

New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN), the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 632, a resolution designating September 2018 as “National Workforce Development Month”.

S. RES. 641

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 641, a resolution marking 1 year since the landfall of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico and the United States Virgin Islands.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. SCHATZ):

S. 3482. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the Emergency Medical Services for Children program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, today I wish to speak about legislation to reauthorize the Emergency Medical Services for Children program administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration’s Maternal and Child Health Bureau. I want to thank my fellow bill sponsors, Senators CASEY and SCHATZ, for their dedication to improving children’s health and for working with me to extend this important program once again.

I am honored to have helped create the EMSC program with Senator Daniel Inouye in 1984, and I take great pride in the work that I have done since then to reauthorize it over the years. As we near the 35th anniversary of EMSC, we can look back on the great progress we have made. Indeed, we have made significant strides in assuring that emergency medical personnel and systems are trained to effectively treat pediatric patients while in transport to a medical facility.

As we have said time and time again, children are not just small adults. They have different medical needs, presenting special challenges for emergency and trauma care providers. From smaller-sized medical equipment to different dosage requirements for medicines, pediatric patients have important physical, mental, and developmental differences from adults. It is the EMSC program that ensures state-of-the-art emergency medical care for all sick or injured children and adolescents across the entire spectrum of care.

My home State of Utah has played such an influential role with EMSC in advancing the level of emergency medical care for children. The University of Utah is home to the EMSC program’s National Emergency Medical

Services for Children Data Analysis Resource Center, which is critical to helping States to evaluate EMS system effectiveness and pediatric patient care. Also housed at the University of Utah is the Central Data Management Coordinating Center for the Pediatric Emergency Care Applied Research Network. The DCC serves as the central data repository for the PECARN, which conducts high-priority, multi-institutional research on the prevention and management of acute illnesses and injuries in youth of all ages.

Throughout its history, EMSC has received overwhelming bipartisan support. The program makes a large impact with a relatively small budget, aiding all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories in improving their EMS systems, and developing improved procedures and protocols for treating children. I urge my colleagues to support our reauthorization bill so that the EMSC program will continue to improve emergency medical care for children in the United States.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S.J. Res. 64. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of the Treasury relating to “Returns by Exempt Organizations and Returns by Certain Non-Exempt Organizations”; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 643—HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE BRUTAL AND SENSELESS ATTACK AT A COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, 1 YEAR AGO

Mr. HELLER (for himself and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 643

Whereas, in the late hours of Sunday, October 1, 2017, an individual killed 58 people and wounded more than 800 innocent people in a horrific attack at the Route 91 Harvest festival in Las Vegas, Nevada, with more than 22,000 people in attendance;

Whereas President Donald Trump called the attack an act of pure evil and said that unity cannot be shattered by evil and that the bonds between the people of the United States cannot be broken by violence;

Whereas the attack is the deadliest mass shooting in the modern history of the United States;

Whereas the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and other law enforcement professionals within the city of Las Vegas and Clark County, Nevada, including emergency response teams from Henderson and North Las Vegas, the Nevada Department of Public Safety, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Department of Justice, the Department of Homeland Security, military service members and veterans, ambulatory services, and other emergency

and health care professionals responded to the attack bravely, admirably, and in a coordinated manner, saving many lives;

Whereas doctors, nurses, paramedics, and other medical professionals worked around the clock under harrowing circumstances to provide life-saving care for hundreds of victims;

Whereas, during the attack, countless civilians selflessly assisted victims and, following the attack—

(1) hundreds of individuals stood in long lines to donate blood for those who were injured in the attack; and

(2) the people of Las Vegas, Clark County, the State of Nevada, and the United States expressed overwhelming financial, physical, and emotional support for the victims and the families of the victims;

Whereas local organizations, businesses, and caregivers came together with Federal, State, and local government agencies to support the victims and help the community heal;

Whereas Nevada has a vibrant and renowned tourism economy that has continued to thrive, attracting and welcoming millions of visitors from across the United States and internationally, and emergency management officials have diligently dedicated local and Federal resources to boost public safety and security in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

Whereas October 1, 2018, marks 1 year since the horrific attack: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commemorates the victims killed in the attack and offers heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathies to the families, loved ones, and friends of the victims;

(2) honors the survivors and pledges continued support for their recovery;

(3) offers compassion to those who attended the event, but were not physically injured, and are dealing with symptoms of post-traumatic stress or seeking grief counseling;

(4) recognizes the spirit and resilience of the Las Vegas and Nevada communities;

(5) applauds the dedication and bravery of local, State, and Federal law enforcement and counterterrorism officials and emergency medical and health care professionals for their coordinated efforts in responding to the attack, securing the community, and providing treatment; and

(6) expresses gratitude to the Las Vegas community, Nevadans, and all people of the United States, as well as local, State, and Federal governments, for coming together to support the families of the victims and survivors.

SENATE RESOLUTION 644—RECOGNIZING THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION OF THE COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION AND DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 25, 2018, “COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION DAY”

Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. KAINE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 644

Whereas the Country Music Association was founded in 1958 as the first not-for-profit trade organization to promote a genre of music;

Whereas the organization began with 160 members and has grown to more than 7,400 industry professionals around the world, representing every aspect of the business—

(1) to guide the evolution of country music; and