

in this practice in Alabama, going to great and unethical lengths both to get their case steered to a particular liberal judge and to strip it from a perceived conservative.

Importantly, when these leftwing groups were caught red-handed, it was none other than President Obama's White House Counsel himself who appeared in court to defend them in their disciplinary case. I can't think of a better example of the liberal attitude of "judge shopping for me but not for thee."

Well, the SHOP Act stops all of it. It applies everywhere regardless of ideology and addresses the root causes of the issue. And I invite my Democratic colleagues to join our bill and further strengthen public confidence in our Federal judiciary.

VOTE EXPLANATION

Ms. HIRONO. Madam President, I was absent for one rollcall vote April 11, 2024. On April 11, had I been present, I would have voted yea on the motion to proceed to Executive Session for the consideration of Executive Calendar No. 478 Ramona Villagomez Manglona, of the Northern Mariana Islands to be Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands for a term of ten years, rollcall vote No. 123.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF WACO DINER

Ms. COLLINS. Madam President, in April of 1924, Nelson Watts and Ralph Colwell combined forces and syllables from their last names and opened the WaCo Diner in Eastport, ME. One hundred years later, the WaCo is still going strong as the oldest diner in the State of Maine, proudly serving great food and friendship in America's easternmost city.

The WaCo began life as a lunch wagon converted from a traveling photographer's studio. With Eastport hosting more than a dozen sardine factories, a deepwater seaport, and visitors arriving by sea and rail to enjoy the very best of Maine's rocky coast, the new establishment thrived, the wheels were removed, and the wagon was boxed in to make a permanent structure.

Under a succession of owners over the years, the WaCo has expanded from a narrow lunch counter to a lovely restaurant with a spacious dining room. From the outdoor deck overlooking Passamaquoddy Bay, patrons enjoy beautiful views of Canada's Campobello Island and a passing parade of marine activity, from cargo vessels, cruise ships, and fishing boats to whales, porpoises, and seals.

The current owners, Mike Del Papa and Matt Boyle, bought the WaCo in 2022, after Mike's dad Bob retired at the age of 83 after many years of operating and growing the business. Mike and Matt both brought restaurant operations, general business, and cus-

tomers service experiences with them, and have invested significant money, time and energy into the equipment and facilities to enhance the atmosphere and efficiency, while continuing to offer amazing meals and a great customer experience, led by server Tammy McPhail, a 20-plus-year veteran, and chef Steve Sonner. In addition to providing good jobs year-round, the WaCo brings back summer staff each tourism season.

The WaCo is a mainstay, not only in Eastport but also throughout the Downeast region, welcoming locals and visitors alike. Among the many themed evenings featuring special creations, a local favorite is the "Dry Fish Dinner"—prepared Robert Patterson's Way," a tribute to the late, beloved owner/chef of the New Friendly Restaurant in the neighboring town of Perry.

The WaCo is dedicated to supporting other Maine businesses. When possible, they source seafood locally. All draft beers are from Maine breweries, and potato chips are from Maine's Fox Family in Mapleton. Several recipes utilize Raye's Mustard, made in Eastport at the last remaining traditional stone-ground mustard in North America, while others use Wyman's wild Maine blueberries, harvested from the barrens of the surrounding countryside.

In addition to dedication to excellence, the WaCo carries on another great tradition of our State's small business community: giving back. Last year, the WaCo served a free Thanksgiving dinner to more than 150 people from the Downeast community and, at Christmastime, a free pancake breakfast with Santa for children. Through charitable events in 2023, the WaCo and its customers raised more than \$5,000 to support Sarah's House of Maine, a cancer hospitality house near the Lafayette Family Cancer Center in Brewer, saving rural patients and their families hours of travel for treatments.

The WaCo Diner in Eastport is a shining example of the entrepreneurial spirit and community pride that define the State of Maine. I congratulate the entire WaCo team on this landmark anniversary and wish them much success in the years to come.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE TENNESSEE NATIONAL GUARD

• Mrs. BLACKBURN. Madam President, I rise today to congratulate the Tennessee National Guard on the opening of the Major General Terry M. Haston National Guard Armory in Morriston, TN.

Since its founding in 1887, the Tennessee National Guard has upheld the Volunteer State's distinguished record of military service, fighting to preserve our Nation's security, and aiding our State in times of emergency. The

Major General Terry M. Haston National Guard Armory—with over 30,000 square feet of space dedicated to administrative, training, supply, and storage functions—will do so much to honor this tradition by strengthening the Guard's capabilities for Federal missions and bolstering their capacity to respond effectively to local emergencies and disasters.

This facility honors a great Tennessean and a great guardsman. For nearly a decade, MG Terry M. Haston served as the 75th adjutant general for the Tennessee National Guard, strengthening the Guard's military readiness and operational efficiency. Among his many honors, General Haston received the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star Medal.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Stringer, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:43 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3250. An act to recognize the Margaret Woodbury Strong Museum in Rochester, New York.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. PETERS, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 2754. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2395 East Del Mar Boulevard in Laredo, Texas, as the "Lance Corporal David Lee Espinoza, Lance Corporal Juan Rodrigo Rodriguez & Sergeant Roberto Arizola Jr. Post Office Building".

S. 3851. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 90 McCamly Street South in Battle Creek, Michigan, as the "Sojourner Truth Post Office".

H.R. 3865. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 South 8th Street in Lebanon, Pennsylvania, as the "Lieutenant William D. Lebo Post Office Building".

H.R. 3947. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 859 North State Road 21 in Melrose, Florida, as the "Pamela Jane Rock Post Office Building".

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF
COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. DURBIN for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sanket Jayshukh Bulsara, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Dena M. Coggins, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California.

Eric C. Schulte, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota.

Camela C. Theeler, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota.

David O. Barnett, Jr., of New Mexico, to be United States Marshal for the District of New Mexico for the term of four years.

Clinton J. Fuchs, of Maryland, to be United States Marshal for the District of Maryland for the term of four years.

(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 Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 4107. A bill to require Amtrak to report to Congress information on Amtrak compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 with respect to trains and stations; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 4108. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide a process to lock and suspend domain names used to facilitate the online sale of drugs illegally, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. WARREN (for herself, Ms. ERNST, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. KING, Mr. KAINE, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. MULLIN):

S. 4109. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to clarify roles and responsibilities within the Department of Defense relating to subconcussive and concussive brain injuries and to improve brain health initiatives of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. RISCH, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. BENNET, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. ROUNDS, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 4110. A bill to reauthorize the African Growth and Opportunity Act; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 4111. A bill to provide for a study by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine on the prevalence and mortality of cancer among individuals who served as active duty aircrew in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MARKEY, and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 4112. A bill to provide protections from prosecution for drug possession to individ-

uals who seek medical assistance when witnessing or experiencing an overdose, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 4113. A bill to allow States to require payment of State fees related to boating as a condition for issuance of a vessel number and to collect such fees in conjunction with other fees related to vessel numbering; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. 4114. A bill to authorize a higher Federal share for emergency relief funds for the reconstruction of the Francis Scott Key Bridge located in Baltimore City and Baltimore and Anne Arundel Counties, Maryland, that collapsed on March 26, 2024, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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

S. 4115. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit graduate medical schools from receiving Federal financial assistance if such schools adopt certain policies and requirements relating to diversity, equity, and inclusion; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Ms. SMITH, Ms. SINEMA, and Mr. FETTERMAN):

S. 4116. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to allow members of the Selected Reserve and National Guard holding employment within the Federal Government the choice between military and civilian healthcare plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. BUTLER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 4117. A bill to require the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to establish a Climate Change Education Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. BALDWIN:

S. 4118. A bill to establish the Open Translation Center, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MARSHALL (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. LEE, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. MULLIN, and Mr. RICKETTS):

S. J. Res. 71. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Standards of Performance for New, Reconstructed, and Modified Sources and Emissions Guidelines for Existing Sources: Oil and Natural Gas Sector Climate Review"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND
SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. REED, Ms. BUTLER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. KING, and Mr. PADILLA):

S. Res. 637. A resolution expressing support for the staff of public, school, academic, and special libraries in the United States and the essential services those libraries provide to communities, recognizing the need for funding commensurate with the broad scope of social service and community supports provided by libraries, preserving the right of all citizens of the United States to freely access information and resources in their communities, supporting a strong union voice for library workers, and defending the civil rights of library staff; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 638. A resolution calling for the immediate release of Ryan Corbett, a United States citizen who was wrongfully detained by the Taliban on August 10, 2022, and condemning the wrongful detention of Americans by the Taliban; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. Res. 639. A resolution expressing support for the designation of the month of April 2024 as "Parkinson's Awareness Month"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 711

At the request of Mr. BUDD, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 711, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the invaluable service that working dogs provide to society.

S. 738

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 738, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow workers an above-the-line deduction for union dues and expenses and to allow a miscellaneous itemized deduction for workers for all unreimbursed expenses incurred in the trade or business of being an employee.

S. 799

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 799, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare coverage for all physicians' services furnished by doctors of chiropractic within the scope of their license, and for other purposes.

S. 1064

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1064, a bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out a national project to prevent and cure Parkinson's, to be known as the National Parkinson's Project, and for other purposes.

S. 1303

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1303, a bill to require sellers of event tickets to disclose comprehensive information to consumers about ticket prices and related fees.