

(3) honors Tedmund D. Hall and Arnaldo Quinones for the sacrifices they made in giving their lives to protect Californians from the Station Fire.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

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SA 2365. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2366. Mr. WICKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3288, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2367. Mr. SHELBY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3288, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2368. Ms. KLOBUCHAR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2369. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 2362. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 318, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 234. Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall submit to the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives a report that—

(1) identifies programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development that directly support the activities of community-based organizations that carry out housing and community development activities in areas for which the President has declared a major disaster, as defined in section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122), as a result of Hurricane Katrina of 2005, Hurricane Rita of 2005, Hurricane Gustav of 2008, or Hurricane Ike of 2008 (referred to in this section as “hurricane disaster areas”), including—

(A) programs under section 4 of the HUD Demonstration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 9816 note);

(B) the program under section 11 of the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C. 12805 note);

(C) programs of the Office of Rural Housing and Economic Development of the Department of Housing and Urban Development;

(D) programs of the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation (commonly referred to as “NeighborWorks America”);

(E) the community services block grant program under the Community Services Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C. 9901 et seq.);

(F) the community development block grant program under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.); and

(G) the HOME investment partnership program under title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12721 et seq.);

(2) contains, for each of the programs identified under paragraph (1), the total amount of funds expended by each program in hurricane disaster areas—

(A) during each of fiscal years 2005 through 2009;

(B) in each State; and

(C) in each county or parish;

(3) contains the total number of nonprofit organizations that—

(A) primarily serve hurricane disaster areas; and

(B) received a direct benefit from a program identified under paragraph (1) on or after August 28, 2005;

(4) to the extent practicable, contains—

(A) the total number of jobs created by the nonprofit organizations described in paragraph (3) using funds provided by programs described in paragraph (1); and

(B) the total number of units of housing constructed or redeveloped by the nonprofit organizations described in paragraph (3) using funds provided by programs described in paragraph (1);

(5) identifies any hurricane disaster area that is underserved by the programs identified under paragraph (1); and

(6) contains recommendations for improvements to the programs identified under paragraph (1) that would benefit areas affected by natural or man-made disaster.

SA 2363. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 268, line 17, strike “\$85,000,000” and insert “\$88,000,000”.

On page 268, line 23, strike “\$50,000,000” and insert “\$53,000,000”.

SA 2364. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 318, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 234. The matter under the heading “COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND”, under the heading “COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT”, under the heading “DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT” in chapter 10 of title I of division B of the Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act,

2009 (Public Law 110-329; 122 Stat. 3601) is amended by striking “: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided under this heading may be used by a State or locality as a matching requirement, share, or contribution for any other Federal program”.

SA 2365. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 318, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 234. The matter under the heading “COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND”, under the heading “COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT”, under the heading “DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT” in chapter 10 of title I of division B of the Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 110-329; 122 Stat. 3601) is amended by striking “: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided under this heading may be used by a State or locality as a matching requirement, share, or contribution for any other Federal program”.

SA 2366. Mr. WICKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ (a) FUNDING LIMITATION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, amounts made available in this Act for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) shall immediately cease to be available if Amtrak prohibits the secure transportation of firearms on passenger trains.

(b) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “secure transportation of firearms” means—

(1) if an Amtrak station accepts checked baggage for a specific Amtrak route, Amtrak passengers holding a ticket for such route are allowed to place an unloaded firearm or starter pistol in a checked bag on such route if—

(A) before checking the bag or boarding the train, the passenger declares to Amtrak, either orally or in writing, that the firearm is in his or her bag and is unloaded;

(B) the firearm is carried in a hard-sided container;

(C) such container is locked; and

(D) only the passenger has the key or combination for such container; and

(2) Amtrak passengers are allowed to place small arms ammunition for personal use in a checked bag on an Amtrak route if the ammunition is securely packed—

(A) in fiber, wood, or metal boxes; or

(B) in other packaging specifically designed to carry small amounts of ammunition.

SA 2367. Mr. SHELBY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of

Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 194, after line 23, add the following:

SEC. 132. (a) The project description in item 3730 under section 1702 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (Public Law 109-59) is amended by adding at the end the following: “(to include the Montgomery Outer Loop)”.

(b) The project description in item 16 under section 1934(c) of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (Public Law 109-59) is amended by adding at the end the following: “(to include the Montgomery Outer Loop)”.

SA 2368. Ms. KLOBUCHAR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 215, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

SEC. 156. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, amounts made available for the Rail Line Relocation and Improvement Program under title I of division I of the Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111-8; 123 Stat. 935) and directed to “Phase 3 Rail Rehabilitation in Redwood Falls, MN” in the explanatory statement appearing on page H2472 of the Congressional Record shall be available for obligation and expenditure for “Minnesota Valley Regional Rail Authority, MN.”.

SA 2369. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 223, between lines 22 and 23, insert the following:

SEC. 172. (a) Title I of Public Law 106-346 is amended, under the heading “Capital Investment Grants”, by inserting “and Manchester” after “Nashua”.

(b) Title I of Public Law 107-87 is amended, under the heading “Capital Investment Grants”, by inserting “and Manchester” after “Nashua”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 14, 2009, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled “Cyber Attacks: Protecting Industry Against Growing Threats.”

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

ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-LA CROSSE

Mr. MERKLEY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 258 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 258) commemorating the 100th anniversary of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. MERKLEY. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements related to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 258) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 258

Whereas La Crosse is located on the western border of middle-Wisconsin, on the east side of the Mississippi River;

Whereas the first Europeans to see the site of La Crosse were French fur traders who traveled the Mississippi River in the late 17th century;

Whereas La Crosse was incorporated as a city in 1856;

Whereas Thomas Morris sponsored a bill in the Wisconsin State Senate that led to the creation of the current-day University of Wisconsin-La Crosse;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse was founded in 1909 as the La Crosse State Normal School for the purpose of teacher preparation;

Whereas the philosophy of Fasset A. Cotton, the university's first president, was to train the whole person;

Whereas “mens corpusque”, Latin for “mind and body”, is the motto on the university seal;

Whereas the college changed its name to Wisconsin State College-La Crosse in 1951 when the Wisconsin State teachers colleges began awarding baccalaureate degrees in liberal arts;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse offers 88 undergraduate programs in 44 disciplines and 26 graduate programs;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1959, the same year that presidential candidate John F. Kennedy visited the campus and spoke to the student body in Graff Main Hall auditorium;

Whereas U.S. News & World Report ranked the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse second among midwestern public universities offering bachelor's and master's degrees;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse men's athletic teams adopted the nickname “Eagles” in the fall of 1989, and the women's teams adopted that nickname a year later;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse athletic teams have won 59 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III titles in 9 different sports; and

Whereas 2009 marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commemorates the 100th anniversary of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse; and

(2) commends the university for its status as a leading public university that excels in academics, athletics, and quality of life for students.

HONORING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FIREFIGHTERS

Mr. MERKLEY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 265, submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 265) honoring the firefighters who sacrificed their lives while battling the Station Fire in southern California in August 2009.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. MERKLEY. I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 265) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 265

Whereas in late August 2009, the Angeles National Forest and neighboring communities north of Los Angeles, California were engulfed by an intense wildfire, which came to be known as the “Station Fire”;

Whereas the Station Fire, ignited by arson on August 26, 2009, burned more than 160,000 acres of public lands and private property in Los Angeles County and the Angeles National Forest, including more than 160 structures and homes;

Whereas as of September 9, 2009, the Station Fire was the 10th largest wildfire in modern California history, and the largest wildfire in the modern history of Los Angeles County;

Whereas as of September 9, 2009, the Station Fire continued to threaten 12,000 structures in the National Forest and nearby communities such as Acton, Altadena, Glendale, La Cañada Flintridge, La Crescenta, Pasadena, Littlerock, Sunland, and Tujunga;

Whereas more than 8,000 fire personnel and 800 fire engines and approximately 40 helicopters, 13 fixed winged aircraft, and 88 water tenders were deployed statewide to assist with firefighting efforts;

Whereas the extraordinary effort made by firefighters throughout the region contributed to the preservation of the historic Mount Wilson Observatory, a national landmark for astronomical research;

Whereas Fire Captain Tedmund D. “Ted” Hall, aged 47, and Firefighter Specialist Arnaldo “Arnie” Quinones, aged 34, lost their lives in the line of duty fighting the Station Fire;