

COLLINS) was withdrawn as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1571 intended to be proposed to H.R. 815, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1576

At the request of Mr. PADILLA, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1576 intended to be proposed to H.R. 815, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1596. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1597. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. KAINE, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1598. Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WARREN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. WELCH, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1599. Mr. CASEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1600. Mr. CASEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1601. Ms. BUTLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1602. Ms. BUTLER (for herself and Mr. WELCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1603. Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. LEE, and Mr. HOEVEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1604. Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Ms. WARREN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1605. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1606. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1607. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1596. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. None of the amounts appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be made available for assistance to Gaza.

SA 1597. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. KAINE, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. EXEMPTION OF ALIENS WORKING AS FISH PROCESSORS FROM THE NUMERICAL LIMITATION ON H-2B NON-IMMIGRANT VISAS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 214(g)(10) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(g)(10)) is amended—

(1) by striking “The numerical limitations of paragraph (1)(B)” and inserting “(A) The numerical limitation under paragraph (1)(B)”;

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(B)(i) The numerical limitation under paragraph (1)(B) shall not apply to any non-immigrant alien issued a visa or otherwise provided status under section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(b) who is employed (or has received an offer of employment)—

“(I) as a fish roe processor, a fish roe technician, or a supervisor of fish roe processing; or

“(II) as a fish processor.

“(ii) As used in clause (i)—

“(I) the term ‘fish’ means fresh or salt-water finfish, mollusks, crustaceans, and all other forms of aquatic animal life, including the roe of such animals, other than marine mammals and birds; and

“(II) the term ‘processor’ means any person engaged in the processing of fish, includ-

ing handling, storing, preparing, heading, eviscerating, shucking, freezing, changing into different market forms, manufacturing, preserving, packing, labeling, dockside unloading, holding, and all other processing activities.”.

(b) REPEAL.—Section 14006 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108-287) is repealed.

SA 1598. Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WARREN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. WELCH, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 51, strike lines 10 through 16, and insert the following:

SEC. 614. (a) None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this division and division B of this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs may be made available for a contribution, grant, or other payment to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency in Gaza, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

(b) CERTIFICATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), the limitation on assistance under subsection (a) shall no longer apply if the President certifies that—

(A) the United Nations Office of Internal Oversight Services has completed an investigation into allegations of wrongdoing by certain United Nations Relief and Works Agency employees; and

(B) the United Nations has taken appropriate remedial action.

(2) NOTIFICATION.—Upon making a certification under paragraph (1), the President shall promptly notify the appropriate congressional committees in writing.

SA 1599. Mr. CASEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 31, after line 21, add the following:

U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION PROCUREMENT, CONSTRUCTION, AND IMPROVEMENTS

For necessary expenses of U.S. Customs and Border Protection for procurement, construction, and improvements, \$1,090,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, to increase drug interdiction and processing capabilities at land borders of the United States, of which \$960,000,000 shall be for technology improvements and upgrades, and all may include the procurement and deployment of large-scale, small-scale, and handheld non-intrusive inspection scanning systems at ports of entry along the land borders of the United States and upgrades to the

information technology infrastructure upon which these systems and associated software are operated; of which \$30,000,000 shall be for technological and procedural improvements to the process of analyzing and adjudicating images from non-intrusive inspection scanning technology at land ports of entry, which may include support for the continued development of anomaly detection algorithms to enhance detection of illegal drugs at land ports of entry; and of which \$100,000,000 shall be for other technology and infrastructure upgrades that the Commissioner for U.S. Customs and Border Protection deems necessary for the agency's drug interdiction work: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT

For necessary expenses of U.S. Customs and Border Protection for operations and support, \$285,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, for increasing outbound inspection capabilities, including disrupting the flow of firearms and currency out of the United States, of which \$10,000,000 shall be for supporting the creation of a structured outbound inspection program within the Office of Field Operations that includes a comprehensive outbound inspection policy and performance metrics to measure the impact of outbound inspections; \$275,000,000 shall be for outbound inspections infrastructure projects at the land borders of the United States, including technology and connectivity improvements at rural ports of entry and safety and technology upgrades to outbound inspection lanes at ports of entry: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT

OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT

For necessary expenses of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for operations and support, \$223,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, to expand efforts to interdict fentanyl and other illegal drugs, and disrupt networks operated by transnational criminal organizations within the United States, of which \$113,000,000 shall be for additional Homeland Security Investigations special agents; of which \$80,000,000 shall be for the implementation of Homeland Security Investigations' Strategy for Combating Illicit Opioids; and of which \$30,000,000 shall be for joint surge operations along the land borders of the United States by Homeland Security Investigations and U.S. Customs and Border Protection: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

On page 61, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

TITLE VIII

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT

For necessary expenses of the Department of Justice for disrupting transnational fentanyl networks, \$288,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2027, of which \$68,000,000 shall be used by the Drug Enforcement Administration for salaries and expenses relating to increased law enforcement activities along the land borders of the United States; of which \$60,000,000 shall be used by the Drug Enforcement Administra-

tion for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program; of which \$110,000,000 shall be for the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces; and of which \$50,000,000 shall be used by the U.S. Marshals Service for salaries and expenses relating to increased law enforcement activities along the land borders of the United States: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SA 1600. Mr. CASEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . REPORT ON ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF ILLICIT XYLAZINE AND NON- FENTANYL DERIVED SYNTHETIC OPIOIDS INTO THE UNITED STATES.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) Illicit xylazine is an urgent threat to public health and safety across the United States.

(2) Xylazine, also known as “tranq”, is a powerful sedative used by veterinarians working with large animals, such as horses and cattle.

(3) Although not approved for human consumption, xylazine is often added to other illicit drugs, particularly fentanyl, to enhance the effects of such drugs and increase profits for drug traffickers.

(4) Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, has become known as “ground zero” for the xylazine crisis, and recent studies have found traces of xylazine in more than 90 percent of the illicit drug supply in Philadelphia.

(5) In October 2022, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) reported that xylazine powder could be purchased online from the People's Republic of China for prices as low as \$6 to \$20 per kilogram.

(6) In September 2023, the DEA and the Department of Homeland Security identified illicit xylazine entering the United States in several ways, including in solid form from the People's Republic of China and other countries, in liquid form either diverted from veterinary supply chains or packaged to resemble a veterinary drug, and mixed with fentanyl seized at the southwest border.

(7) In January 2024, the DEA noted that new and deadly synthetic opioids, such as benzimidazole-based opioids, are being increasingly trafficked and abused as the opioid epidemic continues to evolve in the United States.

(8) Also known as nitazenes, benzimidazole-based opioids have no legitimate medicinal purpose and can be significantly more potent than fentanyl.

(9) As the United States continues the fight against illicit fentanyl, more must be done to understand and combat the emerging frontiers of the drug crisis in the United States, including the illicit supply chain of xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,

the Attorney General, in coordination with the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Director of National Intelligence, shall submit to Congress a report on the illicit trafficking of xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids into the United States.

(2) CONTENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include:

(A) an identification of the sources of illicit xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids;

(B) an identification of the locations from which illicit xylazine and non-fentanyl synthetic opioids are originating;

(C) a description of the involvement of the People's Republic of China, India, and other major illicit drug producing countries, as identified in Presidential Determination No. 2023-12 (88 Fed. Reg. 66673; relating to major drug transit or major illicit drug producing countries for fiscal year 2024), in the transit or production of illicit xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids;

(D) a description of what such illicit drug producing countries are doing to stop the illicit trafficking of xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids;

(E) an assessment of the use of online markets and platforms for the marketing, sale, and payment for illicit xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids;

(F) an assessment of the use of common carriers for the shipment and delivery of illicit xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids;

(G) a description of current actions of the Federal Government to combat the illicit trafficking of xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids;

(H) an identification of gaps and resource deficiencies in combating the illicit trafficking of xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids; and

(I) a description of strategies for targeted and coordinated law enforcement efforts to disrupt the illicit supply of xylazine and non-fentanyl derived synthetic opioids.

SA 1601. Ms. BUTLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 32, strike line 6 and all that follows through page 33, line 14, and insert the following:

REFUGEE AND ENTRANT ASSISTANCE

For an additional amount for “Refugee and Entrant Assistance”, \$748,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025, for refugee and entrant assistance activities authorized by section 414 of the Immigration and Nationality Act and section 501 of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980: *Provided*, That, of amounts made available under this heading in this Act, \$267,000,000 shall be available to carry out section 402: *Provided further*, That amounts made available under this heading in this Act may be used for grants or contracts with qualified organizations, including nonprofit entities, to provide culturally and linguistically appropriate services, including wraparound services, housing assistance, medical assistance, legal assistance, and case management assistance: *Provided further*, That amounts made available under this heading in this

Act may be used by the Director of the Office of Refugee Resettlement (Director) to issue awards or supplement awards previously made by the Director: *Provided further*, That the Director, in carrying out section 412(c)(1)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1552(c)(1)(A)) with amounts made available under this heading in this Act, may allocate such amounts among the States in a manner that accounts for the most current data available: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

GENERAL PROVISION—THIS TITLE

SEC. 401. Section 401(a)(1)(A) of the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117-128) is amended by striking “September 30, 2023” and inserting “September 30, 2024”: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SEC. 402. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, individuals entering the United States pursuant to the implementation of Executive Order 14011, and paroled into the United States under section 212(d)(5)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)(A)), including individuals granted parole in place, or who otherwise were issued a visa or other immigration benefit, shall be eligible for the benefits described in subsection (b) if such individuals completed security and law enforcement background checks to the satisfaction of the Secretary of Homeland Security and, if paroled, such individual's parole has not been terminated by the Secretary of Homeland Security: *Provided*, That such services shall also be available to immediate family members of such individuals if such family members are in the United States in such parole status: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Health and Human Services may identify the children, parents, and legal guardians eligible to receive case management, mental health, and other supportive services described under this section through reference to the identified members of the classes, and their minor children, in the class-action lawsuits *Ms. J.P. v. Barr* and *Ms. L. v. ICE*. *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, individuals described in this subsection, including immediate family members of such individuals, who have been paroled into the United States under section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)) shall, for as long as they are in such parole status, be eligible for resettlement assistance, entitlement programs, and other benefits available to refugees admitted under section 207 of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1157) to the same extent, and for the same periods of time, as such refugees.

(b) **BENEFITS.**—An individual described in subsection (a) shall be eligible for—

(1) resettlement assistance, entitlement programs, mental health and other supportive services, including access to legal services, and other benefits available to refugees admitted under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1157);

(2) services described under section 412(d)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1522(d)(2)), subject to subparagraph (B) of such section, if such individual is an unaccompanied alien child (as defined in section 462(g)(2) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 under 6 U.S.C. 279(g)(2)).

(c) **ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Homeland Security may adjust the status of an in-

dividual described in subsection (a), whose parole or visa has not been terminated, to that of an individual lawfully admitted for permanent residence, if the individual—

(A) has been present in the United States for at least 1 year;

(B) is otherwise admissible to the United States as an immigrant; and

(C) clears any additional background checks and screening, as specified by the Secretary.

(2) **INCLUSION.**—The authority of the Secretary of Homeland Security to adjust status under this subsection shall include individuals granted parole in place.

(3) **NO REDUCTION IN VISA NUMBERS.**—On a grant of adjustment of status under this subsection, the Secretary of State shall not be required to reduce the number of immigrant visas authorized to be issued under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)).

(4) **RECORD.**—On approval of such an application for adjustment of status, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall create a record of the alien's admission as an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence as of the date of the alien's inspection and entry described in subsection (a).

SA 1602. Ms. BUTLER (for herself and Mr. WELCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place insert the following:

COUNSEL FOR CERTAIN UNACCOMPANIED ALIEN CHILDREN

SEC. 3512.

Section 235(c)(5) of the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (8 U.S.C. 1232(c)(5)) is amended to read as follows:

“(5) **ACCESS TO COUNSEL.**—

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall ensure, to the greatest extent practicable and consistent with section 292 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1362), that all unaccompanied alien children who are or have been in the custody of the Secretary of Health and Human Services or the Secretary of Homeland Security, and who are not described in subsection (a)(2)(A), have counsel to represent them in legal proceedings or matters and protect them from mistreatment, exploitation, and trafficking. To the greatest extent practicable, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall make every effort to utilize the services of pro bono counsel who agree to provide representation to such children without charge.

“(B) **EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN CHILDREN.**—

“(i) **IN GENERAL.**—An unaccompanied alien child who is 17 years of age or younger, and who is placed in or referred to removal proceedings pursuant to section 240 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1229a), shall be represented by counsel subject to clause (v).

“(ii) **AGE DETERMINATIONS.**—The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall ensure that age determinations of unaccompanied alien children are conducted in accordance

with the procedures developed pursuant to subsection (b)(4).

“(iii) **APPEALS.**—The rights and privileges under this subparagraph shall attach to administrative reviews and appeals.

“(iv) **IMPLEMENTATION.**—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of the National Security Act, 2024, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall implement this subparagraph

“(v) **REMEDIES.**—For the population described in clause (i) of this subparagraph, declaratory judgment that the unaccompanied alien child has a right to be referred to counsel, including pro-bono counsel, or a continuance of immigration proceedings, shall be the exclusive remedies available, other than for those funds subject to appropriations.”.

SA 1603. Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. LEE, and Mr. HOEVEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, lines 13 and 14, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 3, lines 21 and 22, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 4, lines 5 and 6, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 4, lines 13 and 14, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 4, lines 22 and 23, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 5, lines 5 and 6, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 5, line 23, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 6, line 7, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 6, line 16, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 7, line 1, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 17, lines 16 and 17, strike “until December 31, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 18, line 9, strike “until September 30, 2024,” and insert “in accordance with section 106(f)”.

On page 23, after line 16, add the following:

SEC. 106. (a)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated by this title for any of the purposes described in paragraph (2) shall be made available in accordance with the schedule and conditions set forth in this section.

(2) The purposes described in this paragraph are—

(A) responding to the situation in Ukraine and to the needs of countries impacted by such situation, including for related expenses;

(B) carrying out the Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative;

(C) replacing, through new procurement or repair of existing unserviceable equipment,

of defense articles from the stocks of the Department of Defense;

(D) providing reimbursements for defense services of the Department of Defense and military education and training, provided to or identified for provision to the Government of Ukraine or to foreign countries that have provided support to Ukraine at the request of the United States; and

(E) providing assistance to Ukraine, which may include budget support, and to countries impacted by the situation in Ukraine.

(b) Of the total funds appropriated by this title, 25 percent shall be made available on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) The remaining 75 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available in accordance with the following schedule:

(1) Not earlier than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.33 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 127,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(2) Not earlier than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.33 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 111,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(3) Not earlier than 150 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.34 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 95,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(4) Not earlier than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.33 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 79,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(5) Not earlier than 210 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.33 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 63,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(6) Not earlier than 240 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.34 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 47,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(7) Not earlier than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.33 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 31,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(8) Not earlier than 300 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.33 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 15,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(9) Not earlier than 330 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 8.34 percent of the funds appropriated by this title shall be made available if the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security has certified to Congress that, during the most recent month for which data is available, not more than 1,000 of the aliens who entered the United States without lawful status were—

(A) released into the United States after being encountered or apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

(B) granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)); or

(C) a got away.

(d) In determining the timing of the distribution of funds made available pursuant to subsections (b) and (c), the President may prioritize certain accounts: *Provided*, That

the total amount made available to any account does not exceed the amount appropriated to such account pursuant to this Act.

(e) In this section, the term “got away” has the meaning given such term in section 1092(a)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (6 U.S.C. 223(a)(3)).

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, amounts appropriated by this title for the purposes described in subsection (a)(2) shall remain available until the date that is 12 months after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(g) Any amounts appropriated by this title that are not obligated or expended before the date referred to in subsection (f) shall be returned to the Treasury on such date.

SA 1604. Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Ms. WARREN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. **EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION FOR ASYLUM APPLICANTS.**

Section 208(d)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1158(d)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

“(2) **EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY.**—

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—Concurrently with the filing of an application for asylum, an applicant for asylum may apply for employment authorization under this section.

“(B) **DECISION ON APPLICATION.**—The Secretary of Homeland Security may not approve an application for employment authorization filed under this paragraph until the date that is 30 days after the date on which the applicant filed an application for asylum.”.

SA 1605. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division A, add the following:

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

For an additional amount for “Federal Emergency Management Agency—Federal Assistance”, \$100,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025, for Operation Stonegarden: *Provided*, That not less than 25 percent of the total amount provided under this heading in this Act shall be for States other than those located along the southwest border: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SA 1606. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 31, after line 21, add the following:

U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION
PROCUREMENT, CONSTRUCTION, AND
IMPROVEMENTS

For an additional amount for “U.S. Customs and Border Protection—Procurement, Construction, and Improvements”, \$424,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2026, for acquisition and deployment of non-intrusive inspection technology: *Provided*, That the amounts made available under this heading are designated by Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS TITLE
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

SEC. 301. (a) Amounts made available in this title under the heading “U.S. Customs and Border Protection—Procurement, Construction, and Improvements” for the acquisition and deployment of non-intrusive inspection technology shall be available only through an open competition occurring after the date of the enactment of this Act to acquire innovative technologies that improve performance, including through the integration of artificial intelligence and machine learning capabilities.

(b) Beginning on March 1, 2025, the Commissioner for U.S. Customs and Border Protection shall provide to the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives a quarterly update on the impacts of deployments of additional non-intrusive inspection technology on key performance metrics and operational capabilities that includes—

(1) the percentage of passenger and cargo vehicles scanned;

(2) the percentage of seizures of narcotics, currency, weapons, ammunition, and other

illicit items at inbound and outbound operations at ports of entry, checkpoints, and other locations, as applicable; and

(3) the impact of U.S. Customs and Border Protection workforce requirements resulting from the deployment of additional non-intrusive inspection technology.

On page 39, line 25, strike “\$375,000,000” and insert “\$400,000,000”.

On page 40, insert “*Provided further*, That of the total amount provided under this heading in this Act, \$25,000,000 shall be for countering the flow of fentanyl, fentanyl precursors, and other synthetic drugs into the United States, following consultations with the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives:” after “requirements:”.

On page 61, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

TITLE VIII
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for “Drug Enforcement Administration—Salaries and Expenses”, \$23,200,000, to remain available until September 30, 2026, to enhance laboratory analysis of illicit fentanyl samples to trace illicit fentanyl supplies back to manufacturers, to support Operation Overdrive, and to bolster criminal drug network targeting efforts through data system improvements: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SA 1607. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ ASSISTANCE FOR FOREIGN NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS UNDER PART I OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, regulation, or policy, in determining eligibility for assistance authorized under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.), foreign nongovernmental organizations—

(1) shall not be ineligible for such assistance solely on the basis of health or medical services, including counseling and referral services, provided by such organizations with non-United States Government funds if such services do not violate the laws of the country in which they are being provided and would not violate United States Federal law if provided in the United States; and

(2) shall not be subject to requirements relating to the use of non-United States Government funds for advocacy and lobbying activities other than those that apply to United States nongovernmental organizations receiving assistance under part I of such Act.

ORDERS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 12 noon on Sunday, February 11; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; that upon the conclusion of morning business, the Senate resume consideration of Calendar No. 30, H.R. 815.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TOMORROW

Mr. SCHUMER. 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 5:41 p.m., adjourned until Sunday, February 11, 2024, at 12 noon.