

the charitable purposes do not otherwise violate any rule or regulation of the Senate or of Federal law; and

(2) a Senator, officer of the Senate, or employee of the Senate may work with a non-profit organization with respect to the delivery of donations described under paragraph (1).

(b) EXPIRATION.—The authority provided by this resolution shall expire at the end of the first session of the 114th Congress.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 2875. Mr. JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. GARDNER) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016.

SA 2876. Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. COONS, and Ms. STABENOW) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra.

SA 2877. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2878. Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. COATS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2879. Mr. GARDNER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2880. Mr. GARDNER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2881. Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. REED, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. SANDERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2882. Mr. HELLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2883. Mr. BROWN (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WYDEN, and Ms. HIRONO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2884. Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2885. Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. KIRK) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2886. Mr. REID submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2887. Ms. HIRONO (for herself and Mr. BROWN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2888. Mr. COATS (for himself and Mr. TOOMEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2889. Mr. FLAKE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2890. Mr. FLAKE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 2875.** Mr. JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. GARDNER) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

##### SEC. \_\_\_\_ . AMENDMENT TO THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part 2 of subtitle C of title I of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18011 et seq.) is amended by striking section 1251 and inserting the following:

##### “SEC. 1251. FREEDOM TO MAINTAIN EXISTING COVERAGE.

“(a) NO CHANGES TO EXISTING COVERAGE.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act (or an amendment made by this Act) shall be construed to require that an individual terminate coverage under a group health plan or health insurance coverage in which such individual was enrolled during any part of the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2013.

“(2) CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE.—With respect to a group health plan or health insurance coverage in which an individual was enrolled during any part of the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2013, this subtitle and subtitle A (and the amendments made by such subtitles) shall not apply to such plan or coverage, regardless of whether the individual renews such coverage.

“(b) ALLOWANCE FOR FAMILY MEMBERS TO JOIN CURRENT COVERAGE.—With respect to a group health plan or health insurance coverage in which an individual was enrolled during any part of the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2013, and which is renewed, family members of such individual shall be permitted to enroll in such plan or coverage if such enrollment is permitted under the terms of the plan in effect as of such date of enrollment.

“(c) ALLOWANCE FOR NEW EMPLOYEES TO JOIN CURRENT PLAN.—A group health plan that provides coverage during any part of the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2013, may provide for the enrolling of new employees (and their families) in such plan, and this subtitle and subtitle A (and the amendments made by such subtitles) shall not apply with respect to such plan and such new employees (and their families).

“(d) EFFECT ON COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS.—In the case of health insurance coverage maintained pursuant to one or more collective bargaining agreements between employee representatives and one or more employers that was ratified before December 31, 2013, the provisions of this subtitle and subtitle A (and the amendments made by such subtitles) shall not apply until the date on which the last of the collective

bargaining agreements relating to the coverage terminates. Any coverage amendment made pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement relating to the coverage which amends the coverage solely to conform to any requirement added by this subtitle or subtitle A (or amendments) shall not be treated as a termination of such collective bargaining agreement.

“(e) DEFINITION.—In this title, the term ‘grandfathered health plan’ means any group health plan or health insurance coverage to which this section applies.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148).

**SA 2876.** Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. COONS, and Ms. STABENOW) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; as follows:

Strike section 101 and insert the following:

##### SEC. 101. SENSE OF THE SENATE.

It is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) comprehensive access to reproductive health care is critical to improving the health and well-being of women and their families and is an essential part of their economic security;

(2) access to affordable contraceptives, including emergency contraceptives, and medically accurate information prevents unintended pregnancies, thereby improving the health of women, children, families, and society as a whole;

(3) it is imperative that women have access to the full range of reproductive health care services;

(4) women’s health care providers, including Planned Parenthood, provide critical services such as birth control, cancer screenings, and other services, to millions of men and women across the United States; and

(5) all women and men should be able to access health care services without fear or intimidation or threat of violence.

##### SEC. 101A. WOMEN’S HEALTH CARE AND CLINIC SECURITY AND SAFETY FUND.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et. seq.) is amended by inserting after section 1941 the following new section:

##### “WOMEN’S HEALTH CARE AND CLINIC SECURITY AND SAFETY FUND

“SEC. 1941A. (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish under this title a Women’s Health Care and Clinic Security and Safety Fund (in this section referred to as the ‘Fund’) which shall be available to the Secretary for the purpose of making payments to women’s health clinics or providers for the provision of eligible services to individuals described in subsection (b) and for expenditures of women’s health clinics or providers that are attributable to ensuring the security and safety of such clinics or providers and of their staff and patients. Payments made from the Fund to women’s health clinics or providers for eligible services or for security and safety expenditures shall be in addition to any payments that would otherwise be made to any such clinics or providers for such services or expenditures.

“(2) COORDINATION.—The Secretary shall coordinate with the National Task Force on

Violence Against Health Care Providers established by the Attorney General for purposes of submitting an annual report to Congress on violence against women's health clinics or providers, including violence against the facilities, staff, and patients of such clinics or providers, and shall identify in the report best practices for ensuring the security and safety of such clinics and providers and their facilities, staff, and patients.

“(b) INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED.—For purposes of subsection (a), individuals described in this subsection are any of the following:

“(1) Any individual who is eligible for medical assistance under a State plan under this title or a waiver of such plan.

“(2) Any individual who does not have health insurance coverage.

“(3) Any individual who has health insurance coverage but is under insured, or who is otherwise determined by a women's health clinic or provider to need services.

“(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) ELIGIBLE SERVICES.—The term ‘eligible services’ means any health care item or service for which medical assistance is available under any State plan under this title or under any waiver of any State plan that is in effect on the date of enactment of this section.

“(2) WOMEN'S HEALTH CLINIC OR PROVIDER DEFINED.—The term ‘women's health clinic or provider’ means an entity, including its affiliates, subsidiaries, successors, and clinics that, as of the date of enactment of this section—

“(A) is an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code;

“(B) is an essential community provider described in section 156.235 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on such date of enactment), that is primarily engaged in family planning services, reproductive health, and related medical care; and

“(C) provides for abortions, other than an abortion—

“(i) if the pregnancy is the result of an act of rape or incest; or

“(ii) in the case where a woman suffers from a physical disorder, physical injury, or physical illness that would, as certified by a physician, place the woman in danger of death unless an abortion is performed, including a life-endangering physical condition caused by or arising from the pregnancy itself.

“(d) APPLICATIONS, DETERMINATION OF PAYMENT AMOUNTS, ADVANCE PAYMENT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2016, the Secretary shall establish a process under which a women's health provider may request payments from the Fund.

“(2) DETERMINATION OF PAYMENT AMOUNTS; ADVANCE PAYMENT; RETROSPECTIVE ADJUSTMENT.—As part of the process established under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall establish procedures for—

“(A) ensuring that amounts available for making payments from the Fund are equitably distributed among all the women's health clinics or providers that apply for such payments for a fiscal year;

“(B) making payments under this section for each quarter of a fiscal year on the basis of advance estimates of expenditures submitted by women's health clinics or providers for such payments and such other investigation as the Secretary may find necessary; and

“(C) making reductions or increases in the payments as necessary to adjust for any overpayment or underpayment for prior quarters of such fiscal year.

“(e) FUNDING.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be available to the Fund, for expenditures from the Fund, \$1,000,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2016 through 2025.

“(2) FUNDING LIMITATION.—Amounts in the Fund shall be available in advance of appropriations but only if the total amount obligated from the Fund does not exceed the amount available to the Fund under paragraph (1). The Secretary may obligate funds from the Fund only if the Secretary determines (and the Chief Actuary of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the appropriate budget officer certify) that there are available in the Fund sufficient amounts to cover all such obligations incurred consistent with the previous sentence.”.

#### SEC. 101B. FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new part:

##### “PART VII—FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS

“Sec. 59A. Fair share tax.

##### “SEC. 59A. FAIR SHARE TAX.

“(a) GENERAL RULE.—

“(1) IMPOSITION OF TAX.—In the case of any high-income taxpayer, there is hereby imposed for a taxable year (in addition to any other tax imposed by this subtitle) a tax equal to the product of—

“(A) the amount determined under paragraph (2), and

“(B) a fraction (not to exceed 1)—

“(i) the numerator of which is the excess of—

“(I) the taxpayer's adjusted gross income, over

“(II) the dollar amount in effect under subsection (c)(1), and

“(ii) the denominator of which is the dollar amount in effect under subsection (c)(1).

“(2) AMOUNT OF TAX.—The amount of tax determined under this paragraph is an amount equal to the excess (if any) of—

“(A) the tentative fair share tax for the taxable year, over

“(B) the excess of—

“(i) the sum of—

“(I) the regular tax liability (as defined in section 26(b)) for the taxable year, determined without regard to any tax liability determined under this section,

“(II) the tax imposed by section 55 for the taxable year, plus

“(III) the payroll tax for the taxable year, over

“(ii) the credits allowable under part IV of subchapter A (other than sections 27(a), 31, and 34).

“(b) TENTATIVE FAIR SHARE TAX.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The tentative fair share tax for the taxable year is 30 percent of the excess of—

“(A) the adjusted gross income of the taxpayer, over

“(B) the modified charitable contribution deduction for the taxable year.

“(2) MODIFIED CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION DEDUCTION.—For purposes of paragraph (1)—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The modified charitable contribution deduction for any taxable year is an amount equal to the amount which bears the same ratio to the deduction allowable under section 170 (section 642(c) in the case of a trust or estate) for such taxable year as—

“(i) the amount of itemized deductions allowable under the regular tax (as defined in section 55) for such taxable year, determined after the application of section 68, bears to

“(ii) such amount, determined before the application of section 68.

“(B) TAXPAYER MUST ITEMIZE.—In the case of any individual who does not elect to itemize deductions for the taxable year, the modified charitable contribution deduction shall be zero.

“(c) HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYER.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘high-income taxpayer’ means, with respect to any taxable year, any taxpayer (other than a corporation) with an adjusted gross income for such taxable year in excess of \$1,000,000 (50 percent of such amount in the case of a married individual who files a separate return).

“(2) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a taxable year beginning after 2016, the \$1,000,000 amount under paragraph (1) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

“(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

“(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, determined by substituting ‘calendar year 2015’ for ‘calendar year 1992’ in subparagraph (B) thereof.

“(B) ROUNDING.—If any amount as adjusted under subparagraph (A) is not a multiple of \$10,000, such amount shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of \$10,000.

“(d) PAYROLL TAX.—For purposes of this section, the payroll tax for any taxable year is an amount equal to the excess of—

“(1) the taxes imposed on the taxpayer under sections 1401, 1411, 3101, 3201, and 3211(a) (to the extent such tax is attributable to the rate of tax in effect under section 3101) with respect to such taxable year or wages or compensation received during such taxable year, over

“(2) the deduction allowable under section 164(f) for such taxable year.

“(e) SPECIAL RULE FOR ESTATES AND TRUSTS.—For purposes of this section, in the case of an estate or trust, adjusted gross income shall be computed in the manner described in section 67(e).

“(f) NOT TREATED AS TAX IMPOSED BY THIS CHAPTER FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.—The tax imposed under this section shall not be treated as tax imposed by this chapter for purposes of determining the amount of any credit under this chapter (other than the credit allowed under section 27(a)) or for purposes of section 55.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of parts for subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“PART VII—FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015.

**SA 2877.** Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

#### SEC. \_\_\_\_ HEALTH CARE COMPACT PILOT PROGRAM.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”), acting through the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, shall establish a pilot program to permit at least 5 States to enter into the health care compact described in subsection (d).

(b) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to participate in the pilot program established under

subsection (a), a State shall certify to the Secretary, that—

(1) the State has, in a manner consistent with that State's constitution, joined the Health Care Compact on or before January 1, 2017;

(2) all funds transferred to the State under subsection (f)(5) will be expended only on health care as defined in subsection (f)(1)(D); and

(3) the State has appointed a member to the Interstate Advisory Health Care Commission established under subsection (f)(6).

(c) EXCLUSIONS TO COMPACT CONSENT.—Notwithstanding the consent to the Health Care Compact granted under this section, the powers granted to member States under paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of subsection (f) (the Health Care Compact) shall not apply with regard to the agencies described in subsection (d), and the Member State Base Funding Level and Member State Current Year Funding Level shall not include funds expended by such agencies.

(d) EXCLUDED AGENCIES.—The agencies described in this subsection are—

(1) the National Institutes for Health;

(2) the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

(3) the Food and Drug Administration.

(e) REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF DETERMINATIONS.—

(1) APPLICATIONS.—Not later than January 1, 2017, the Secretary shall publish a request for applications to participate in the program established under subsection (a). The period for accepting such applications shall close on June 30, 2017.

(2) DETERMINATIONS.—Not later than December 31, 2017, the Secretary shall notify States submitting applications under paragraph (1) of the determinations of the Secretary with respect to such applications.

(f) HEALTH CARE COMPACT.—The health care compact described in this subsection is as follows:

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

(A) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission” means the Interstate Advisory Health Care Commission established under paragraph (6).

(B) COMPACT.—The term “Compact” means the Compact described in this subsection that is entered into by a State under the program established under subsection (a).

(C) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The term “effective date” means the date upon which this Compact shall become effective for purposes of the operation of State and Federal law in a Member State, which shall be the later of—

(i) the date upon which this Compact shall be adopted under the laws of the Member State; or

(ii) the date upon which this Compact receives the consent of Congress pursuant to Article I, Section 10, of the United States Constitution, after at least two Member States adopt this Compact.

(D) HEALTH CARE.—The term “health care” means care, services, supplies, or plans related to the health of an individual and includes—

(i) preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, maintenance, or palliative care and counseling, service, assessment, or procedure with respect to the physical or mental condition or functional status of an individual or that affects the structure or function of the body;

(ii) sale or dispensing of a drug, device, equipment, or other item in accordance with a prescription; and

(iii) an individual or group plan that provides, or pays the cost of, care, services, or supplies related to the health of an individual;

except any care, services, supplies, or plans provided by the Department of Defense and

Department of Veteran Affairs, or provided to Native Americans.

(E) MEMBER STATE.—The term “member State” means a State that has—

(i) an application for participation in the program established under subsection (a) approved by the Secretary; and

(ii) adopted the Compact under the laws of that State.

(F) MEMBER STATE BASE FUNDING LEVEL.—The term “member State base funding level” means a number equal to the total Federal spending on health care in the member State during Federal fiscal year 2010. On or before the effective date, each member State shall determine the member State base funding level for its State, and that number shall be binding upon that member State.

(G) MEMBER STATE CURRENT YEAR FUNDING LEVEL.—The term “member State current year funding level” with respect to a member State, means the member State base funding level multiplied by the member State current year population adjustment factor multiplied by the current year inflation adjustment factor for the State.

(H) MEMBER STATE CURRENT YEAR POPULATION ADJUSTMENT FACTOR.—The term “member State current year population adjustment factor” with respect to a member State, means the average population of the member State in the current year less the average population of the member State in Federal fiscal year 2010, divided by the average population of the member State in Federal fiscal year 2010, plus 1. The average population in a member State shall be determined by the United States Census Bureau.

(I) CURRENT YEAR INFLATION ADJUSTMENT FACTOR.—The term “current year inflation adjustment factor” means the total gross domestic product deflator in the current year divided by the total gross domestic product deflator in Federal fiscal year 2010. The total gross domestic product deflator shall be determined by the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the Department of Commerce.

(2) PLEDGE.—The member States shall take joint and separate action under this Compact to return the authority to regulate health care to the member States consistent with the goals and principles articulated in this Compact. The member States shall improve health care policy within their respective jurisdictions and according to the judgment and discretion of each of the member States.

(3) LEGISLATIVE POWER.—The legislatures of the member States have the primary responsibility to regulate health care in their respective States under the Compact.

(4) STATE CONTROL.—Each member State, within its State, may suspend by legislation the operation of all Federal laws, rules, regulations, and orders regarding health care that are inconsistent with the laws and regulations adopted by the member State pursuant to this Compact. Federal and State laws, rules, regulations, and orders regarding health care shall remain in effect unless a member State expressly suspends such laws, rules, regulations and orders pursuant to the authority provided under this Compact. For any Federal law, rule, regulation, or order that remains in effect in a member State under this paragraph after the effective date, that member State shall be responsible for the associated funding obligations in its State.

(5) FUNDING.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Each Federal fiscal year, each member State shall have the right to Federal funds up to an amount equal to its member State current year funding level for that Federal fiscal year, provided by Congress as mandatory spending and not subject to annual appropriation, to support the exercise of member State authority under this Compact. Such funding shall not be condi-

tional on any action of or regulation, policy, law, or rule being adopted by the member State.

(B) INITIAL FUNDING LEVEL.—By the beginning of each Federal fiscal year, Congress shall establish an initial member State current year funding level for each member State, based upon reasonable estimates. The final member State current year funding level shall be calculated, and funding shall be reconciled by Congress based upon information provided by each member State and audited by the Government Accountability Office.

(6) INTERSTATE ADVISORY HEALTH CARE COMMISSION.—

(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—There shall be established by the members States an Interstate Advisory Health Care Commission to be composed of members appointed by each member State through a process to be determined by each member State. A member State may not appoint more than two members to the Commission and may withdraw membership from the Commission at any time. Each Commission member shall be entitled to one vote. The Commission shall not act unless a majority of the members are present, and no action shall be binding unless approved by a majority of the Commission's total membership.

(B) CHAIRPERSON; BYLAWS; MEETINGS.—The Commission shall elect from among its membership a Chairperson. The Commission may adopt and publish bylaws and policies that are not inconsistent with the Compact. The Commission shall meet at least once a year, and may meet more frequently.

(C) STUDIES AND RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Commission may study issues of health care regulation that are of particular concern to the member States. The Commission may make non-binding recommendations to the member States. The legislatures of the member States may consider such recommendations in determining the appropriate health care policies in their respective States.

(D) INFORMATION AND DATA.—The Commission shall collect information and data to assist the member States in their regulation of health care, including assessing the performance of various State health care programs and compiling information on the prices of health care. The Commission shall make this information and data available to the legislatures of the member States. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Compact, no member State shall disclose to the Commission the individually identifiable health information of any individual, nor shall the Commission disclose any such health information of any individual.

(E) FUNDING.—The Commission shall be funded by the member States as agreed to by the member States. The Commission shall have the responsibilities and duties as may be conferred upon it by subsequent action of the respective legislatures of the member States in accordance with the terms of the Compact.

(F) LIMITATION.—The Commission shall not take any action within a member State that contravenes any State law of that member State.

**SA 2878.** Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. COATS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . REPEAL OF INCREASE IN MINIMUM DEDUCTION FOR MEDICAL, DENTAL, ETC., EXPENSES.**

(a) ALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—Subsection (a) of section 213 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “10 percent” and inserting “7.5 percent”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015.

**SA 2879.** Mr. GARDNER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . EXPEDITED REPAYMENT OF LOANS BY CO-OPS.**

Section 1322(b)(3) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18042(b)(3)) is amended by striking “loans shall” and all that follows through “15 years” and inserting “loans and grants shall be repaid within 5 years”.

**SA 2880.** Mr. GARDNER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . LIMITATION ON CONSIDERING CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS IN THE SETTING OF PREMIUMS.**

A person that has received a loan under section 1322(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18042(b)) shall not take into consideration any payments made or received under sections 1341 and 1342 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 18061 and 18062) in their business plans in setting the premium amounts for enrollment in health insurance coverage offered by such person.

**SA 2881.** Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. REED, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. SANDERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . MODIFICATIONS TO RULES RELATING TO INVERTED CORPORATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 7874 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(b) INVERTED CORPORATIONS TREATED AS DOMESTIC CORPORATIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 7701(a)(4), a foreign corporation shall be treated for purposes of this title as a domestic corporation if—

“(A) such corporation would be a surrogate foreign corporation if subsection (a)(2) were applied by substituting ‘80 percent’ for ‘60 percent’, or

“(B) such corporation is an inverted domestic corporation.

“(2) INVERTED DOMESTIC CORPORATION.—For purposes of this subsection, a foreign corporation shall be treated as an inverted domestic corporation if, pursuant to a plan (or a series of related transactions)—

“(A) the entity completes after May 8, 2014, the direct or indirect acquisition of—

“(i) substantially all of the properties held directly or indirectly by a domestic corporation, or

“(ii) substantially all of the assets of, or substantially all of the properties constituting a trade or business of, a domestic partnership, and

“(B) after the acquisition, more than 50 percent of the stock (by vote or value) of the entity is held—

“(i) in the case of an acquisition with respect to a domestic corporation, by former shareholders of the domestic corporation by reason of holding stock in the domestic corporation, or

“(ii) in the case of an acquisition with respect to a domestic partnership, by former partners of the domestic partnership by reason of holding a capital or profits interest in the domestic partnership.

“(3) EXCEPTION FOR CORPORATIONS WITH SUBSTANTIAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES IN FOREIGN COUNTRY OF ORGANIZATION.—A foreign corporation described in paragraph (2) shall not be treated as an inverted domestic corporation if after the acquisition the expanded affiliated group which includes the entity has substantial business activities in the foreign country in which or under the law of which the entity is created or organized when compared to the total business activities of such expanded affiliated group. For purposes of subsection (a)(2)(B)(iii) and the preceding sentence, the term ‘substantial business activities’ shall have the meaning given such term under regulations in effect on May 8, 2014, except that the Secretary may issue regulations increasing the threshold percent in any of the tests under such regulations for determining if business activities constitute substantial business activities for purposes of this paragraph.”

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Clause (i) of section 7874(a)(2)(B) of such Code is amended by striking “after March 4, 2003,” and inserting “after March 4, 2003, and before May 9, 2014.”

(2) Subsection (c) of section 7874 of such Code is amended—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by striking “subsection (a)(2)(B)(ii)” and inserting “subsections (a)(2)(B)(ii) and (b)(2)(B)”, and

(ii) by inserting “or (b)(2)(A)” after “(a)(2)(B)(i)” in subparagraph (B),

(B) in paragraph (3), by inserting “or (b)(2)(B), as the case may be,” after “(a)(2)(B)(ii)”,

(C) in paragraph (5), by striking “subsection (a)(2)(B)(ii)” and inserting “subsections (a)(2)(B)(ii) and (b)(2)(B)”, and

(D) in paragraph (6), by inserting “or inverted domestic corporation, as the case may be,” after “surrogate foreign corporation”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years ending after May 8, 2014.

**SA 2882.** Mr. HELLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 5, beginning with line 24, strike through page 6, line 3.

**SA 2883.** Mr. BROWN (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WYDEN, and Ms. HIRONO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to

amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title I, add the following:

**SEC. 107. FMAP FOR THE MEDICAID EXPANSION POPULATION.**

Section 1905(y)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(y)(1)) is amended by striking the semicolon after “2016” and all that follows through “2020”.

**SEC. 108. FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new part:

**“PART VII—FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS**

“Sec. 59A. Fair share tax.

**“SEC. 59A. FAIR SHARE TAX.**

“(a) GENERAL RULE.—

“(1) IMPOSITION OF TAX.—In the case of any high-income taxpayer, there is hereby imposed for a taxable year (in addition to any other tax imposed by this subtitle) a tax equal to the product of—

“(A) the amount determined under paragraph (2), and

“(B) a fraction (not to exceed 1)—

“(i) the numerator of which is the excess of—

“(I) the taxpayer’s adjusted gross income, over

“(II) the dollar amount in effect under subsection (c)(1), and

“(ii) the denominator of which is the dollar amount in effect under subsection (c)(1).

“(2) AMOUNT OF TAX.—The amount of tax determined under this paragraph is an amount equal to the excess (if any) of—

“(A) the tentative fair share tax for the taxable year, over

“(B) the excess of—

“(i) the sum of—

“(I) the regular tax liability (as defined in section 26(b)) for the taxable year, determined without regard to any tax liability determined under this section,

“(II) the tax imposed by section 55 for the taxable year, plus

“(III) the payroll tax for the taxable year, over

“(ii) the credits allowable under part IV of subchapter A (other than sections 27(a), 31, and 34).

“(b) TENTATIVE FAIR SHARE TAX.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The tentative fair share tax for the taxable year is 30 percent of the excess of—

“(A) the adjusted gross income of the taxpayer, over

“(B) the modified charitable contribution deduction for the taxable year.

“(2) MODIFIED CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION DEDUCTION.—For purposes of paragraph (1)—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The modified charitable contribution deduction for any taxable year is an amount equal to the amount which bears the same ratio to the deduction allowable under section 170 (section 642(c) in the case of a trust or estate) for such taxable year as—

“(i) the amount of itemized deductions allowable under the regular tax (as defined in section 55) for such taxable year, determined after the application of section 68, bears to

“(ii) such amount, determined before the application of section 68.

“(B) TAXPAYER MUST ITEMIZE.—In the case of any individual who does not elect to

itemize deductions for the taxable year, the modified charitable contribution deduction shall be zero.

“(c) HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYER.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘high-income taxpayer’ means, with respect to any taxable year, any taxpayer (other than a corporation) with an adjusted gross income for such taxable year in excess of \$1,000,000 (50 percent of such amount in the case of a married individual who files a separate return).

“(2) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a taxable year beginning after 2016, the \$1,000,000 amount under paragraph (1) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

“(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

“(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, determined by substituting ‘calendar year 2015’ for ‘calendar year 1992’ in subparagraph (B) thereof.

“(B) ROUNDING.—If any amount as adjusted under subparagraph (A) is not a multiple of \$10,000, such amount shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of \$10,000.

“(d) PAYROLL TAX.—For purposes of this section, the payroll tax for any taxable year is an amount equal to the excess of—

“(1) the taxes imposed on the taxpayer under sections 1401, 1411, 3101, 3201, and 3211(a) (to the extent such tax is attributable to the rate of tax in effect under section 3101) with respect to such taxable year or wages or compensation received during such taxable year, over

“(2) the deduction allowable under section 164(f) for such taxable year.

“(e) SPECIAL RULE FOR ESTATES AND TRUSTS.—For purposes of this section, in the case of an estate or trust, adjusted gross income shall be computed in the manner described in section 67(e).

“(f) NOT TREATED AS TAX IMPOSED BY THIS CHAPTER FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.—The tax imposed under this section shall not be treated as tax imposed by this chapter for purposes of determining the amount of any credit under this chapter (other than the credit allowed under section 27(a)) or for purposes of section 55.”

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of parts for subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“PART VII—FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015.

**SEC. 109. MODIFICATION OF LIMITATION ON EXCESSIVE REMUNERATION.**

(a) REPEAL OF PERFORMANCE-BASED COMPENSATION AND COMMISSION EXCEPTIONS FOR LIMITATION ON EXCESSIVE REMUNERATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (4) of section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subparagraphs (B) and (C) and by redesignating subparagraphs (D) through (G) as subparagraphs (B) through (E), respectively.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(A) Section 162(m)(5) of such Code is amended—

(i) by striking “subparagraphs (B), (C), and (D) thereof” in subparagraph (E) and inserting “subparagraph (B) thereof”, and

(ii) by striking “subparagraphs (F) and (G)” in subparagraph (G) and inserting “subparagraphs (D) and (E)”.

(B) Section 162(m)(6) of such Code is amended—

(i) by striking “subparagraphs (B), (C), and (D) thereof” in subparagraph (D) and inserting “subparagraph (B) thereof”, and

(ii) by striking “subparagraphs (F) and (G)” in subparagraph (G) and inserting “subparagraphs (D) and (E)”.

(b) EXPANSION OF APPLICABLE EMPLOYER.—Paragraph (2) of section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(2) PUBLICLY HELD CORPORATION.—For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘publicly held corporation’ means any corporation which is an issuer (as defined in section 3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78c))—

“(A) the securities of which are registered under section 12 of such Act (15 U.S.C. 78l), or

“(B) that is required to file reports under section 15(d) of such Act (15 U.S.C. 78o(d)).”

(c) APPLICATION TO ALL CURRENT AND FORMER OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND EMPLOYEES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended by subsection (a), is amended—

(A) by striking “covered employee” each place it appears in paragraphs (1) and (4) and inserting “covered individual”, and

(B) by striking “such employee” each place it appears in subparagraphs (A) and (E) of paragraph (4) and inserting “such individual”.

(2) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—Paragraph (3) of section 162(m) of such Code is amended to read as follows:

“(3) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘covered individual’ means any individual who is an officer, director, or employee of the taxpayer or a former officer, director, or employee of the taxpayer.”

(3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(A) Section 48D(b)(3)(A) of such Code is amended by inserting “(as in effect for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2016)” after “section 162(m)(3)”.

(B) Section 409A(b)(3)(D)(ii) of such Code is amended by inserting “(as in effect for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2016)” after “section 162(m)(3)”.

(d) SPECIAL RULE FOR REMUNERATION PAID TO BENEFICIARIES, ETC.—Paragraph (4) of section 162(m), as amended by subsection (a), is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(F) SPECIAL RULE FOR REMUNERATION PAID TO BENEFICIARIES, ETC.—Remuneration shall not fail to be applicable employee remuneration merely because it is includible in the income of, or paid to, a person other than the covered individual, including after the death of the covered individual.”

(e) REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(7) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may prescribe such guidance, rules, or regulations, including with respect to reporting, as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this subsection.”

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (6) of section 162(m) of such Code is amended by striking subparagraph (H).

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015.

**SEC. 110. MODIFICATIONS TO RULES RELATING TO INVERTED CORPORATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 7874 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(b) INVERTED CORPORATIONS TREATED AS DOMESTIC CORPORATIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 7701(a)(4), a foreign corporation shall be treated for purposes of this title as a domestic corporation if—

“(A) such corporation would be a surrogate foreign corporation if subsection (a)(2) were

applied by substituting ‘80 percent’ for ‘60 percent’, or

“(B) such corporation is an inverted domestic corporation.

“(2) INVERTED DOMESTIC CORPORATION.—For purposes of this subsection, a foreign corporation shall be treated as an inverted domestic corporation if, pursuant to a plan (or a series of related transactions)—

“(A) the entity completes after May 8, 2014, the direct or indirect acquisition of—

“(i) substantially all of the properties held directly or indirectly by a domestic corporation, or

“(ii) substantially all of the assets of, or substantially all of the properties constituting a trade or business of, a domestic partnership, and

“(B) after the acquisition, more than 50 percent of the stock (by vote or value) of the entity is held—

“(i) in the case of an acquisition with respect to a domestic corporation, by former shareholders of the domestic corporation by reason of holding stock in the domestic corporation, or

“(ii) in the case of an acquisition with respect to a domestic partnership, by former partners of the domestic partnership by reason of holding a capital or profits interest in the domestic partnership.

“(3) EXCEPTION FOR CORPORATIONS WITH SUBSTANTIAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES IN FOREIGN COUNTRY OF ORGANIZATION.—A foreign corporation described in paragraph (2) shall not be treated as an inverted domestic corporation if after the acquisition the expanded affiliated group which includes the entity has substantial business activities in the foreign country in which or under the law of which the entity is created or organized when compared to the total business activities of such expanded affiliated group. For purposes of subsection (a)(2)(B)(iii) and the preceding sentence, the term ‘substantial business activities’ shall have the meaning given such term under regulations in effect on May 8, 2014, except that the Secretary may issue regulations increasing the threshold percent in any of the tests under such regulations for determining if business activities constitute substantial business activities for purposes of this paragraph.”

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Clause (i) of section 7874(a)(2)(B) of such Code is amended by striking “after March 4, 2003,” and inserting “after March 4, 2003, and before May 9, 2014.”

(2) Subsection (c) of section 7874 of such Code is amended—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by striking “subsection (a)(2)(B)(ii)” and inserting “subsections (a)(2)(B)(ii) and (b)(2)(B)”, and

(ii) by inserting “or (b)(2)(A)” after “(a)(2)(B)(i)” in subparagraph (B).

(B) in paragraph (3), by inserting “or (b)(2)(B), as the case may be,” after “(a)(2)(B)(ii)”.

(C) in paragraph (5), by striking “subsection (a)(2)(B)(ii)” and inserting “subsections (a)(2)(B)(ii) and (b)(2)(B)”, and

(D) in paragraph (6), by inserting “or inverted domestic corporation, as the case may be,” after “surrogate foreign corporation”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years ending after May 8, 2014.

**SA 2884.** Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016;

which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . SAFE AND AFFORDABLE DRUGS FROM CANADA.**

Chapter VIII of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 381 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

**“SEC. 810. IMPORTATION BY INDIVIDUALS OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS FROM CANADA.**

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary shall promulgate regulations permitting individuals to safely import into the United States a prescription drug described in subsection (b).

“(b) PRESCRIPTION DRUG.—A prescription drug described in this subsection—

“(1) is a prescription drug that—

“(A) is purchased from an approved Canadian pharmacy;

“(B) is dispensed by a pharmacist licensed to practice pharmacy and dispense prescription drugs in Canada;

“(C) is purchased for personal use by the individual, not for resale, in quantities that do not exceed a 90-day supply;

“(D) is filled using a valid prescription issued by a physician licensed to practice in a State in the United States; and

“(E) has the same active ingredient or ingredients, route of administration, dosage form, and strength as a prescription drug approved by the Secretary under chapter V; and

“(2) does not include—

“(A) a controlled substance (as defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802));

“(B) a biological product (as defined in section 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262));

“(C) an infused drug (including a peritoneal dialysis solution);

“(D) an intravenously injected drug;

“(E) a drug that is inhaled during surgery;

“(F) a parenteral drug;

“(G) a drug manufactured through 1 or more biotechnology processes, including—

“(i) a therapeutic DNA plasmid product;

“(ii) a therapeutic synthetic peptide product of not more than 40 amino acids;

“(iii) a monoclonal antibody product for in vivo use; and

“(iv) a therapeutic recombinant DNA-derived product;

“(H) a drug required to be refrigerated at any time during manufacturing, packing, processing, or holding; or

“(I) a photoreactive drug.

“(c) APPROVED CANADIAN PHARMACY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, an approved Canadian pharmacy is a pharmacy that—

“(A) is located in Canada; and

“(B) that the Secretary certifies—

“(i) is licensed to operate and dispense prescription drugs to individuals in Canada; and

“(ii) meets the criteria under paragraph (3).

“(2) PUBLICATION OF APPROVED CANADIAN PHARMACIES.—The Secretary shall publish on the Internet Web site of the Food and Drug Administration a list of approved Canadian pharmacies, including the Internet Web site address of each such approved Canadian pharmacy, from which individuals may purchase prescription drugs in accordance with subsection (a).

“(3) ADDITIONAL CRITERIA.—To be an approved Canadian pharmacy, the Secretary shall certify that the pharmacy—

“(A) has been in existence for a period of at least 5 years preceding the date of such cer-

tification and has a purpose other than to participate in the program established under this section;

“(B) operates in accordance with pharmacy standards set forth by the provincial pharmacy rules and regulations enacted in Canada;

“(C) has processes established by the pharmacy, or participates in another established process, to certify that the physical premises and data reporting procedures and licenses are in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations, and has implemented policies designed to monitor ongoing compliance with such laws and regulations;

“(D) conducts or commits to participate in ongoing and comprehensive quality assurance programs and implements such quality assurance measures, including blind testing, to ensure the veracity and reliability of the findings of the quality assurance program;

“(E) agrees that laboratories approved by the Secretary shall be used to conduct product testing to determine the safety and efficacy of sample pharmaceutical products;

“(F) has established, or will establish or participate in, a process for resolving grievances and will be held accountable for violations of established guidelines and rules;

“(G) does not resell products from online pharmacies located outside Canada to customers in the United States; and

“(H) meets any other criteria established by the Secretary.”

**SA 2885.** Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. KIRK) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 101.

**SA 2886.** Mr. REID submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . PROHIBITION ON FIREARM POSSESSION.**

Section 922 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)(9), by inserting “or of a misdemeanor offense described in section 248(a) that involves force, the threat of force, or violent physical obstruction” before the period at the end; and

(2) in subsection (g)(9), by inserting “or of a misdemeanor offense described in section 248(a) that involves force, the threat of force, or violent physical obstruction” before the comma at the end.

**SA 2887.** Ms. HIRONO (for herself and Mr. BROWN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of the bill, add the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . FEDERAL PELL GRANTS.**

Section 401(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “The amount” and inserting “Except as provided in paragraph (8), the amount”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(8) MANDATORY FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEARS 2016 THROUGH 2020.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—For each of fiscal years 2016 through 2020, there are authorized to be appropriated, and there are appropriated \$26,354,000,000 to carry out this section, which amount shall be increased for each of such fiscal years by a percentage equal to the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (as determined by the Secretary, using the definition in section 478(f)) for the most recent calendar year ending prior to the beginning of that fiscal year.

“(B) PROHIBITION OF DISCRETIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.—No funds other than funds provided under subparagraph (A) shall be appropriated to carry out this section for the period of fiscal years described in subparagraph (A).”

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . SPECIAL RULES FOR PARTNERS PROVIDING INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO PARTNERSHIPS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part I of subchapter K of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**“SEC. 710. SPECIAL RULES FOR PARTNERS PROVIDING INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO PARTNERSHIPS.**

“(a) TREATMENT OF DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF PARTNERSHIP ITEMS.—For purposes of this title, in the case of an investment services partnership interest—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 702(b)—

“(A) an amount equal to the net capital gain with respect to such interest for any partnership taxable year shall be treated as ordinary income, and

“(B) subject to the limitation of paragraph (2), an amount equal to the net capital loss with respect to such interest for any partnership taxable year shall be treated as an ordinary loss.

“(2) RECHARACTERIZATION OF LOSSES LIMITED TO RECHARACTERIZED GAINS.—The amount treated as ordinary loss under paragraph (1)(B) for any taxable year shall not exceed the excess (if any) of—

“(A) the aggregate amount treated as ordinary income under paragraph (1)(A) with respect to the investment services partnership interest for all preceding partnership taxable years to which this section applies, over

“(B) the aggregate amount treated as ordinary loss under paragraph (1)(B) with respect to such interest for all preceding partnership taxable years to which this section applies.

“(3) ALLOCATION TO ITEMS OF GAIN AND LOSS.—

“(A) NET CAPITAL GAIN.—The amount treated as ordinary income under paragraph (1)(A) shall be allocated ratably among the items of long-term capital gain taken into account in determining such net capital gain.

“(B) NET CAPITAL LOSS.—The amount treated as ordinary loss under paragraph (1)(B) shall be allocated ratably among the items of long-term capital loss and short-term capital loss taken into account in determining such net capital loss.

“(4) TERMS RELATING TO CAPITAL GAINS AND LOSSES.—For purposes of this section—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Net capital gain, long-term capital gain, and long-term capital loss, with respect to any investment services partnership interest for any taxable year, shall be determined under section 1222, except that such section shall be applied—

“(i) without regard to the recharacterization of any item as ordinary income or ordinary loss under this section,



“(ii) by only taking into account items of gain and loss taken into account by the holder of such interest under section 702 (other than subsection (a)(9) thereof) with respect to such interest for such taxable year, and

“(iii) by treating property which is taken into account in determining gains and losses to which section 1231 applies as capital assets held for more than 1 year.

“(B) NET CAPITAL LOSS.—The term ‘net capital loss’ means the excess of the losses from sales or exchanges of capital assets over the gains from such sales or exchanges. Rules similar to the rules of clauses (i) through (iii) of subparagraph (A) shall apply for purposes of the preceding sentence.

“(5) SPECIAL RULE FOR DIVIDENDS.—Any dividend allocated with respect to any investment services partnership interest shall not be treated as qualified dividend income for purposes of section 1(h).

“(6) SPECIAL RULE FOR QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS STOCK.—Section 1202 shall not apply to any gain from the sale or exchange of qualified small business stock (as defined in section 1202(c)) allocated with respect to any investment services partnership interest.

“(b) DISPOSITIONS OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS.—

“(1) GAIN.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Any gain on the disposition of an investment services partnership interest shall be—

“(i) treated as ordinary income, and

“(ii) recognized notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle.

“(B) GIFT AND TRANSFERS AT DEATH.—In the case of a disposition of an investment services partnership interest by gift or by reason of death of the taxpayer—

“(i) subparagraph (A) shall not apply,

“(ii) such interest shall be treated as an investment services partnership interest in the hands of the person acquiring such interest, and

“(iii) any amount that would have been treated as ordinary income under this subsection had the decedent sold such interest immediately before death shall be treated as an item of income in respect of a decedent under section 691.

“(2) LOSS.—Any loss on the disposition of an investment services partnership interest shall be treated as an ordinary loss to the extent of the excess (if any) of—

“(A) the aggregate amount treated as ordinary income under subsection (a) with respect to such interest for all partnership taxable years to which this section applies, over

“(B) the aggregate amount treated as ordinary loss under subsection (a) with respect to such interest for all partnership taxable years to which this section applies.

“(3) ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN EXCHANGES.—Paragraph (1)(A)(ii) shall not apply to the contribution of an investment services partnership interest to a partnership in exchange for an interest in such partnership if—

“(A) the taxpayer makes an irrevocable election to treat the partnership interest received in the exchange as an investment services partnership interest, and

“(B) the taxpayer agrees to comply with such reporting and recordkeeping requirements as the Secretary may prescribe.

“(4) DISTRIBUTIONS OF PARTNERSHIP PROPERTY.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any distribution of property by a partnership with respect to any investment services partnership interest held by a partner, the partner receiving such property shall recognize gain equal to the excess (if any) of—

“(i) the fair market value of such property at the time of such distribution, over

“(ii) the adjusted basis of such property in the hands of such partner (determined without regard to subparagraph (C)).

“(B) TREATMENT OF GAIN AS ORDINARY INCOME.—Any gain recognized by such partner under subparagraph (A) shall be treated as ordinary income to the same extent and in the same manner as the increase in such partner’s distributive share of the taxable income of the partnership would be treated under subsection (a) if, immediately prior to the distribution, the partnership had sold the distributed property at fair market value and all of the gain from such disposition were allocated to such partner. For purposes of applying subsection (a)(2), any gain treated as ordinary income under this subparagraph shall be treated as an amount treated as ordinary income under subsection (a)(1)(A).

“(C) ADJUSTMENT OF BASIS.—In the case of a distribution to which subparagraph (A) applies, the basis of the distributed property in the hands of the distributee partner shall be the fair market value of such property.

“(D) SPECIAL RULES WITH RESPECT TO MERGERS, DIVISIONS, AND TECHNICAL TERMINATIONS.—In the case of a taxpayer which satisfies requirements similar to the requirements of subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (3), this paragraph and paragraph (1)(A)(ii) shall not apply to the distribution of a partnership interest if such distribution is in connection with a contribution (or deemed contribution) of any property of the partnership to which section 721 applies pursuant to a transaction described in paragraph (1)(B) or (2) of section 708(b).

“(c) INVESTMENT SERVICES PARTNERSHIP INTEREST.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘investment services partnership interest’ means any interest in an investment partnership acquired or held by any person in connection with the conduct of a trade or business described in paragraph (2) by such person (or any person related to such person). An interest in an investment partnership held by any person—

“(A) shall not be treated as an investment services partnership interest for any period before the first date on which it is so held in connection with such a trade or business,

“(B) shall not cease to be an investment services partnership interest merely because such person holds such interest other than in connection with such a trade or business, and

“(C) shall be treated as an investment services partnership interest if acquired from a related person in whose hands such interest was an investment services partnership interest.

“(2) BUSINESSES TO WHICH THIS SECTION APPLIES.—A trade or business is described in this paragraph if such trade or business primarily involves the performance of any of the following services with respect to assets held (directly or indirectly) by one or more investment partnerships referred to in paragraph (1):

“(A) Advising as to the advisability of investing in, purchasing, or selling any specified asset.

“(B) Managing, acquiring, or disposing of any specified asset.

“(C) Arranging financing with respect to acquiring specified assets.

“(D) Any activity in support of any service described in subparagraphs (A) through (C).

“(3) INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘investment partnership’ means any partnership if, at the end of any two consecutive calendar quarters ending after the date of enactment of this section—

“(i) substantially all of the assets of the partnership are specified assets (determined

without regard to any section 197 intangible within the meaning of section 197(d)), and

“(ii) less than 75 percent of the capital of the partnership is attributable to qualified capital interests which constitute property held in connection with a trade or business of the owner of such interest.

“(B) LOOK-THROUGH OF CERTAIN WHOLLY OWNED ENTITIES FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING ASSETS OF THE PARTNERSHIP.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of determining the assets of a partnership under subparagraph (A)(i)—

“(I) any interest in a specified entity shall not be treated as an asset of such partnership, and

“(II) such partnership shall be treated as holding its proportionate share of each of the assets of such specified entity.

“(ii) SPECIFIED ENTITY.—For purposes of clause (i), the term ‘specified entity’ means, with respect to any partnership (hereafter referred to as the upper-tier partnership), any person which engages in the same trade or business as the upper-tier partnership and is—

“(I) a partnership all of the capital and profits interests of which are held directly or indirectly by the upper-tier partnership, or

“(II) a foreign corporation which does not engage in a trade or business in the United States and all of the stock of which is held directly or indirectly by the upper-tier partnership.

“(C) SPECIAL RULES FOR DETERMINING IF PROPERTY HELD IN CONNECTION WITH TRADE OR BUSINESS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided by the Secretary, solely for purposes of determining whether any interest in a partnership constitutes property held in connection with a trade or business under subparagraph (A)(ii)—

“(I) a trade or business of any person closely related to the owner of such interest shall be treated as a trade or business of such owner,

“(II) such interest shall be treated as held by a person in connection with a trade or business during any taxable year if such interest was so held by such person during any 3 taxable years preceding such taxable year, and

“(III) paragraph (5)(B) shall not apply.

“(ii) CLOSELY RELATED PERSONS.—For purposes of clause (i)(I), a person shall be treated as closely related to another person if, taking into account the rules of section 267(c), the relationship between such persons is described in—

“(I) paragraph (1) or (9) of section 267(b), or

“(II) section 267(b)(4), but solely in the case of a trust with respect to which each current beneficiary is the grantor or a person whose relationship to the grantor is described in paragraph (1) or (9) of section 267(b).

“(D) ANTIABUSE RULES.—The Secretary may issue regulations or other guidance which prevent the avoidance of the purposes of subparagraph (A), including regulations or other guidance which treat convertible and contingent debt (and other debt having the attributes of equity) as a capital interest in the partnership.

“(E) CONTROLLED GROUPS OF ENTITIES.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a controlled group of entities, if an interest in the partnership received in exchange for a contribution to the capital of the partnership by any member of such controlled group would (in the hands of such member) constitute property held in connection with a trade or business, then any interest in such partnership held by any member of such group shall be treated for purposes of subparagraph (A) as constituting (in the hands of such member) property held in connection with a trade or business.

“(ii) CONTROLLED GROUP OF ENTITIES.—For purposes of clause (i), the term ‘controlled group of entities’ means a controlled group of corporations as defined in section 1563(a)(1), applied without regard to subsections (a)(4) and (b)(2) of section 1563. A partnership or any other entity (other than a corporation) shall be treated as a member of a controlled group of entities if such entity is controlled (within the meaning of section 954(d)(3)) by members of such group (including any entity treated as a member of such group by reason of this sentence).

“(F) SPECIAL RULE FOR CORPORATIONS.—For purposes of this paragraph, in the case of a corporation, the determination of whether property is held in connection with a trade or business shall be determined as if the taxpayer were an individual.

“(4) SPECIFIED ASSET.—The term ‘specified asset’ means securities (as defined in section 475(c)(2) without regard to the last sentence thereof), real estate held for rental or investment, interests in partnerships, commodities (as defined in section 475(e)(2)), cash or cash equivalents, or options or derivative contracts with respect to any of the foregoing.

“(5) RELATED PERSONS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A person shall be treated as related to another person if the relationship between such persons is described in section 267(b) or 707(b).

“(B) ATTRIBUTION OF PARTNER SERVICES.—Any service described in paragraph (2) which is provided by a partner of a partnership shall be treated as also provided by such partnership.

“(d) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN CAPITAL INTERESTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any portion of an investment services partnership interest which is a qualified capital interest, all items of gain and loss (and any dividends) which are allocated to such qualified capital interest shall not be taken into account under subsection (a) if—

“(A) allocations of items are made by the partnership to such qualified capital interest in the same manner as such allocations are made to other qualified capital interests held by partners who do not provide any services described in subsection (c)(2) and who are not related to the partner holding the qualified capital interest, and

“(B) the allocations made to such other interests are significant compared to the allocations made to such qualified capital interest.

“(2) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS TO ALLOCATION REQUIREMENTS.—To the extent provided by the Secretary in regulations or other guidance—

“(A) ALLOCATIONS TO PORTION OF QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTEREST.—Paragraph (1) may be applied separately with respect to a portion of a qualified capital interest.

“(B) NO OR INSIGNIFICANT ALLOCATIONS TO NONSERVICE PROVIDERS.—In any case in which the requirements of paragraph (1)(B) are not satisfied, items of gain and loss (and any dividends) shall not be taken into account under subsection (a) to the extent that such items are properly allocable under such regulations or other guidance to qualified capital interests.

“(C) ALLOCATIONS TO SERVICE PROVIDERS’ QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTERESTS WHICH ARE LESS THAN OTHER ALLOCATIONS.—Allocations shall not be treated as failing to meet the requirement of paragraph (1)(A) merely because the allocations to the qualified capital interest represent a lower return than the allocations made to the other qualified capital interests referred to in such paragraph.

“(3) SPECIAL RULE FOR CHANGES IN SERVICES AND CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—In the case of an interest in a partnership which was not an investment services partnership interest

and which, by reason of a change in the services with respect to assets held (directly or indirectly) by the partnership or by reason of a change in the capital contributions to such partnership, becomes an investment services partnership interest, the qualified capital interest of the holder of such partnership interest immediately after such change shall not, for purposes of this subsection, be less than the fair market value of such interest (determined immediately before such change).

“(4) SPECIAL RULE FOR TIERED PARTNERSHIPS.—Except as otherwise provided by the Secretary, in the case of tiered partnerships, all items which are allocated in a manner which meets the requirements of paragraph (1) to qualified capital interests in a lower-tier partnership shall retain such character to the extent allocated on the basis of qualified capital interests in any upper-tier partnership.

“(5) EXCEPTION FOR NO-SELF-CHARGED CARRY AND MANAGEMENT FEE PROVISIONS.—Except as otherwise provided by the Secretary, an interest shall not fail to be treated as satisfying the requirement of paragraph (1)(A) merely because the allocations made by the partnership to such interest do not reflect the cost of services described in subsection (c)(2) which are provided (directly or indirectly) to the partnership by the holder of such interest (or a related person).

“(6) SPECIAL RULE FOR DISPOSITIONS.—In the case of any investment services partnership interest any portion of which is a qualified capital interest, subsection (b) shall not apply to so much of any gain or loss as bears the same proportion to the entire amount of such gain or loss as—

“(A) the distributive share of gain or loss that would have been allocated to the qualified capital interest (consistent with the requirements of paragraph (1)) if the partnership had sold all of its assets at fair market value immediately before the disposition, bears to

“(B) the distributive share of gain or loss that would have been so allocated to the investment services partnership interest of which such qualified capital interest is a part.

“(7) QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTEREST.—For purposes of this section—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified capital interest’ means so much of a partner’s interest in the capital of the partnership as is attributable to—

“(i) the fair market value of any money or other property contributed to the partnership in exchange for such interest (determined without regard to section 752(a)),

“(ii) any amounts which have been included in gross income under section 83 with respect to the transfer of such interest, and

“(iii) the excess (if any) of—

“(I) any items of income and gain taken into account under section 702 with respect to such interest, over

“(II) any items of deduction and loss so taken into account.

“(B) ADJUSTMENT TO QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTEREST.—

“(i) DISTRIBUTIONS AND LOSSES.—The qualified capital interest shall be reduced by distributions from the partnership with respect to such interest and by the excess (if any) of the amount described in subparagraph (A)(iii)(II) over the amount described in subparagraph (A)(iii)(I).

“(ii) SPECIAL RULE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS OF PROPERTY.—In the case of any contribution of property described in subparagraph (A)(i) with respect to which the fair market value of such property is not equal to the adjusted basis of such property immediately before such contribution, proper adjustments shall be made to the qualified capital interest to

take into account such difference consistent with such regulations or other guidance as the Secretary may provide.

“(C) TECHNICAL TERMINATIONS, ETC., DISREGARDED.—No increase or decrease in the qualified capital interest of any partner shall result from a termination, merger, consolidation, or division described in section 708, or any similar transaction.

“(8) TREATMENT OF CERTAIN LOANS.—

“(A) PROCEEDS OF PARTNERSHIP LOANS NOT TREATED AS QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTEREST OF SERVICE PROVIDING PARTNERS.—For purposes of this subsection, an investment services partnership interest shall not be treated as a qualified capital interest to the extent that such interest is acquired in connection with the proceeds of any loan or other advance made or guaranteed, directly or indirectly, by any other partner or the partnership (or any person related to any such other partner or the partnership). The preceding sentence shall not apply to the extent the loan or other advance is repaid before the date of the enactment of this section unless such repayment is made with the proceeds of a loan or other advance described in the preceding sentence.

“(B) REDUCTION IN ALLOCATIONS TO QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTERESTS FOR LOANS FROM NON-SERVICE-PROVIDING PARTNERS TO THE PARTNERSHIP.—For purposes of this subsection, any loan or other advance to the partnership made or guaranteed, directly or indirectly, by a partner not providing services described in subsection (c)(2) to the partnership (or any person related to such partner) shall be taken into account in determining the qualified capital interests of the partners in the partnership.

“(9) SPECIAL RULE FOR QUALIFIED FAMILY PARTNERSHIPS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any specified family partnership interest, paragraph (1)(A) shall be applied without regard to the phrase ‘and who are not related to the partner holding the qualified capital interest’.

“(B) SPECIFIED FAMILY PARTNERSHIP INTEREST.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term ‘specified family partnership interest’ means any investment services partnership interest if—

“(i) such interest is an interest in a qualified family partnership.

“(ii) such interest is held by a natural person or by a trust with respect to which each beneficiary is a grantor or a person whose relationship to the grantor is described in section 267(b)(1), and

“(iii) all other interests in such qualified family partnership with respect to which significant allocations are made (within the meaning of paragraph (1)(B) and in comparison to the allocations made to the interest described in clause (ii)) are held by persons who—

“(I) are related to the natural person or trust referred to in clause (ii), or

“(II) provide services described in subsection (c)(2).

“(C) QUALIFIED FAMILY PARTNERSHIP.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term ‘qualified family partnership’ means any partnership if—

“(i) all of the capital and profits interests of such partnership are held by—

“(I) specified family members,

“(II) any person closely related (within the meaning of subsection (c)(3)(C)(ii)) to a specified family member, or

“(III) any other person (not described in subclause (I) or (II)) if such interest is an investment services partnership interest with respect to such person, and

“(ii) such partnership does not hold itself out to the public as an investment advisor.

“(D) SPECIFIED FAMILY MEMBERS.—For purposes of subparagraph (C), individuals shall



be treated as specified family members if such individuals would be treated as one person under the rules of section 1361(c)(1) if the applicable date (within the meaning of subparagraph (B)(iii) thereof) were the latest of—

“(i) the date of the establishment of the partnership,

“(ii) the earliest date that the common ancestor holds a capital or profits interest in the partnership, or

“(iii) the date of the enactment of this section.

“(e) OTHER INCOME AND GAIN IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—If—

“(A) a person performs (directly or indirectly) investment management services for any investment entity,

“(B) such person holds (directly or indirectly) a disqualified interest with respect to such entity, and

“(C) the value of such interest (or payments thereunder) is substantially related to the amount of income or gain (whether or not realized) from the assets with respect to which the investment management services are performed,

any income or gain with respect to such interest shall be treated as ordinary income. Rules similar to the rules of subsections (a)(5) and (d) shall apply for purposes of this subsection.

“(2) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this subsection—

“(A) DISQUALIFIED INTEREST.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘disqualified interest’ means, with respect to any investment entity—

“(I) any interest in such entity other than indebtedness,

“(II) convertible or contingent debt of such entity,

“(III) any option or other right to acquire property described in subclause (I) or (II), and

“(IV) any derivative instrument entered into (directly or indirectly) with such entity or any investor in such entity.

“(ii) EXCEPTIONS.—Such term shall not include—

“(I) a partnership interest,

“(II) except as provided by the Secretary, any interest in a taxable corporation, and

“(III) except as provided by the Secretary, stock in an S corporation.

“(B) TAXABLE CORPORATION.—The term ‘taxable corporation’ means—

“(i) a domestic C corporation, or

“(ii) a foreign corporation substantially all of the income of which is—

“(I) effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States, or

“(II) subject to a comprehensive foreign income tax (as defined in section 457A(d)(2)).

“(C) INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES.—The term ‘investment management services’ means a substantial quantity of any of the services described in subsection (c)(2).

“(D) INVESTMENT ENTITY.—The term ‘investment entity’ means any entity which, if it were a partnership, would be an investment partnership.

“(f) EXCEPTION FOR DOMESTIC C CORPORATIONS.—Except as otherwise provided by the Secretary, in the case of a domestic C corporation—

“(1) subsections (a) and (b) shall not apply to any item allocated to such corporation with respect to any investment services partnership interest (or to any gain or loss with respect to the disposition of such an interest), and

“(2) subsection (e) shall not apply.

“(g) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations or other guidance

as is necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section, including regulations or other guidance to—

“(1) require such reporting and record-keeping by any person in such manner and at such time as the Secretary may prescribe for purposes of enabling the partnership to meet the requirements of section 6031 with respect to any item described in section 702(a)(9),

“(2) provide modifications to the application of this section (including treating related persons as not related to one another) to the extent such modification is consistent with the purposes of this section,

“(3) prevent the avoidance of the purposes of this section (including through the use of qualified family partnerships), and

“(4) coordinate this section with the other provisions of this title.

“(h) CROSS REFERENCE.—For 40-percent penalty on certain underpayments due to the avoidance of this section, see section 6662.”.

(b) APPLICATION OF SECTION 751 TO INDIRECT DISPOSITIONS OF INVESTMENT SERVICES PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 751 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “or” at the end of paragraph (1), by inserting “or” at the end of paragraph (2), and by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:

“(3) investment services partnership interests held by the partnership.”.

(2) CERTAIN DISTRIBUTIONS TREATED AS SALES OR EXCHANGES.—Subparagraph (A) of section 751(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking “or” at the end of clause (i), by inserting “or” at the end of clause (ii), and by inserting after clause (ii) the following new clause:

“(iii) investment services partnership interests held by the partnership.”.

(3) APPLICATION OF SPECIAL RULES IN THE CASE OF TIERED PARTNERSHIPS.—Subsection (f) of section 751 of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking “or” at the end of paragraph (1), by inserting “or” at the end of paragraph (2), and by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:

“(3) an investment services partnership interest held by the partnership.”, and

(B) by striking “partner.” and inserting “partner (other than a partnership in which it holds an investment services partnership interest).”.

(4) INVESTMENT SERVICES PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS; QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTERESTS.—Section 751 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(g) INVESTMENT SERVICES PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘investment services partnership interest’ has the meaning given such term by section 710(c).

“(2) ADJUSTMENTS FOR QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTERESTS.—The amount to which subsection (a) applies by reason of paragraph (3) thereof shall not include so much of such amount as is attributable to any portion of the investment services partnership interest which is a qualified capital interest (determined under rules similar to the rules of section 710(d)).

“(3) EXCEPTION FOR PUBLICLY TRADED PARTNERSHIPS.—Except as otherwise provided by the Secretary, in the case of an exchange of an interest in a publicly traded partnership (as defined in section 7704) to which subsection (a) applies—

“(A) this section shall be applied without regard to subsections (a)(3), (b)(1)(A)(iii), and (f)(3), and

“(B) such partnership shall be treated as owning its proportionate share of the property of any other partnership in which it is a partner.

“(4) RECOGNITION OF GAINS.—Any gain with respect to which subsection (a) applies by reason of paragraph (3) thereof shall be rec-

ognized notwithstanding any other provision of this title.

“(5) COORDINATION WITH INVENTORY ITEMS.—An investment services partnership interest held by the partnership shall not be treated as an inventory item of the partnership.

“(6) PREVENTION OF DOUBLE COUNTING.—Under regulations or other guidance prescribed by the Secretary, subsection (a)(3) shall not apply with respect to any amount to which section 710 applies.

“(7) VALUATION METHODS.—The Secretary shall prescribe regulations or other guidance which provide the acceptable methods for valuing investment services partnership interests for purposes of this section.”.

(c) TREATMENT FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 7704.—Subsection (d) of section 7704 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(6) INCOME FROM CERTAIN CARRIED INTERESTS NOT QUALIFIED.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Specified carried interest income shall not be treated as qualifying income.

“(B) SPECIFIED CARRIED INTEREST INCOME.—For purposes of this paragraph—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘specified carried interest income’ means—

“(I) any item of income or gain allocated to an investment services partnership interest (as defined in section 710(c)) held by the partnership,

“(II) any gain on the disposition of an investment services partnership interest (as so defined) or a partnership interest to which (in the hands of the partnership) section 751 applies, and

“(III) any income or gain taken into account by the partnership under subsection (b)(4) or (e) of section 710.

“(ii) EXCEPTION FOR QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTERESTS.—A rule similar to the rule of section 710(d) shall apply for purposes of clause (i).

“(C) COORDINATION WITH OTHER PROVISIONS.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to any item described in paragraph (1)(E) (or so much of paragraph (1)(F) as relates to paragraph (1)(E)).

“(D) SPECIAL RULES FOR CERTAIN PARTNERSHIPS.—

“(i) CERTAIN PARTNERSHIPS OWNED BY REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply in the case of a partnership which meets each of the following requirements:

“(I) Such partnership is treated as publicly traded under this section solely by reason of interests in such partnership being convertible into interests in a real estate investment trust which is publicly traded.

“(II) Fifty percent or more of the capital and profits interests of such partnership are owned, directly or indirectly, at all times during the taxable year by such real estate investment trust (determined with the application of section 267(c)).

“(III) Such partnership meets the requirements of paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of section 856(c).

“(ii) CERTAIN PARTNERSHIPS OWNING OTHER PUBLICLY TRADED PARTNERSHIPS.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply in the case of a partnership which meets each of the following requirements:

“(I) Substantially all of the assets of such partnership consist of interests in one or more publicly traded partnerships (determined without regard to subsection (b)(2)).

“(II) Substantially all of the income of such partnership is ordinary income or section 1231 gain (as defined in section 1231(a)(3)).

“(E) TRANSITIONAL RULE.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to any taxable year of the partnership beginning before the date which

is 10 years after the date of the enactment of this paragraph.”.

(d) IMPOSITION OF PENALTY ON UNDERPAYMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 6662 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after paragraph (7) the following new paragraph:

“(8) The application of section 710(e) or the regulations or other guidance prescribed under section 710(g) to prevent the avoidance of the purposes of section 710.”.

(2) AMOUNT OF PENALTY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Section 6662 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(k) INCREASE IN PENALTY IN CASE OF PROPERTY TRANSFERRED FOR INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES.—In the case of any portion of an underpayment to which this section applies by reason of subsection (b)(8), subsection (a) shall be applied with respect to such portion by substituting ‘40 percent’ for ‘20 percent’.”.

(B) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subparagraph (B) of section 6662A(e)(2) of such Code is amended by striking “or (i)” and inserting “, (i), or (k)”.

(3) SPECIAL RULES FOR APPLICATION OF REASONABLE CAUSE EXCEPTION.—Subsection (c) of section 6664 of such Code is amended—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively;

(B) by striking “paragraph (3)” in paragraph (5)(A), as so redesignated, and inserting “paragraph (4)”;

(C) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:

“(3) SPECIAL RULE FOR UNDERPAYMENTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to any portion of an underpayment to which section 6662 applies by reason of subsection (b)(8) unless—

“(i) the relevant facts affecting the tax treatment of the item are adequately disclosed,

“(ii) there is or was substantial authority for such treatment, and

“(iii) the taxpayer reasonably believed that such treatment was more likely than not the proper treatment.

“(B) RULES RELATING TO REASONABLE BELIEF.—Rules similar to the rules of subsection (d)(3) shall apply for purposes of subparagraph (A)(iii).”.

(e) INCOME AND LOSS FROM INVESTMENT SERVICES PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN DETERMINING NET EARNINGS FROM SELF-EMPLOYMENT.—

(1) INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Section 1402(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (16), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (17) and inserting “; and”, and by inserting after paragraph (17) the following new paragraph:

“(18) notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this subsection, in the case of any individual engaged in the trade or business of providing services described in section 710(c)(2) with respect to any entity, investment services partnership income or loss (as defined in subsection (m)) of such individual with respect to such entity shall be taken into account in determining the net earnings from self-employment of such individual.”.

(B) INVESTMENT SERVICES PARTNERSHIP INCOME OR LOSS.—Section 1402 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(m) INVESTMENT SERVICES PARTNERSHIP INCOME OR LOSS.—For purposes of subsection (a)—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘investment services partnership income or loss’ means,

with respect to any investment services partnership interest (as defined in section 710(c)) or disqualified interest (as defined in section 710(e)), the net of—

“(A) the amounts treated as ordinary income or ordinary loss under subsections (b) and (e) of section 710 with respect to such interest,

“(B) all items of income, gain, loss, and deduction allocated to such interest, and

“(C) the amounts treated as realized from the sale or exchange of property other than a capital asset under section 751 with respect to such interest.

“(2) EXCEPTION FOR QUALIFIED CAPITAL INTERESTS.—A rule similar to the rule of section 710(d) shall apply for purposes of applying paragraph (1)(B).”.

(2) SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.—Section 211(a) of the Social Security Act is amended by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (15), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (16) and inserting “; and”, and by inserting after paragraph (16) the following new paragraph:

“(17) Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this subsection, in the case of any individual engaged in the trade or business of providing services described in section 710(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 with respect to any entity, investment services partnership income or loss (as defined in section 1402(m) of such Code) shall be taken into account in determining the net earnings from self-employment of such individual.”.

(f) SEPARATE ACCOUNTING BY PARTNER.—Section 702(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (7), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (8) and inserting “, and”, and by inserting after paragraph (8) the following:

“(9) any amount treated as ordinary income or loss under subsection (a), (b), or (e) of section 710.”.

(g) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Subsection (d) of section 731 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting “section 710(b)(4) (relating to distributions of partnership property),” after “to the extent otherwise provided by”.

(2) Section 741 of such Code is amended by inserting “or section 710 (relating to special rules for partners providing investment management services to partnerships)” before the period at the end.

(3) The table of sections for part I of subchapter K of chapter 1 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“Sec. 710. Special rules for partners providing investment management services to partnerships.”.

(h) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years ending after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) PARTNERSHIP TAXABLE YEARS WHICH INCLUDE EFFECTIVE DATE.—In applying section 710(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as added by this section) in the case of any partnership taxable year which includes the date of the enactment of this Act, the amount of the net capital gain referred to in such section shall be treated as being the lesser of the net capital gain for the entire partnership taxable year or the net capital gain determined by only taking into account items attributable to the portion of the partnership taxable year which is after such date.

(3) DISPOSITIONS OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Section 710(b) of such Code (as added by this section) shall apply to

dispositions and distributions after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(B) INDIRECT DISPOSITIONS.—The amendments made by subsection (b) shall apply to transactions after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(4) OTHER INCOME AND GAIN IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES.—Section 710(e) of such Code (as added by this section) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new part:

**“PART VII—FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS**

“Sec. 59A. Fair share tax.

**“SEC. 59A. FAIR SHARE TAX.**

“(a) GENERAL RULE.—

“(1) IMPOSITION OF TAX.—In the case of any high-income taxpayer, there is hereby imposed for a taxable year (in addition to any other tax imposed by this subtitle) a tax equal to the product of—

“(A) the amount determined under paragraph (2), and

“(B) a fraction (not to exceed 1)—

“(i) the numerator of which is the excess of—

“(I) the taxpayer’s adjusted gross income, over

“(II) the dollar amount in effect under subsection (c)(1), and

“(ii) the denominator of which is the dollar amount in effect under subsection (c)(1).

“(2) AMOUNT OF TAX.—The amount of tax determined under this paragraph is an amount equal to the excess (if any) of—

“(A) the tentative fair share tax for the taxable year, over

“(B) the excess of—

“(i) the sum of—

“(I) the regular tax liability (as defined in section 26(b)) for the taxable year, determined without regard to any tax liability determined under this section,

“(II) the tax imposed by section 55 for the taxable year, plus

“(III) the payroll tax for the taxable year, over

“(ii) the credits allowable under part IV of subchapter A (other than sections 27(a), 31, and 34).

“(b) TENTATIVE FAIR SHARE TAX.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The tentative fair share tax for the taxable year is 30 percent of the excess of—

“(A) the adjusted gross income of the taxpayer, over

“(B) the modified charitable contribution deduction for the taxable year.

“(2) MODIFIED CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION DEDUCTION.—For purposes of paragraph (1)—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The modified charitable contribution deduction for any taxable year is an amount equal to the amount which bears the same ratio to the deduction allowable under section 170 (section 642(c) in the case of a trust or estate) for such taxable year as—

“(i) the amount of itemized deductions allowable under the regular tax (as defined in section 55) for such taxable year, determined after the application of section 68, bears to

“(ii) such amount, determined before the application of section 68.

“(B) TAXPAYER MUST ITEMIZE.—In the case of any individual who does not elect to itemize deductions for the taxable year, the modified charitable contribution deduction shall be zero.

“(c) HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYER.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘high-income taxpayer’ means, with respect to any taxable year, any taxpayer (other than a corporation) with an adjusted gross income for such taxable year in excess of \$1,000,000 (50 percent of such amount in the case of a married individual who files a separate return).

“(2) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a taxable year beginning after 2016, the \$1,000,000 amount under paragraph (1) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

“(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

“(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, determined by substituting ‘calendar year 2015’ for ‘calendar year 1992’ in subparagraph (B) thereof.

“(B) ROUNDING.—If any amount as adjusted under subparagraph (A) is not a multiple of \$10,000, such amount shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of \$10,000.

“(d) PAYROLL TAX.—For purposes of this section, the payroll tax for any taxable year is an amount equal to the excess of—

“(1) the taxes imposed on the taxpayer under sections 1401, 1411, 3101, 3201, and 3211(a) (to the extent such tax is attributable to the rate of tax in effect under section 3101) with respect to such taxable year or wages or compensation received during such taxable year, over

“(2) the deduction allowable under section 164(f) for such taxable year.

“(e) SPECIAL RULE FOR ESTATES AND TRUSTS.—For purposes of this section, in the case of an estate or trust, adjusted gross income shall be computed in the manner described in section 67(e).

“(f) NOT TREATED AS TAX IMPOSED BY THIS CHAPTER FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.—The tax imposed under this section shall not be treated as tax imposed by this chapter for purposes of determining the amount of any credit under this chapter (other than the credit allowed under section 27(a)) or for purposes of section 55.”

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of parts for subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“PART VII—FAIR SHARE TAX ON HIGH-INCOME TAXPAYERS”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015.

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . MODIFICATION OF LIMITATION ON EXCESSIVE REMUNERATION.**

(a) REPEAL OF PERFORMANCE-BASED COMPENSATION AND COMMISSION EXCEPTIONS FOR LIMITATION ON EXCESSIVE REMUNERATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (4) of section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subparagraphs (B) and (C) and by redesignating subparagraphs (D) through (G) as subparagraphs (B) through (E), respectively.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(A) Section 162(m)(5) of such Code is amended—

(i) by striking “subparagraphs (B), (C), and (D) thereof” in subparagraph (E) and inserting “subparagraph (B) thereof”, and

(ii) by striking “subparagraphs (F) and (G)” in subparagraph (G) and inserting “subparagraphs (D) and (E)”.

(B) Section 162(m)(6) of such Code is amended—

(i) by striking “subparagraphs (B), (C), and (D) thereof” in subparagraph (D) and inserting “subparagraph (B) thereof”, and

(ii) by striking “subparagraphs (F) and (G)” in subparagraph (G) and inserting “subparagraphs (D) and (E)”.

(b) EXPANSION OF APPLICABLE EMPLOYER.—Paragraph (2) of section 162(m) of the Inter-

nal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(2) PUBLICLY HELD CORPORATION.—For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘publicly held corporation’ means any corporation which is an issuer (as defined in section 3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78c))—

“(A) the securities of which are registered under section 12 of such Act (15 U.S.C. 781), or

“(B) that is required to file reports under section 15(d) of such Act (15 U.S.C. 78o(d)).”.

(c) APPLICATION TO ALL CURRENT AND FORMER OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND EMPLOYEES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended by subsection (a), is amended—

(A) by striking “covered employee” each place it appears in paragraphs (1) and (4) and inserting “covered individual”, and

(B) by striking “such employee” each place it appears in subparagraphs (A) and (E) of paragraph (4) and inserting “such individual”.

(2) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—Paragraph (3) of section 162(m) of such Code is amended to read as follows:

“(3) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘covered individual’ means any individual who is an officer, director, or employee of the taxpayer or a former officer, director, or employee of the taxpayer.”.

(3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(A) Section 48D(b)(3)(A) of such Code is amended by inserting “(as in effect for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2016)” after “section 162(m)(3)”.

(B) Section 409A(b)(3)(D)(ii) of such Code is amended by inserting “(as in effect for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2016)” after “section 162(m)(3)”.

(d) SPECIAL RULE FOR REMUNERATION PAID TO BENEFICIARIES, ETC.—Paragraph (4) of section 162(m), as amended by subsection (a), is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(F) SPECIAL RULE FOR REMUNERATION PAID TO BENEFICIARIES, ETC.—Remuneration shall not fail to be applicable employee remuneration merely because it is includible in the income of, or paid to, a person other than the covered individual, including after the death of the covered individual.”.

(e) REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(7) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may prescribe such guidance, rules, or regulations, including with respect to reporting, as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this subsection.”.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (6) of section 162(m) of such Code is amended by striking subparagraph (H).

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015.

**SA 2888.** Mr. COATS (for himself and Mr. TOOMEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . EXTENSION OF SPECIAL RULE FOR SENIORS RELATING TO INCOME LEVEL FOR DEDUCTION OF MEDICAL CARE EXPENSES.**

Subsection (f) of section 213 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(f) SPECIAL RULE.—In the case of any taxable year beginning after December 31, 2012, and ending before January 1, 2024, subsection (a) shall be applied with respect to a taxpayer by substituting ‘7.5 percent’ for ‘10 percent’ if such taxpayer or such taxpayer’s spouse has attained age 65 before the close of such taxable year.”.

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF THE INFLATION ADJUSTMENT IN THE CALCULATION OF MEDICARE PART B AND PART D PREMIUMS.**

Section 1839(i)(5) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395r(i)(5)) is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “2018 and 2019” and inserting “in 2018 through 2025”; and

(2) in clause (ii), by striking “2020, August 2018” and inserting “2026, August 2024”.

**SA 2889.** Mr. FLAKE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . SUSPENSION OF SPECIFIED ENERGY GRANTS.**

Section 1603 of division B of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(k) SPECIAL RULE.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall not make any grant to any person under this section after the date of the enactment of this subsection and before the date that both the Inspector General of the Department of the Treasury and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration have completed and submitted to Congress a comprehensive investigation relating to fraud with respect to the grants allowed under this section, including fraud—

“(1) through overestimating the cost bases of property for purposes of collecting such grants, and

“(2) through claiming both tax benefits and grants with respect to the same property.”.

**SA 2890.** Mr. FLAKE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2874 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 3762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . AUTHORITY TO OFFER ADDITIONAL PLAN OPTIONS.**

(a) CATASTROPHIC PLANS.—Notwithstanding title I of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148), a catastrophic plan as described in section 1302(e) of such Act shall be deemed to be a qualified health plan (including for purposes of receiving tax credits under section 36B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and cost-sharing assistance under section 1402 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act),

except that for purposes of enrollment in such plans, the provisions of paragraph (2) of such section 1302(e) shall not apply.

(b) **INDIVIDUAL MANDATE.**—Coverage under a catastrophic plan under subsection (a) shall be deemed to be minimum essential coverage for purposes of section 5000A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 2, 2015, at 10 a.m., in room 328A of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Agriculture’s Role in Combating Global Hunger.”

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

##### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 2, 2015, at 9:30 a.m.

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

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 2, 2015, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “Nominations.”

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

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 2, 2015, at 4 p.m., to conduct a classified briefing entitled “JCPOA Oversight: The IAEA’s Report on the Possible Military Dimensions of the Iranian Nuclear Program.”

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

##### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 2, 2015, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “Tribal Law and Order Act (TLOA)—5 Years Later: How have the justice systems in Indian Country improved?”

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

##### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 2, 2015, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Protecting Trade Secrets: the

Impact of Trade Secret Theft on American Competitiveness and Potential Solutions to Remedy This Harm.”

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

##### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 2, 2015, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Administration’s Criminal Alien Removal Policies.”

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

##### COMMITTEE ON VETERANS’ AFFAIRS

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 2, 2015, at 2:30 p.m., in room SR-418 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following staff members from my staff and from Senator SANDERS’ staff be given all-access floor passes for the duration of the consideration of H.R. 3762: Greg D’Angelo, George Everly, Tori Gorman, and Clint Brown from my staff; and Mike Jones, Josh Smith, Jill Harrelson, and Josh Ryan from Senator SANDERS’ staff.

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

Mr. MERKLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that my intern Jeff Slyfield and my intern Maria Givens be given privileges of the floor for the remainder of the day.

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

#### NATIONAL PHENYLKETONURIA AWARENESS DAY

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 324, submitted earlier today.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 324) designating December 3, 2015, as “National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day.”

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

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 324) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today’s RECORD under “Submitted Resolutions.”)

#### PERMITTING THE COLLECTION OF CLOTHING, TOYS, FOOD, AND HOUSEWARES DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN SENATE BUILDINGS

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 325, submitted earlier today.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 325) permitting the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings.

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

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 325) was agreed to.

(The resolution is printed in today’s RECORD under “Submitted Resolutions.”)

#### ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2015

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Thursday, December 3; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; further, that following leader remarks, the Senate then resume consideration of H.R. 3762, with the time until 1:30 p.m. equally divided in the usual form; finally, that all debate time on H.R. 3762 be deemed expired at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow.

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

#### ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order, following the remarks of Senators Tillis and Ernst.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. DAINES). Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from Iowa.

#### OBAMACARE

Mrs. ERNST. Mr. President, promises, promises, promises. Day in and