

on D.C. Act 22-641, "New Communities Bond Authorization Temporary Amendment Act of 2018"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-517. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-642, "Community Harassment Prevention Temporary Amendment Act of 2019"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-518. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-643, "Power Line Undergrounding Program Certified Business Enterprise Utilization Temporary Act of 2019"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-519. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Protected Resources, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Island Pelagic Fisheries; False Killer Whale Take Reduction Plan; Closure of Southern Exclusion Zone" (RIN0648-XG781) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 4, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-520. A communication from the Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Passenger Equipment Safety Standards; Standards for Alternative Compliance and High-Speed Trainsets" ((RIN2130-AC46) (49 CFR Parts 229, 231, 236, and 238)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 1, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

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

POM-10. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Maine urging the United States Congress to pass legislation to support Federal Employees in Maine affected by the federal government shutdown; to the Committee on Appropriations.

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Whereas, the longest partial shutdown in the history of the United States government began on December 22, 2018; and

Whereas, the federal government shutdown is affecting approximately 800,000 federal employees; and

Whereas, in Maine the workers currently affected are employees of the Department of Homeland Security, which includes airport screening personnel and members of the United States Coast Guard, and employees of Acadia National Park; and

Whereas, those federal workers who have not been furloughed are obliged to work without pay; and

Whereas, the federal government shutdown is also having an affect on other industries in Maine, such as tourism, and small businesses that depend upon federal regulation and loan processing; and

Whereas, as the federal government shutdown continues, there is potential for many social and housing services in the State to be negatively affected; and

Whereas, it is important for the economic health of the State that the federal government shutdown cease as quickly as possible; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That We, your Memorialists, on behalf of the people we represent, take this

opportunity to respectfully request that the United States Congress take immediate steps to reach a compromise and end the partial shutdown of the Federal Government and restore financial security to the lives of citizens; and be it further

Resolved, That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. COTTON (for himself and Mr. JONES):

S. 645. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the inclusion of homeschooled students in Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps units; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. COTTON (for himself, Ms. HASSAN, and Ms. WARREN):

S. 646. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require a full military honors ceremony for certain deceased veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCHATZ (for himself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 647. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a tax on certain trading transactions; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. COONS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. REED, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SMITH, Mr. UDALL, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 648. A bill to ensure the humane treatment of pregnant women by reinstating the presumption of release and prohibiting shackling, restraining, and other inhumane treatment of pregnant detainees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Ms. ROSEN):

S. 649. A bill to require the Secretary of Energy to obtain the consent of affected State and local governments before making an expenditure from the Nuclear Waste Fund for a nuclear waste repository, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. UDALL:

S. 650. A bill to assist entrepreneurs, support development of the creative economy, and encourage international cultural exchange, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 651. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the age requirement with respect to eligibility for qualified ABLE programs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. UDALL, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. PETERS):

S. 652. A bill to require the United States Postal Service to continue selling the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp until all remaining stamps are sold, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 653. A bill for the relief of Malachy McAllister, Nicola McAllister, and Sean Ryan McAllister; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself and Ms. ERNST):

S. 654. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to carry out a pilot program to develop and provide to States and transportation planning organizations accessibility data sets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 655. A bill to impose additional restrictions on tobacco flavors for use in e-cigarettes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. UDALL, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 656. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to address certain issues relating to the extension of consumer credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BRAUN:

S. 657. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to establish requirements with respect to prescription drug benefits; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BRAUN:

S. 658. A bill to provide for an accelerated approval pathway for certain drugs that are authorized to be lawfully marketed in other countries; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. KAINE, Mr. PORTMAN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BRAUN, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 659. A bill to provide for certain additional requirements with respect to patent disclosures; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BRAUN:

S. 660. A bill to address abuse of the Food and Drug Administration's citizen petition process by brand drug manufacturers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 661. A bill to provide for enhanced protections for vulnerable alien children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. UDALL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. COONS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. SMITH, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 662. A bill to provide access to counsel for unaccompanied alien children; to the Committee on the Judiciary.