

and witnesses during investigations, provide restitution for survivors, prevent unfair sentencing of youthful offenders who were victims of trafficking, and provide stricter sanctions for countries on Tier 3 of the Trafficking in Persons Report because they do not comply with minimum standards to prevent human trafficking; and

Whereas, The legislation also increases accountability for the United States, as well as foreign governments, hotels, and airlines through anti-trafficking training and codes of conduct for their staff; transparency in anti-trafficking expenditures; and permanent incorporation of the United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking as part of the United States' commitment to survivor informed policy; and

Whereas, The State of New Jersey recognizes that a major reason trafficking survivors cannot escape the cycle of human trafficking is because they do not have shelter to which they can escape; and

Whereas, It is the duty of our State and country to protect these vulnerable populations and to ensure housing access; and

Whereas, The welfare of an increasing number of children is effected by the human trafficking issues this legislation is intended to eliminate; and

Whereas, It is imperative that Congress acts to ensure that these vulnerable populations are protected from a devastating cycle of violence and abuse resulting from human trafficking; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. The United States Senate is respectfully urged to pass the Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act of 2022.

2. Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State, shall be transmitted by the Clerk of the General Assembly, to the President and Vice President of the United States, the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, and to every member of New Jersey's congressional delegation.

POM-32. A resolution adopted by the Council of the District of Columbia declaring the sense of the Council that the United States should end the economic blockade of Cuba and remove Cuba from the State Sponsors of Terrorism list due to the unjust harm it causes the Cuban people; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. MURRAY, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2024" (Rept. No. 118-57).

By Mr. REED, from the Committee on Armed Services:

Report to accompany S. 2226, An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 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 (Rept. No. 118-58).

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BROWN for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

\*Lisa DeNell Cook, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 2024.

\*Philip Nathan Jefferson, of North Carolina, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years.

\*Adriana Debora Kugler, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2012.

By Ms. CANTWELL for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Fara Damelin, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Federal Communications Commission.

\*Alvin Brown, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2026.

\*Brendan Carr, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2023.

\*Anna M. Gomez, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2021.

\*Geoffrey Adam Starks, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2022.

Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation I report favorably the following nomination list which was printed in the RECORD on the date indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that this nomination lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

\*Coast Guard nominations beginning with Steven Blum and ending with Jason Veara, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 15, 2023.

By Mr. SANDERS for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

\*Loren E. Sweatt, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 2023.

\*Loren E. Sweatt, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 2026.

\*Gwynne A. Wilcox, of New York, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2028.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Ms. SMITH):

S. 2252. A bill to require the Federal banking regulators to jointly conduct a study and develop a strategic plan to address chal-

lenges faced by proposed depository institutions seeking de novo depository institution charters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. PADILLA (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 2253. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide increased labor law protections for agricultural workers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 2254. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish pharmacy benefit manager reporting requirements with respect to prescription drug plans and MA-PD plans under Medicare part D; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. VANCE (for himself and Mr. HAWLEY):

S. 2255. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to clarify the meaning of the term "aggregate value" for purposes of the Presidential drawdown authority; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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

S. 2256. A bill to authorize the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to establish an apprenticeship program and to establish a pilot program on cybersecurity training for veterans and members of the Armed Forces transitioning to civilian life, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. WARREN (for herself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. REED, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, and Mr. BROWN):

S. 2257. A bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to add additional demographic reporting requirements, to modify the goals of the Federal Reserve System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WELCH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 2258. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to permit supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits to be used to purchase additional types of food items; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself and Ms. HASSAN):

S. 2259. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to establish community integration network infrastructure for services for veterans, to require the collection from veterans of information related to social determinants of health, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. PETERS):

S. 2260. A bill to require transparency in notices of funding opportunity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. WICKER):

S. 2261. A bill to ensure that significantly more students graduate college with the international knowledge and experience essential for success in today's global economy

through the establishment of the Senator Paul Simon Study Abroad Program in the Department of State; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. SINEMA (for herself and Mr. KELLY):

S. 2262. A bill to designate the Baaj Nwaavjo I'tah Kukveni Grand Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SULLIVAN:

S. 2263. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reimburse the cost of transportation by ambulance for highly rural veterans seeking care under the laws administered by the Secretary, regardless of whether such veteran qualifies for payments or allowances for beneficiary travel; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. OSSOFF:

S. 2264. A bill to allow for civil and criminal actions against certain providers of interactive computer services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SULLIVAN:

S. 2265. A bill to streamline and expedite the foreign military sales process, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 2266. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide greater access to higher education for America's students, to eliminate educational barriers for participation in a public service career, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. WELCH):

S. 2267. A bill to amend the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 to reauthorize the dairy business innovation initiatives; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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

S. 2268. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the Department of Veterans Affairs-Department of Defense Joint Executive Committee, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA):

S. 2269. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to permit removal of trees around electrical lines on National Forest System land without conducting a timber sale, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PADILLA, and Mr. LANKFORD):

S. 2270. A bill to establish and maintain a database within each agency for executive branch ethics records of noncareer appointees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN:

S. 2271. A bill to require community engagement and reporting relating to activities of the Department of Defense with respect to perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl substances, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. DAINES, Mr. PADILLA, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 2272. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for special base rates of pay for wildland firefighters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LUJAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2273. A bill to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Ms. LUMMIS, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 2274. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 Wyoming Street in Shoshoni, Wyoming, as the "Dessie A. Bebout Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DAINES:

S. 2275. A bill to include certain persons of the People's Republic of China on entity lists maintained by the Department of the Treasury; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. KING (for himself and Mr. CRAMER):

S. 2276. A bill to provide for opt-out sharing of information on members retiring or separating from the Armed Forces with community-based organizations and related entities; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. YOUNG, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. VANCE, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 2277. A bill to increase the benefits guaranteed in connection with certain pension plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LANKFORD (for himself and Mr. KELLY):

S. 2278. A bill to establish Image Adjudicator and Supervisory Image Adjudicator positions in the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. KAINE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 2279. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit panic defenses based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. LUJAN):

S. 2280. A bill to protect our Social Security system and improve benefits for current and future generations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LUMMIS (for herself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 2281. A bill to provide for consumer protection and responsible financial innovation, to bring crypto assets within the regulatory perimeter, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COTTON (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. BUDD, Mr. RISCH, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 2282. A bill to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to specify requirements concerning the consideration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary factors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. MORAN):

S. 2283. A bill to prohibit the procurement of certain items containing perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) or perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and prioritize the procurement of products not containing PFAS; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. OSSOFF, Mr. PAUL, Mr. LEE, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 2284. A bill to require the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHATZ (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 2285. A bill to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 2286. A bill to improve the effectiveness and performance of certain Federal financial assistance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KAINE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WARNER, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S.J. Res. 37. A joint resolution requiring the advice and consent of the Senate or an Act of Congress to suspend, terminate, or withdraw the United States from the North Atlantic Treaty and authorizing related litigation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. HICKENLOOPER):

S. Res. 291. A resolution commending and congratulating the Denver Nuggets on their championship victory in the 2023 National Basketball Association Finals; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. YOUNG):

S. Res. 292. A resolution congratulating the Fighting Irish of the University of Notre Dame men's lacrosse team for winning the 2023 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Lacrosse National Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. BRAUN, and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. Res. 293. A resolution designating June 12, 2023, as "Women Veterans Appreciation Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. WARREN):

S. Con. Res. 12. A concurrent resolution recognizing the need for a sustainable, economically viable, and fair debt restructuring plan for the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 41

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 41, a bill to reauthorize the READ Act.

S. 344

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 344, a bill to amend title 10,