

I close by encouraging all my colleagues to pass this bipartisan CRA resolution and support those Americans who otherwise would not be able to own a business without the franchise model. Let's stop this harmful overreach that only hurts jobs and economic development in our communities and denies opportunities for Americans seeking a better life.

With that, I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Kansas.

Mr. MARSHALL. Madam President, I want to thank also the Senator from the great State of Louisiana for his leadership on this very important issue.

The joint employer rule from the NLRB will crush the franchise model as we know it. It is going to crash the model of business that brought financial freedom to millions of Americans.

What I love about the franchise models everywhere I go, visiting with these owners—it has been so helpful for minorities, for veterans, for women. These franchises provide a model, the framework on how to be successful, but this new rule from the NLRB would destroy the model as we know it.

Now, I am not sure that Kansas had the first franchise, but in my mind, they did. I remember when Pizza Hut started. It was started by some students out of Wichita State University delivering pizzas to their fellow students. Not long after that came Rent-A-Center, Freddy's Frozen Custard, Goodcents subs, and many, many more. And that story has been repeated all across the country. These businesses started off small but through franchising were able to grow into national successes. Today, there are 7,500 franchises employing 75,000 employees across the State.

Now, again, everywhere I go across the State of Kansas, people want to talk about inflation, but what is becoming more prominent, especially to a business owner, is regulations, just this overburden of regulations that is keeping us all down and driving up the cost of doing business. More regulations means more money, more cost to that owner.

The question I get from folks is, Why does the White House want to fix something that is not broken? Listen, the system is working just fine right now. So why are we trying to fix it?

I remember President Reagan talking about the 10 words every American hates to hear: "I'm from the government, and I'm here to help you." We need less regulations, not more regulations.

This definition is overly broad, and this rule threatens the success stories for all those happy endings, for all those American dreams that have become true. Instead of being independent business owners, franchisees will be reduced to middle managers—killing jobs, killing income as well. This rule attempts to trigger joint employer status if two employers share

the essential terms and conditions of employment but then talks about indirect control as one of these terms and conditions. So instead of making overly broad and burdensome rules, we should pass bills like our own Save Local Business Act, which provides clear and consistent standards for treating joint employment status.

I ask my colleagues to join us in supporting this CRA. This rule from the Federal Government is a solution in search of a problem.

I yield the floor. The joint resolution was ordered to a third reading and was read the third time.

VOTE ON H. J. RES. 98

PRESIDING OFFICER. The joint resolution having been read the third time, the question is, Shall the joint resolution pass?

Mr. MARSHALL. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) is necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE).

Further, if present and voting: the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE) would have voted "yea."

The result was announced—yeas 50, nays 48, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 122 Leg.]

YEAS—50

Barrasso	Graham	Ricketts
Blackburn	Grassley	Risch
Boozman	Hagerty	Romney
Braun	Hoeven	Rounds
Britt	Hyde-Smith	Rubio
Budd	Johnson	Schmitt
Capito	Kennedy	Scott (FL)
Cassidy	King	Scott (SC)
Collins	Lankford	Sinema
Cornyn	Lummis	Sullivan
Cotton	Manchin	Thune
Cramer	Marshall	Tillis
Crapo	McConnell	Tuberville
Cruz	Moran	Vance
Daines	Mullin	Wicker
Ernst	Murkowski	Young
Fischer	Paul	

NAYS—48

Baldwin	Hassan	Reed
Bennet	Hawley	Rosen
Blumenthal	Heinrich	Sanders
Booker	Hickenlooper	Schatz
Brown	Hirono	Schumer
Butler	Kaine	Shaheen
Cantwell	Kelly	Smith
Cardin	Klobuchar	Stabenow
Carper	Lujan	Tester
Casey	Markey	Van Hollen
Coons	Merkley	Warner
Cortez Masto	Murphy	Warnock
Duckworth	Murray	Warren
Durbin	Ossoff	Welch
Fetterman	Padilla	Whitehouse
Gillibrand	Peters	Wyden

NOT VOTING—2

Lee
Menendez

The joint resolution (H.J. Res. 98) was passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. OSSOFF). The Senator from New Hampshire.

PROHIBITING THE USE OF FUNDS TO IMPLEMENT, ADMINISTER, OR ENFORCE CERTAIN RULES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY—MOTION TO PROCEED

Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I move to proceed to Calendar No. 350, S. 4072.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to Calendar No. 350, S. 4072, a bill to prohibit the use of funds to implement, administer, or enforce certain rules of the Environmental Protection Agency.

RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED TODAY

Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the en bloc consideration of the following Senate resolutions: S. Res. 634, S. Res. 635, and S. Res. 636.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolutions en bloc.

Ms. HASSAN. I ask unanimous consent that the resolutions be agreed to; that the preambles be agreed to; and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, all en bloc.

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

The resolutions were agreed to.

The preambles were agreed to.

(The resolutions, with their preambles, are printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Amred Services, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 117-263, appoints the following individual to serve as a member of the National Commission on the Future of the Navy: Harlan Kenneth Ullman of the District of Columbia.

MORNING BUSINESS

NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the contributions of economic development organizations and economic development professionals in Montana and across the Nation in honor of National Economic Development Week.

Every May, we recognize the valuable work these men and women do to create high-quality, good-paying jobs for folks across the country. Our economic developers are essential in building and strengthening many of the building blocks that our communities depend on and are critically important to achieving a thriving economy.

And it is not just about creating jobs. Our economic developers are a vital

piece of the puzzle for workforce development and talent attraction, small business development, infrastructure and broadband development, predisaster mitigation and postdisaster recovery, and much more.

This Economic Development Week, I want to thank all of our economic developers in Montana and across the country for the hard work you do to keep our communities strong, and I encourage all of my colleagues to celebrate alongside me.

Thank you, and happy Economic Development Week.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO COLONEL WILLIAM J. CAVANAUGH

• Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I rise to honor COL William J. Cavanaugh, his contributions to the Air Force Research Lab at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, OH, and his distinguished 31-year service in the U.S. Army. Colonel Cavanaugh was instrumental in the design and architecture of the AFRL Bio Acoustics Lab anechoic chamber. Seventy years after its completion, the anechoic chamber is still used today and the research done works to save the lives of our servicemembers on the battlefield. The American Institute of Physics featured Colonel Cavanaugh in their oral history and highlighted Colonel Cavanaugh's far-reaching impacts on the scientific community.

In December of 2022, the Ohio Legislature's 134th Generally Assembly adopted HCR 32 to recognize "Colonel William J. Cavanaugh for his contribution to the design and architecture of the United States Air Force Research Lab Bio Acoustics Laboratory, and for his outstanding and enduring service to our nation."

It is fitting to honor Colonel Cavanaugh for his lasting contributions that have saved the lives of our men and women in uniform. Sites from the National Veterans Memorial and Museum to the National Museum of the United States Air Force have all commemorated Colonel Cavanaugh and his work. As we expand and support the vital work that Ohioans continue to do at Wright-Patt and the Air Force Research Lab, it is important to ensure that future generations learn about past leaders, including Colonel Cavanaugh, and the difference they made for our State and our country.

Today, I join a grateful State and a grateful nation in thanking Colonel Cavanaugh for his dedication and service to Ohio and our Nation.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:43 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with amendment, in

which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S 2051. An act to reauthorize the Missing Children's Assistance Act, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1246. An act to authorize leases of up to 99 years for land held in trust for federally recognized Indian Tribes.

H.R. 1792. An act to amend the South Pacific Tuna Act of 1988, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1829. An act to require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the Pleasant Valley Ranger District Administrative Site to Gila County, Arizona.

H.R. 4389. An act to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to make improvements to that Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6233. An act to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to authorize partnerships between States and nongovernmental entities for the purpose of reclaiming and restoring land and water resources adversely affected by coal mining activities before August 3, 1977, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6443. An act to take certain land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Jamul Indian Village of California Tribe, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6492. An act to improve recreation opportunities on, and facilitate greater access to, Federal public land, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6655. An act to amend and reauthorize the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1246. An act to authorize leases of up to 99 years for land held in trust for federally recognized Indian Tribes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 1792. An act to amend the South Pacific Tuna Act of 1988, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 4389. An act to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to make improvements to that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 6233. An act to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to authorize partnerships between States and nongovernmental entities for the purpose of reclaiming and restoring land and water resources adversely affected by coal mining activities before August 3, 1977, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 6443. An act to take certain land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Jamul Indian Village of California Tribe, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 6655. An act to amend and reauthorize the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 1829. An act to require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the Pleasant Valley Ranger District Administrative Site to Gila County, Arizona.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3963. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Triclopyr; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 11763-01-OCSPP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2024; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3964. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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EC-3966. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "DoD Freedom of Information Act Program; Amendment; Correction" (RIN0790-AK54) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2024; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3967. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment" (RIN0790-AL72) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2024; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3968. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act of 1974; Implementation" (RIN0790-AL69) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2024; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3969. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Transfer and Adoption of Military Animals (DFARS Case 2020-D021)" (RIN0750-AL07) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2024; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3970. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Identification Cards for Members of the Uniformed Services, Their Dependents, and Other Eligible Individuals" (RIN0790-AJ37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2024; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3971. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Legislative Affairs, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection,