

Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “New Hampshire: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions” (FRL No. 11231-02-R1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1800. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Part D Plans Generally Include Drugs Commonly Used by Dual-Eligible Enrollees: 2023”; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1801. A communication from the Branch Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Additional Guidance on the Transition from Interbank Offer Rates to Other Reference Rates with Respect to the interest Rates of a Foreign Bank” (RIN1545-BO91) (TD 9976) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 27, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1802. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare Program; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal Fiscal Year 2024 and Updates to the IRF Quality Reporting Program” (RIN0938-AV04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1803. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare Program; FY 2024 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update, Hospice Conditions of Participation Updates, Hospice Quality Reporting Program Requirements, and Hospice Certifying Physician Provider Enrollment Requirements” (RIN0938-AV10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1804. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare Program; FY 2024 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System - Rate Update” (RIN0938-AV06) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1805. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Policy Changes and Fiscal Year 2024 Rates; Quality Programs and Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program Requirements for Eligible Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals; Rural Emergency Hospital and Physician-Owned Hospital Requirements; and Provider and Supplier Disclosure of Ownership; and Medicare Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Payments; Counting Certain Days Associated with Section 1115 Demonstration in the Medicaid Fraction” (RIN0938-AV08) (RIN0938-AV17) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1806. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of intent to provide assistance to Ukraine, including for self-defense and border security operations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1807. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Determination Under Section 506(a) (1) and Section 614(a) (1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (FAA) to Provide Military Assistance to Ukraine”; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1808. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of intent to provide assistance to Ukraine, including for self-defense and border security operations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1809. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2023-0052 - 2023-0061); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1810. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 27, 2023; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1811. A communication from the Director, Office of Labor-Management Standards, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revision of the Form LM-10 Employer Report” (RIN1245-AA13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 27, 2023; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1812. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Privacy Act; Implementation” (RIN0970-AC92) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 27, 2023; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1813. A communication from the Secretary of Labor and the Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation’s fiscal year 2022 Actuarial Evaluation of the Expected Operations and Status of the PBGC Funds received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1814. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an alternative plan for pay adjustments for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems in January 2024; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1815. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-154, “Rent Stabilized Housing Inflation Protection Temporary Amendment Act of 2023”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1816. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-155, “Medical Cannabis Manufacturer Clarification Temporary Amend-

ment Act of 2023”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1817. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-156, “Law Enforcement Arrest Authority Technical Correction Temporary Amendment Act of 2023”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1818. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-157, “Special Education for young Adults in the Custody of the Department of Corrections Temporary Amendment Act of 2023”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1819. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-158, “Office of Administrative Hearings Jurisdiction Temporary Amendment Act of 2023”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1820. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-159, “Washington Wizards Motor Vehicle Identification Tags Amendment Act of 2023”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1821. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-160, “Pride Plates Amendment Act of 2023”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SANDERS, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

S. 1852. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize a sickle cell disease prevention and treatment demonstration program.

By Mr. SANDERS, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2333. A bill to reauthorize certain programs under the Public Health Service Act with respect to public health security and all-hazards preparedness and response, and for other purposes.

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. CASSIDY:

S. 2727. A bill to preclude the Department of Labor from allowing the Deputy Secretary to serve as the Secretary of Labor indefinitely; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WYDEN, and Ms. WARREN):

S. 2728. A bill to encourage reduction of disposable plastic products in units of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KAINE:

S. 2729. A bill to provide for a period of continuing appropriations in the event of a lapse in appropriations under the normal appropriations process, and to prohibit consideration of other matters in the Senate if appropriations are not enacted; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 2730. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish a national usury rate for consumer credit transactions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Ms. SMITH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. KING):

S. 2731. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the deduction for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2732. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the sale or other disposition of any firearm or ammunition to any person who has been convicted of a violent misdemeanor, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 2733. A bill to address the behavioral health workforce shortages through support for peer support specialists, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 2734. A bill to amend the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 to reauthorize the emergency and transitional pet shelter and housing assistance grant program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2735. A bill to clarify that section 8526(7) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 does not apply with respect to the use of funds for activities carried out under programs authorized by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 that are otherwise permissible under such programs and that provide students with educational enrichment activities and instruction, such as archery, hunter safety education, or culinary arts; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PAUL:

S.J. Res. 44. A joint resolution directing the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Niger that have not been authorized by Congress; 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. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 329. A resolution to authorize testimony and representation in United States v. Horn; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 330. A resolution expressing support for the goals and ideals of National Child Abuse Prevention Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. TILLIS, Mr.

TUBERVILLE, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. COTTON, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mrs. HYDE-SMITH):

S. Res. 331. A resolution designating August 2023 as "National Catfish Month"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 76

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. HAWLEY) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CRAMER) were added as cosponsors of S. 76, a bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to furnish tailored information to expecting mothers, and for other purposes.

S. 308

At the request of Mr. ROMNEY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VANCE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 308, a bill to end the treatment of the People's Republic of China as a developing nation.

S. 359

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors 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. 380

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 380, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to punish the distribution of fentanyl resulting in death as felony murder.

S. 503

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 503, a bill to establish the Space National Guard.

S. 566

At the request of Mr. LANKFORD, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 566, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify and extend the deduction for charitable contributions for individuals not itemizing deductions.

S. 610

At the request of Ms. SINEMA, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. ROMNEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 610, a bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to modify the frequency of board of directors meetings, and for other purposes.

S. 740

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the names of the Senator from Rhode Is-

land (Mr. REED) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 740, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to reinstate criminal penalties for persons charging veterans unauthorized fees relating to claims for benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 838

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 838, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to mental health services under the Medicare program.

S. 949

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. WELCH), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) were added as cosponsors of S. 949, a bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to transition the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to the supplemental nutrition assistance program, and for other purposes.

S. 976

At the request of Mr. YOUNG, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 976, a bill to establish and expand child care programs for parents who work nontraditional hours, and for other purposes.

S. 1110

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BUDD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1110, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to rebase the calculation of payments for sole community hospitals and Medicare-dependent hospitals, and for other purposes.

S. 1128

At the request of Ms. HASSAN, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1128, a bill to establish special rules relating to information provided with respect to drug applications concerning method of use patents.

S. 1273

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1273, a bill to require a study on Holocaust education efforts of States, local educational agencies, and public elementary and secondary schools, and for other purposes.

S. 1307

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1307, a bill to ensure that students in schools have a right to read, and for other purposes.

S. 1367

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr.