

improvements to the child tax credit, to provide tax incentives to promote economic growth, to provide special rules for the taxation of certain residents of Taiwan with income from sources within the United States, to provide tax relief with respect to certain Federal disasters, to make improvements to the low-income housing tax credit, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title I, insert the following:
SEC. 106. INCREASE IN ELIGIBILITY FOR PREMIUM TAX CREDIT.

(a) **ELIGIBILITY.**—
(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Subparagraph (A) of section 36B(c)(1) is amended by striking “but does not exceed 400 percent”.

(2) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Paragraph (1) of section 36B(c) is amended by striking subparagraph (E).

(b) **APPLICABLE PERCENTAGES.**—
(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Subparagraph (A) of section 36B(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(A) **APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.**—The applicable percentage for any taxable year shall be the percentage such that the applicable percentage for any taxpayer whose household income is within an income tier specified in the following table shall increase, on a sliding scale in a linear manner, from the initial premium percentage to the final premium percentage specified in such table for such income tier:

“In the case of household income (expressed as a percent of poverty line) within the following income tier:	The initial premium percentage is—	The final premium percentage is—
Up to 150 percent	0	0
150 percent up to 200 percent	0	2.0
200 percent up to 250 percent	2.0	4.0
250 percent up to 300 percent	4.0	6.0
300 percent up to 400 percent	6.0	8.5
400 percent and up	8.5	8.5.”.

(2) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO AFFORDABILITY OF COVERAGE.**—

(A) Subparagraph (C) of section 36B(c)(2) of such Code is amended by striking clause (iv).

(B) Paragraph (4) of section 36B(c) of such Code is amended by striking subparagraph (F).

(c) **LIMITATION ON RECAPTURE.**—Clause (i) of section 36B(f)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking “400 percent” and inserting “800 percent”;

(2) by striking the period at the end of the last row of the table; and

(3) by adding at the end of the table the following new rows:

“At least 400 percent but less than 600 percent	\$3,500
At least 600 percent but less than 800 percent	\$4,500.”.

(d) **PREMIUM COST STANDARD.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The following provisions of section 36B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 are each amended by striking “silver” each place it appears and inserting “gold”:

(A) Paragraphs (2)(B)(i), (3)(B), and (3)(C) of subsection (b).

(B) The heading of subparagraph (B) of subsection (b)(3).

(C) Subsection (c)(4)(C)(i)(I).

(2) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO REDUCED COST-SHARING.**—Section 1402(b)(1) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18071(b)(1)) is amended by striking “silver” and inserting “gold”.

(e) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2024.

SEC. 107. ENHANCEMENTS FOR REDUCED COST-SHARING.

(a) **MODIFICATION OF AMOUNT.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1402(c)(2) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18071(c)(2)) is amended—

(A) by striking “150 percent” in subparagraph (A) and inserting “200 percent”;

(B) by striking “94 percent” in subparagraph (A) and inserting “95 percent”;

(C) by striking “150 percent but not more than 200 percent” in subparagraph (B) and inserting “200 percent but not more than 300 percent”;

(D) by striking “87 percent” in subparagraph (B) and inserting “90 percent”;

(E) by striking “200 percent” in subparagraph (C) and inserting “300 percent”;

(F) by striking “250 percent” in subparagraph (C) and inserting “400 percent”;

(G) by striking “73 percent” in subparagraph (C) and inserting “85 percent”.

(2) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Clause (i) of section 1402(c)(1)(B) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 18071(c)(1)(B)) is amended to read as follows:

“(i) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall ensure the reduction under this paragraph shall not result in an increase in the plan’s share of the total allowed costs of benefits provided under the plan above—

“(I) 95 percent in the case of an eligible insured described in paragraph (2)(A);

“(II) 90 percent in the case of an eligible insured described in paragraph (2)(B); and

“(III) 85 percent in the case of an eligible insured described in paragraph (2)(C).”.

(3) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by this subsection shall apply to plan years beginning after December 31, 2024.

(b) **FUNDING.**—Section 1402 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18071) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(g) **FUNDING.**—Out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, there are appropriated to the Secretary such sums as may be necessary for payments under this section.”.

SA 3215. Mr. WELCH (for Mr. HEINRICH (for himself and Mr. RISCH)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2781, to promote remediation of abandoned hardrock mines, and for other purposes; as follows:

In section 4(s)(2)(A), strike “Energy” and insert “Agriculture”.

In section 5(b)(4), insert “and” after the semicolon.

In section 5(b), strike paragraphs (5) and (6).

In section 5(b), redesignate paragraph (7) as paragraph (5).

In section 5, strike subsection (c) and insert the following:

(c) **UNUSED FUNDS.**—Amounts in each Fund not currently needed to carry out this Act shall be maintained as readily available or on deposit.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. CARDIN. Madam President, I have nine requests for committees to meet during today’s session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Sen-

ate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today’s session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet in executive session during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 10 a.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 11 a.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CHEMICAL SAFETY, WASTE MANAGEMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND REGULATORY OVERSIGHT

The Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight of the Committee on Environment and Public Works is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. WYDEN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that Janice Lepore, a fellow in our office, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the Congress.

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

Mr. CASEY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that Ellen Urheim of my staff be granted floor privileges for the duration of today's proceedings.

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

Mr. KENNEDY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the following people, who are my colleagues from my office for the summer, be granted floor privileges until August 2, 2024, and I am going to read their names. They are Kelly Weinstock, Zane Jones, Grayson Noles, Thomas Rhymes, Brooklyn Hemphill, Camryn Runyan, and Tim Breslin.

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

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2024

Mr. WELCH. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 11 a.m. on Thursday, August 1; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; that following the conclusion of morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the Shea nomination, postcloture; further, that all time be considered expired at 11:30 a.m.; and that if the nomination is confirmed, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; further, that upon disposition of the Shea nomination, the Senate resume legislative session to resume consideration of the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 349, H.R. 7024; that the cloture motion with respect to the motion to proceed ripen at 1:45 p.m.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. WELCH. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:41 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, August 1, 2024, at 11 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

THOMAS B. CHAPMAN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2028. (REAPPOINTMENT)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LISA M. RE, OF MARYLAND, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, VICE PEGGY E. GUSTAFSON, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ANGELA M. KERWIN, OF PENNSYLVANIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BRUNEI DARUSSALAM.

THE JUDICIARY

JAMES GRAHAM LAKE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR A TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, VICE JENNIFER M. ANDERSON, RETIRING.

NICHOLAS GEORGE MIRANDA, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, VICE RUPA RANGA PUTTAGUNTA, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

KRISTI ZULEIKA LANE SCOTT, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY, VICE ROBERT P. STORCH, RESIGNED.

THE JUDICIARY

ANTHONY J. BRINDISI, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, VICE DAVID N. HURD, RETIRING.

TIFFANY RENE JOHNSON, OF GEORGIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA, VICE STEVE C. JONES, RETIRING.

KELI MARIE NEARY, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA, VICE CHRISTOPHER C. CONNER, RETIRING.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. JOHN M. CUSHING

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be brigadier general

COL. JONATHAN C. TAYLOR

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant colonel

CHELSEY D. MCMASTERS

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS CHAPLAINS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 7064:

To be lieutenant colonel

ERIK C. ALFSEN
TAIWO A. AROWOSEGBE
JON R. BAILEY
DEXTER J. BROCK
JORGE H. BUDEZ
DAVID CHRISTENSEN
ROBERT ELKOWITZ
LUDOVIC O. FOYOU
JOHN B. GABRIEL
ROBERT GINSBURG
BRIAN T. HARGIS
OYEDEJI IDOWU
MICHAEL J. JOHNSON
CARSON M. JUMP
RAJA KANDANADA
MICHAEL J. KROG
JONATHAN C. LEE
JESSE MCCULLOUGH
JONATHAN R. MCPHERSON
MATTHEW T. MILLER
HOCHANG MIN
PATRICIA G. NICHOLS
MARK E. NIKONT
JUSTIN G. PICKERING
THEODORE F. RANDALL
HANS C. RUSKA
FRANTZO SAINT-VAL
RUBEN G. SALDANA
MATTHEW F. SHENTON
PETER P. STONE
STEPHEN C. TAYLOR
KEVIN W. TRIMBLE
KIRBY L. VIDRINE
MATTHEW W. WEATHERS
MARK D. WORRELL
JOSHUA J. ZIEGLER

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS CHAPLAINS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 7064:

To be major

SIDNEY B. AARON
FORTUNE I. AISABOKHAE
JACQUES ALBERTYN
ANDREW H. ALTERMAN

ANDREW S. AMES
RALPH M. ANDERSON
DANNY R. BLACK
PHILIP S. BOOTH
TAMMY T. BRIGGS
SCOTT L. BRITTON
MARCIN J. BULINSKI
KEVIN CALMES
JUAN C. CASTROBUITRAGO
JOHN S. COCHRAN
TRAVIS J. DALSI
MARCUS R. DAVEE
MARC A. DELUCA
NICHOLAS J. GONZALEZ
JOHN T. HANNAH
KENNETH R. HARRISON
KURT E. HARTLEY
RYAN E. HICKS
BENJAMIN D. HOEMANN
OLEKSANDR S. ISHCHUK
SIMON M. JACKSON
STEPHEN G. JIMENEZ
MICHAEL D. KAYLE
GREGORY J. LASKOWSKI
NHAN A. LE
KISKAMA D. LEMOR
VICTOR A. MATOS
DALE D. MCKEE
SHAKEER A. MCNAIR
COURTNEY J. MERCHANT
GERALD D. MILLER
HAROLD W. MORRIS
BENJAMIN J. NEWLAND
DUNG V. NGUYEN
BOBBY G. NIEMTSCHK
KIMBERLY M. NORRIS
OPEYEMI S. OLUWAFISOYE
JOSEPH H. PARK
PHILLIP T. PERSING
SEAN M. POST
DANIEL PRUITT
PETER K. PYO
DAVID J. RHEE
JAMES D. ROLAND
MATTHEW S. RUNALS
BRANDON L. SCHLECHT
ANDREW P. SCHMITZ
JEFFREY P. SHAMESS
DAVID J. SISCO, SR.
GREGORY M. SOLBERG
ANTOINETTE M. STEWART
PHILIP P. TAH
SEONG B. TAK
DAWN B. TAYLOR
KYLE L. WARD
JEREMI C. WODECKI
MATTHEW L. WORSTELL
CALEB W. WRIGHT
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THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 605 AND 7064:

To be colonel

NATHANIEL H. BABB
JEREMY A. HAUGH

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR ARMY MEDICAL CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 7064:

To be major

ALICE S. BLIZMAN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

NATHAN M. ARNOLD
ANGELA M. ARNTZ
DAVID T. AYER
CHRISTOPHER S. BARANYK
WILLIAM A. BARNETTE
MICHAEL A. BENINATO
DAVID F. BLACKMON
CHARLES L. BRUEHL
ROBERT J. BUSH
GABRIEL E. CAMINERO
PAUL R. CAREY
MICHAEL J. CARL
FONGKUEI F. CHENG
BRIAN B. CHOI
KEVIN L. CLEMONS
TRESSA D. COCHRAN
JENNIFER R. COOPER
SCOTT S. DAVIS
BRADLEY X. DEMARK
DOUGLAS N. DOUGLAS
THOMAS J. DUNN III
MARK T. EVANS
LESLIE B. FARRELL
RAFAEL M. GARCIA
CHRISTOPHER J. GOOKIN
AMANDA M. GRAVES
CHRISTOPHER L. HANSEN
JOSHUA J. HARDMAN
BRIAN F. HARRITY
SCOTT R. HENRICKSON
SUSAN C. HORVATH
TIMOTHY D. JAYNE, JR.
PATRICK G. JOHNSON
STEPHEN G. KAY
REN M. KINOSHITA
MICHELLE L. KLINE