

Period Beginning July 1, 2011” ((RIN1545-BG63 and RIN1545-BK35) (TD9698)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 4, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7755. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Ebola Virus Disease Outbreak Occurring in Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone Designated as a Qualified Disaster Under Section 139 of the Internal Revenue Code” (Notice 2014-65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7756. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “2014 Section 43 Inflation Adjustment” (Notice 2014-64) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7757. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “2014 Marginal Production Rates” (Notice 2014-63) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7758. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “2015 Cost-of-Living Adjustments to the Internal Revenue Code Tax Tables and Other Items” (Rev. Proc. 2014-61) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7759. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Unpaid Losses Discount Factors and Payment Patterns for 2014” (Rev. Proc. 2014-59) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7760. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Group Health Plans that Fail to Cover In-Patient Hospitalization Services” (Notice 2014-69) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7761. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Computation of Annual Liability Insurance (Including Self-Insurance) Settlement Recovery Threshold”; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7762. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Improving the Identification of Health Care Disparities in Medicaid and CHIP”; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7763. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule” (FRL No. 9918-78-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 4, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7764. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Child Welfare Outcomes 2009-2012: Report to Congress”; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7765. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed permanent transfer of major defense equipment to a Middle Eastern country (OSS-2014-1801); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7766. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country (OSS-2014-1812); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7767. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, for the six months ending December 31, 2013”; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7768. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 14-101); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7769. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 14-090); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7770. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 14-100); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7771. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 14-092); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7772. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Iran-Related Multilateral Sanctions Regime Efforts” covering the period February 7, 2014 to August 6, 2014; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7773. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of the Government of Cuba’s compliance with the United States-Cuba September 1994 “Joint Communiqué” and on the treatment of persons returned to Cuba in accordance with the United States-Cuba May 1995 “Joint Statement”; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7774. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Policy on Exports to Vietnam” (RIN1400-AD73) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 10, 2014; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7775. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Category XV; Correction” (RIN1400-AD33) received during adjournment of the Senate in

the Office of the President of the Senate on November 10, 2014; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7776. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program” ((RIN1840-AD17) (Docket ID ED-2014-OPE-0082)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7777. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Premarket Approval of Pediatric Uses of Devices—FY 2012”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7778. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Fiscal Year 2011 Report to Congress on Community Services Block Grant Discretionary Activities—Community Economic Development and Rural Community Development Programs”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7779. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Delays in Approvals of Applications Related to Citizen Petitions and Petitions for Stay of Agency Action for Fiscal Year 2013”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7780. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “United States Tobacco Product Exports That Do Not Conform to Tobacco Product Standards”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7781. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Program Integrity: Gainful Employment” ((RIN1840-AD15) (Docket ID ED-2014-OPE-0039)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-350. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska applying to the United States Congress to call a convention of the states under Article V of the Constitution of the United States to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office of federal government officials; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 22

Whereas the founders of the Constitution of the United States empowered state legislators to be guardians of liberty against future abuses of power by the federal government; and

Whereas the federal government has created a crushing national debt through improper and imprudent spending; and

Whereas the federal government has invaded the legitimate roles of the states

through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most of which are unfunded; and

Whereas the federal government has ceased to live under a proper interpretation of the Constitution of the United States; and

Whereas it is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of their people, particularly for the generations to come, to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States through a convention of the states under art. V to place clear restraints on these and related abuses of power: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That under art. V, Constitution of the United States, the Alaska State Legislature respectfully applies to the United States Congress to call a convention of the states for the sole purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office of federal government officials; and be it further

*Resolved*, That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with art. V, Constitution of the United States, until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have applied for a similar convention of the states; and be it further,

*Resolved*, That the Alaska State Legislature urges the legislatures of the other 49 states to apply to the United States Congress to call a convention of the states.

Copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Barack Obama, President of the United States; the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable John Boehner, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, President pro tempore of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Nancy Erickson, Secretary of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable Lisa Murkowski and the Honorable Mark Begich, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress; and the presiding officers of the legislatures of each of the other 49 states.

#### 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 Mr. SCOTT:

S. 2936. A bill to provide that in the case of leases to local education agencies and elementary and secondary schools, consideration may be at or below fair market value or for no consideration; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. REED:

S. 2937. A bill to require the president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 2938. A bill to provide to the Secretary of the Interior a mechanism to cancel contracts for the sale of materials CA-20139 and CA-22901, and other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2939. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that return information from tax-exempt organizations be

made available in a searchable format and to provide the disclosure of the identity of contributors to certain tax-exempt organizations; to the Committee on Finance.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. Res. 581. A resolution honoring the life and service of the late Staff Sergeant Robert Henry Anderson; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. Res. 582. A resolution expressing support for designation of the third Tuesday of November as "National Entrepreneurs Day"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 641

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine.

S. 907

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 907, a bill to provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes, and for other purposes.

S. 931

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 931, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to raise awareness of, and to educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery, especially patients who are members of racial and ethnic minority groups, regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options.

S. 1011

At the request of Mr. JOHANNIS, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. TOOMEY), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1011, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of Boys Town, and for other purposes.

S. 1040

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) were added as cosponsors of S. 1040, a bill to pro-

vide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence, good sportsmanship, and philanthropy.

S. 1187

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1187, a bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt.

S. 1332

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1332, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program.

S. 1389

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1389, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Prison Ship Martyrs' Monument in Fort Greene Park, in the New York City borough of Brooklyn, as a unit of the National Park System.

S. 1702

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. FLAKE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1702, a bill to empower States with authority for most taxing and spending for highway programs and mass transit programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2069

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2069, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand and modify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers.

S. 2187

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2187, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a five-year extension of the rural community hospital demonstration program.

S. 2192

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Ms. HETTKAMP) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2192, a bill to amend the National Alzheimer's Project Act to require the Director of the National Institutes of Health to prepare and submit, directly to the President for review and transmittal to Congress, an annual budget estimate (including an estimate of the number and type of personnel needs for the Institutes) for the initiatives of the National Institutes of Health pursuant to such an Act.

S. 2250

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from New Jersey