR TRIBAL RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY.—A State or an Indian Tribe that assumes responsibilities under an agreement under paragraph (1) shall be—

“(A) solely responsible for carrying out the responsibilities; and

“(B) solely liable for any action or failure to take an action in carrying out those responsibilities.

“(7) TERMINATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A State or an Indian Tribe may terminate an agreement entered into by the State or Indian Tribe under paragraph (1), at any time, by submitting to the Secretary concerned a notice not later than the date that is 90 days before the date of termination.

“(B) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—A termination under subparagraph (A) shall be subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary concerned may provide.

“(8) EDUCATION AND OTHER INITIATIVES.—The Secretary concerned, in cooperation with representatives of State and Tribal officials, may carry out education, training, peer-exchange, and other initiatives, as appropriate—

“(A) to assist States and Indian Tribes in developing the capacity to carry out projects under this subsection; and

“(B) to promote information-sharing and collaboration among States and Indian Tribes that are carrying out projects under this subsection.”.

**SA 81.** Mr. SCOTT of Florida submitted an amendment intended to be

proposed by him to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . TRANSFER OF UNOBLIGATED COVID FUNDS.**

(a) COVERED FUNDS.—The term “covered funds” means amounts made available under—

(1) the Coronavirus Relief Fund established under section 601 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801); and

(2) the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund programs established under section 602 or 603 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 802, 803).

(b) IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDS TO TRANSFER.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall identify unobligated covered funds, which shall be transferred to the Administrator of the United States Fire Administration under subsection (c).

(c) TRANSFER.—Effective on the date that is 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the unobligated covered funds identified by the Secretary of the Treasury under subsection (b) shall be transferred to and merged with other amounts made available to the Administrator of the United States Fire Administration to carry out section 17(g)(1)(N) of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2216(g)(1)(N)).

(d) AVAILABILITY AND USE.—Amounts transferred under subsection (c) shall remain available until expended.

**SA 82.** Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. CRAMER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER BENEFITS FOR EXPOSURE-RELATED CANCERS.**

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the “Honoring Our Fallen Heroes Act of 2023”.

(b) CANCER-RELATED DEATHS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1201 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10281) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(p) EXPOSURE-RELATED CANCERS.—

“(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

“(A) CARCINOGEN.—The term ‘carcinogen’ means a known or suspected carcinogen, as defined by the International Agency for Research on Cancer, that is reasonably linked to an exposure-related cancer.

“(B) DIRECTOR.—The term ‘Director’ means the Director of the Bureau.

“(C) EXPOSURE-RELATED CANCER.—The term ‘exposure-related cancer’ means—

- “(i) bladder cancer;
- “(ii) brain cancer;
- “(iii) breast cancer;
- “(iv) cervical cancer;
- “(v) colon cancer;
- “(vi) colorectal cancer;
- “(vii) esophagus cancer;
- “(viii) kidney cancer;
- “(ix) leukemia;

- “(x) lung cancer;
- “(xi) malignant melanoma;
- “(xii) mesothelioma;
- “(xiii) multiple myeloma;
- “(xiv) non-Hodgkins lymphoma;
- “(xv) ovarian cancer;
- “(xvi) prostate cancer;
- “(xvii) skin cancer;
- “(xviii) stomach cancer;
- “(xix) testicular cancer;
- “(xx) thyroid cancer;

“(xxi) any form of cancer that is considered a WTC-related health condition under section 3312(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300mm-22(a)); and

“(xxii) any other form of cancer that the Bureau may determine appropriate in accordance with paragraph (3).

“(2) PERSONAL INJURY SUSTAINED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), as determined by the Bureau, the death or permanent and total disability of a public safety officer due to an exposure-related cancer shall be presumed to constitute a personal injury within the meaning of subsection (a), sustained in the line of duty by the officer and directly and proximately resulting in death or permanent and total disability, if—

“(i) the public safety officer was exposed to or in contact with heat, radiation, or a carcinogen that is linked to an exposure-related cancer while in the course of the line of duty;

“(ii) the public safety officer began serving as a public safety officer not later than 5 years before the date of the diagnosis of the public safety officer with an exposure-related cancer;

“(iii) the public safety officer was diagnosed with an exposure-related cancer not later than 15 years after the last date of active service as a public safety officer of the public safety officer; and

“(iv) the exposure-related cancer directly and proximately results in the death or permanent and total disability of the public safety officer.

“(B) EXCEPTION.—The presumption under subparagraph (A) shall not apply to the death or permanent and total disability of a public safety officer due to an exposure-related cancer if competent medical evidence establishes that the exposure-related cancer was unrelated to the exposure or contact described in subparagraph (A)(i).

“(3) ADDITIONAL EXPOSURE-RELATED CANCERS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall—

“(i) periodically review the definition of ‘exposure-related cancer’ under paragraph (1); and

“(ii) add a type of exposure-related cancer to the definition by rule, upon a showing by a petitioner or on the Director’s own determination, in accordance with this paragraph.

“(B) BASIS FOR DETERMINATION.—The Director shall add a type of exposure-related cancer to the definition of ‘exposure-related cancer’ under paragraph (1) upon a showing by a petitioner or the Director’s own determination, based on the weight of the best available scientific evidence, that there is a significant risk to public safety officers engaged in public safety activities of developing the type of exposure-related cancer.

“(C) AVAILABLE EXPERTISE.—In determining significant risk for the purpose of subparagraph (B), the Director may accept as authoritative and may rely upon recommendations, risk assessments, and scientific studies by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, the National Toxicology Program, the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, and the International Agency for Research on Cancer.

“(D) PETITIONS TO ADD TO THE LIST OF EXPOSURE-RELATED CANCERS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Any person may petition the Director to add a type of exposure-related cancer to the definition of ‘exposure-related cancer’ under paragraph (1).

“(ii) CONTENT OF PETITION.—A petition under clause (i) shall provide information to show that there is sufficient evidence, based on the weight of the best available scientific evidence, of significant risk to public safety officers engaged in public safety activities of developing such exposure-related cancer from their employment.

“(iii) TIMELY AND SUBSTANTIVE DECISIONS.—Not later than 180 days after receipt of a petition under this subparagraph, the Director shall grant or deny the petition by publishing in the Federal Register a written explanation of the reasons for the Director’s decision. The Director may not deny a petition solely on the basis of competing priorities, inadequate resources, or insufficient time for review.

“(iv) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30 days after making any decision to approve or deny a petition under this subparagraph, the Director shall notify the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives of the decision.”.

(2) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall apply in the case of any public safety officer who died or became permanently and totally disabled on or after January 1, 2023, as a result of an exposure-related cancer.

(c) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3 of the Safe-guarding America’s First Responders Act of 2020 (34 U.S.C. 10281 note) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘line of duty action’ includes any action in which a public safety officer engages at the direction of the agency served by the public safety officer.”.

(2) APPLICABILITY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall apply in the case of any public safety officer who died on or after January 1, 2020.

(B) TIME FOR FILING CLAIM.—Section 32.12(a)(1) of title 28, Code of Federal Regulations, shall not apply to a claimant who otherwise qualifies for support pursuant to the amendment made by paragraph (1).

**SA 83.** Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. McConnell to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . ELIGIBLE USE FOR GRANT FUNDS.**

Section 33(c)(3) of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229(c)(3)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraphs (K) through (N) as subparagraphs (L) through (O), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subparagraph (J) the following:

“(K) To construct in communities with not more than 10,000 individuals fire stations, fire training facilities, and other facilities to protect the health and safety of firefighting personnel.”.

**SA 84.** Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) submitted an amendment

intended to be proposed by Mr. Schumer to the bill S. 870, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . INCLUSION OF SMOKE IN THE DEFINITION OF DISASTER.**

Section 3(k)(2) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(k)(2)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following: “(D) smoke.”.

**PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR**

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the following interns from my office be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the Congress: Makayla Rae Ross and Jacob Tipton.

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

**APPOINTMENT**

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 117-263, announces the appointment of the following individual to serve as member of the Commission on Reform and Modernization of the Department of State: the Honorable BILL HAGERTY of Tennessee.

**ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023**

Ms. STABENOW. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 18; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; that following the conclusion of morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the Plumb nomination postcloture; further, at 11:30 a.m., the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; that the Senate recess following the cloture vote on the Solomon nomination until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly caucus meetings; further, that if cloture has been invoked on the Solomon nomination, all postcloture time be considered expired at 2:15 p.m. and the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; finally, that if any nominations are confirmed, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

**ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M.  
TOMORROW**

Ms. STABENOW. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:28 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 10 a.m.

**NOMINATIONS**

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

LISA PETERSON, OF VIRGINIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI.

**THE JUDICIARY**

ANA DE ALBA, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT, VICE PAUL J. WATFORD, RESIGNING.

IRMA CARRILLO RAMIREZ, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT, VICE GREGG JEFFREY COSTA, RESIGNED.

**IN THE AIR FORCE**

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be brigadier general*

COL. BRIAN R. MOORE

**IN THE NAVY**

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS SURGEON GENERAL OF THE NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 8077:

*To be rear admiral (lower half)*

REAR ADM. (LH) DARIN K. VIA

**IN THE AIR FORCE**

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be major*

ANDREW K. BERKEY  
BRANDON WOODS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be lieutenant colonel*

JACQUELYN P. SMITH

**IN THE ARMY**

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be colonel*

MICHAEL T. RITTENHOUSE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 7064:

*To be major*

CHET M. KORENSKY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be major*

ANTHONY L. GHEZZI

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be colonel*

ABRAHAM N. OSBORN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be colonel*

AMANDA E. HARRINGTON

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be colonel*

LEE W. DOGGETT

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be lieutenant colonel*

MATTHEW ACOSTA  
ANTHONY A. AKRAMI  
JOHN L. ALBERT  
BRIAN E. ALEXANDER  
JOSEPH M. ALEXANDER  
TREVOR D. ALEXANDER  
CHAZ E. ALLEN  
EDGARDO J. ALVAREZ  
CAMERON C. ANDERSON  
DANIEL J. ARNOLD  
ANDREW J. ARTIS  
TIMOTHY A. ASHCRAFT  
MATTHEW W. ASMUS, JR.  
ARCADIO AVALOS  
DIANA J. AXAYMAC  
SHAUN M. BAILEY  
COLIN P. BAIR  
GRANT R. BARGE  
NATHAN J. BARLOW  
CHRISTOPHER A. BARNETT  
PATRICK A. BARONE  
ANDREW M. BARTLETT  
JONATHAN J. BATT  
RYAN A. BAUM  
JOSEPH M. BAUMANN  
DOUGLAS D. BAZIL  
CHRISTOPHER M. BEACH  
GARY A. BEAUMONT, JR.  
DAVID L. BECKER, JR.  
LISA M. BECKER  
CHRISTOPHER R. BECKWITH  
ALEXANDER J. BEDARD  
CHRISTOPHER M. BEHM  
JOSHUA R. BELL  
JENNIFER M. BELLAMY  
JORDAN M. BELLAMY  
CURT J. BELOHLAVEK  
PETER V. BIER  
WALTER J. BINER  
BRYAN J. BLACKBURN  
JAMES H. BLACKBURN  
JEREMY J. BLASCAK  
MATTHEW T. BOISE  
KEVIN W. BOLDT  
MATTHEW C. BOUDRO  
TONY D. BOWERS  
JOHN T. BRASHER  
VIRGINIA R. BRICKNER  
BENJAMIN R. BRINGHURST  
DEREK P. BROWN  
KYLE T. BROWN  
NICHOLAS B. BROWNING  
INGRID F. BRUNING  
SPENSER H. BRUNING  
THOMAS T. BULLER  
CHARLES J. BURKARDT  
VINCENT F. BURLAZZI  
KYLE V. BURNS  
MARCELLE R. BURRONI  
ELLISEUS J. BUSUEGO  
FREDERICK J. CARR, JR.  
JAMES R. CARROLL  
NATHANIEL T. CARTER  
SAM H. CASELLA  
JEFFREY R. CASHON  
ALAN C. CAUSEY  
KEVIN R. CHAMBERLAIN  
KENNETH T. CHAPLIN  
DANIEL K. CHAVES  
JOSHUA T. CHRISTIAN  
DAVID R. CHRISTMAS  
LINDA K. CHUNG  
BRYAN A. CIABOTTE  
DUANE W. CLARK  
MATTHEW K. CLARK  
SAMUEL B. CLARK  
MATTHEW R. CLAWSON  
JONATHAN R. COCHRAN  
LOGAN M. COLE  
ANDREW M. COLEMAN  
NICOLE M. COLLINS  
SHAUN A. COLLINS  
AUSTIN G. COMMONS  
SHAWN M. COOK  
JEFFREY P. COX  
TIMOTHY D. COX  
CAMERON S. CRAIG  
MICHAEL A. CRYER  
JUSTIN L. CUNNINGHAM  
SCOTT T. DAWE  
JOSHUA J. DAWSON  
STEPHEN L. DETERDING  
ROBERT D. DETIENNE  
JORDAN A. DILENA  
MATTHEW M. DOBYNS  
JOHN J. DONOVAN  
ANTHONY J. DOUGLASS  
STEPHEN N. DOYLE  
WILLIAM J. DOYLE  
NICHOLAS W. DRAKE  
JUSTIN M. DUCOTE  
JOSHUA J. DURHAM  
DUSTIN L. EGGLESTON  
JOHN M. EISENLOHR  
BRANDON J. ESSIET  
ROBERT J. ETHERIDGE  
ANTHONY W. EVANS  
MICHAEL J. EVANS  
HOWARD E. FALLS  
ANTHONY S. FATULA  
RYAN P. FEENEY  
JOSHUA W. FENDER  
STEPHEN J. FENNESSY  
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