

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. PADILLA, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 2387. A bill to authorize the President to declare a smoke emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 2388. A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to establish a cybersecurity circuit rider program to provide cybersecurity-related technical assistance to certain entities that operate rural water or wastewater systems; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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

S. 2389. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore lease sales under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. LUMMIS:

S. 2390. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to create additional opportunities for small refineries to generate credits under the Renewable Fuel Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 2391. A bill to reauthorize the National Flood Insurance Program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 2392. A bill to amend title VII of the Social Security Act to provide for a single point of contact at the Social Security Administration for individuals who are victims of identity theft; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROUNDS (for himself and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO):

S. 2393. A bill to establish a food and agriculture cybersecurity clearinghouse in the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. COTTON (for himself, Mr. VANCE, Mr. HAWLEY, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 2394. A bill to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to disqualify any State that discriminates against parents or guardians who oppose medical, surgical, pharmacological, psychological treatment, or clothing and social changes related to affirming the subjective claims of gender identity expressed by any minor if such claimed identity is inconsistent with such minor's biological sex from receiving funding under such Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 2395. A bill to reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. WARNOCK (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BUDD, and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 2396. A bill to provide enhanced protection against debt collector harassment of members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SCHMITT (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 2397. A bill to amend section 495 of the Public Health Service Act to require inspections of foreign laboratories conducting biomedical and behavioral research to ensure compliance with applicable animal welfare requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MARKEY:

S. 2398. A bill to require research into the health consequences of the environmental impacts of nuclear war, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mr. BUDD):

S. 2399. A bill to require the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response to conduct risk assessments and implement strategic initiatives or activities to address threats to public health and national security due to technical advancements in artificial intelligence or other emerging technology fields; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MARKEY:

S. 2400. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to prescribe a regulation reducing the risks in gene synthesis products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH:

S. 2401. A bill to amend section 504 of title 10, United States Code, to allow certain aliens to enlist in the Armed Forces and to clarify the naturalization process for such alien enlistees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. HASSAN (for herself, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. KANE, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2402. A bill to amend the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to establish a career pathways grant program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. Res. 302. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate to support Ukraine's accession into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN):

S. Res. 303. A resolution congratulating the University of Alaska Fairbanks rifle team for winning the 2023 National Collegiate Athletic Association championship, the program's 11th title overall; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 304. A resolution congratulating the University of Oklahoma softball team for winning the 2023 Women's College World Series, the seventh national title in program history; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 106

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 106, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to award grants to States to improve outreach to veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 127

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 127, a bill to prevent un-

fair and deceptive acts or practices and the dissemination of false information related to pharmacy benefit management services for prescription drugs, and for other purposes.

S. 222

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 222, a bill to require the designation of certain airports as ports of entry.

S. 359

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 359, a bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for a code of conduct for justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 448

At the request of Mr. PADILLA, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. FETTERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 448, a bill to codify the existing Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program of the National Park Service, and for other purposes.

S. 668

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BUDD) were added as cosponsors of S. 668, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins to honor and memorialize the tragedy of the Sultana steamboat explosion of 1865.

S. 788

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) were added as cosponsors of S. 788, a bill to amend the Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2013 to allow States to issue fully electronic stamps under that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 789

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. 789, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint a coin in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the United States Foreign Service and its contribution to United States diplomacy.

S. 813

At the request of Mr. LUJÁN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 813, a bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to amend regulations to allow for certain packers to have an interest in market agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 928

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 928, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prepare an annual report on suicide prevention, and for other purposes.

S. 1044

At the request of Mr. FETTERMAN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1044, a bill to improve rail safety practices and for other purposes.

S. 1183

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1183, a bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of mental or physical disability in cases of organ transplants.

S. 1271

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1271, a bill to impose sanctions with respect to trafficking of illicit fentanyl and its precursors by transnational criminal organizations, including cartels, and for other purposes.

S. 1330

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1330, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a burial and funeral allowance for certain veterans who die at home or in other settings while in receipt of hospice care furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 1352

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1352, a bill to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to improve the loan guaranty program, enhance the ability of small manufacturers to access affordable capital, and for other purposes.

S. 1375

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1375, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to apply additional payments, discounts, and other financial assistance towards the cost-sharing requirements of health insurance plans, and for other purposes.

S. 1396

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1396, a bill to improve commercialization activities in the SBIR and STTR programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1467

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1467, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a refundable tax credit against income tax for the purchase of qualified access technology for the blind.

S. 1469

At the request of Ms. ERNST, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. OSSOFF) was added as a cosponsor of S.

1469, a bill to require certification of small business concerns as small business concerns owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans in order to be counted toward goals for contract awards, and for other purposes.

S. 1527

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. WELCH) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of S. 1527, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to ensure that members of the Armed Forces and their families have access to the contraception they need in order to promote the health and readiness of all members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 1560

At the request of Mr. HAWLEY, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1560, a bill to require the development of a comprehensive rural hospital cybersecurity workforce development strategy, and for other purposes.

S. 1571

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1571, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to restore State authority to waive for certain facilities the 35-mile rule for designating critical access hospitals under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 1635

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) and the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) were added as cosponsors of S. 1635, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to take certain actions to improve the processing by the Department of Veterans Affairs of claims for disability compensation for post-traumatic stress disorder, and for other purposes.

S. 1667

At the request of Mr. PADILLA, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1667, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize lawful permanent resident status for certain college graduates who entered the United States as children, and for other purposes.

S. 1668

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VANCE) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MARSHALL) were added as cosponsors of S. 1668, a bill to improve the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network, and for other purposes.

S. 1672

At the request of Mr. HAGERTY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BUDD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1672, a bill to require officers and employees of the legislative and

executive branches to make certain disclosures related to communications with information content providers and interactive computer services regarding restricting speech.

S. 1698

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1698, a bill to require group health plans and group or individual health insurance coverage to provide coverage for over-the-counter contraceptives.

S. 1732

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1732, a bill to require application stores to publicly list the country of origin of the applications that they distribute, and to provide consumers the ability to protect themselves.

S. 1968

At the request of Mr. TUBERVILLE, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1968, a bill to modify the annual and aggregate limits of Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loans for graduate and professional students, and to terminate Federal Direct PLUS Loans for graduate and professional students, and for other purposes.

S. 2189

At the request of Ms. ERNST, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to require the publication of fossil-fuel powered travel by the President, the Vice President, and political appointees, and for other purposes.

S. 2293

At the request of Mr. PETERS, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2293, a bill to establish the Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers Council, Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers, and Artificial Intelligence Governance Boards, and for other purposes.

S. 2307

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2307, a bill to support and strengthen the fighter aircraft capabilities of the Air Force, and for other purposes.

S. 2327

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. MULLIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2327, a bill to provide support for nationals of Afghanistan who supported the United States mission in Afghanistan, adequate vetting for parolees from Afghanistan, adjustment of status for eligible individuals, and special immigrant status for at-risk Afghan allies and relatives of certain members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 2357

At the request of Mr. VANCE, the name of the Senator from Alabama

(Mr. TUBERVILLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2357, a bill to amend chapter 110 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit gender-affirming care on minors, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 32

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. HAWLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 32, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to "Small Business Lending Under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B)".

AMENDMENT NO. 142

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 142 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 180

At the request of Ms. HIRONO, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) and the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 180 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 203

At the request of Mr. WARNOCK, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 203 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 302

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) and the Senator from Wyoming (Ms. LUMMIS) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 302 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 320

At the request of Mr. OSSOFF, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 320 intended to be pro-

posed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 371

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 371 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 411

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 411 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 421

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 421 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 429

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 429 proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 430

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 430 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 470

At the request of Mr. RISCH, the names of the Senator from North Da-

kota (Mr. HOEVEN) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 470 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 475

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 475 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 484

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 484 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 494

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 494 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 501

At the request of Ms. ERNST, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 501 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 509

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 509 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 510

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 510 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 521

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 521 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 523

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 523 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 536

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KELLY), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. FETTERMAN), the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. WELCH), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJÁN), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLO-

BUCHAR) and the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 536 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 537

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. WELCH), the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO), the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING), the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH), the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJÁN) and the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 537 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 563

At the request of Mr. ROUNDS, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 563 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 616

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. RICKETTS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 616 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 628

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from Arizona

(Ms. SINEMA) and the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 628 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 638

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 638 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 672

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 672 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 675

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. MULLIN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 675 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 789

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 789 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 794

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 794 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 819

At the request of Mr. RISCH, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 819 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 820

At the request of Mr. RISCH, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 820 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 826

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 826 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 828

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 828 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 931

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 931 intended to be proposed to 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 933

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 933 intended to be proposed to 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.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. PADILLA, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 2381. A bill to require the search and retention of certain records with respect to conducting criminal background checks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Madam President, today I am reintroducing legislation that would help bolster the Nation's background check system for firearms.

Under current law, incomplete background checks must be removed from the FBI's systems if they remain unresolved beyond the 88-day mark. As a result, countless firearms have been sold without completed background checks. This poses a grave danger because it allows individuals who we know are dangerous to purchase firearms.

In recent years, gun sales across America have dramatically increased. In 2022, about 17.4 million guns were sold in the United States. Unfortunately, this surge in purchases has overwhelmed our already-strained background check system.

While the vast majority of background checks are promptly completed within 3 days, the sheer volume of checks means that some checks will necessarily be delayed—and sometimes significantly delayed.

According to data compiled by NBC News, between January 2020 and November 2021, the FBI was unable to resolve 734,604 background checks within the current 88-day window. As a result of these delays, the FBI was required to wipe the incomplete checks from their systems. Since these background checks were never completed, it is impossible to know how many of these firearms were transferred to purchasers who were prohibited by law from owning a gun.

Congress must act to protect public safety by ensuring that all background checks are completed.

This bill would do exactly that. It would grant the FBI the authority to retain gun purchase records until a background check is fully completed. Put simply, this bill will let the FBI do its job.

I thank Senators BLUMENTHAL, BOOKER, MENENDEZ, MURPHY, PADILLA, and WHITEHOUSE for their support, and I urge the rest of my colleagues to support the bill as well.

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

S. 2384. A bill to provide lawful permanent resident status for certain ad-

vanced STEM degree holders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DURBIN. Madam 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. 2384

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 “Keep STEM Talent Act of 2023”.

SEC. 2. VISA REQUIREMENTS.

(a) GRADUATE DEGREE VISA REQUIREMENTS.—To be approved for or maintain non-immigrant status under section 101(a)(15)(F) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(F)), a student seeking to pursue an advanced degree in a STEM field (as defined in section 201(b)(1)(F)(ii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(b)(1)(F)(ii))) (as amended by section 3(a)) for a degree at the master's level or higher at a United States institution of higher education (as defined in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a))) must apply for admission prior to beginning such advanced degree program.

(b) STRENGTHENED VETTING PROCESS.—The Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of State shall establish procedures to ensure that aliens described in subsection (a) are admissible pursuant to section 212(a)(3)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(3)(A)). Such procedures shall ensure that such aliens seeking admission from within the United States undergo verification of academic credentials, comprehensive background checks, and interviews in a manner equivalent to that of an alien seeking admission from outside of the United States. To the greatest extent practicable, the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of State shall also take steps to ensure that such applications for admission are processed in a timely manner to allow the pursuit of graduate education.

(c) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of State shall submit an annual report to the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives detailing the implementation and effectiveness of the requirement for foreign graduate students pursuing advanced degrees in STEM fields to seek admission prior to pursuing a graduate degree program. The report shall include data on visa application volumes, processing times, security outcomes, and economic impacts.

SEC. 3. LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS FOR CERTAIN ADVANCED STEM DEGREE HOLDERS.

(a) ALIENS NOT SUBJECT TO DIRECT NUMERICAL LIMITATIONS.—Section 201(b)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(b)(1)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(F)(i) Aliens who—

“(I) have earned a degree in a STEM field at the master's level or higher while physically present in the United States from a United States institution of higher education (as defined in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a))) accredited by an accrediting entity recognized by the Department of Education;

“(II) have an offer of employment from, or are employed by, a United States employer to perform work that is directly related to