

With dedication and determination, Ms. Brunow, successfully started a construction company as a single mother of three children in the middle of a recession. Now, she is the owner of one of the only woman-owned construction businesses in America, a recipient of the Midland Business Journal's 40 under 40, and a leader within her community. Today, Ms. Brunow has expanded her business reach to include serving as the head of H2W Apparel, a women's active wear company. Additionally, Ms. Brunow remains an active mentor for women entrepreneurs and advocate for female entrepreneurship.

Ms. Brunow embodies what it means to be an entrepreneur and small business owner. Despite those telling her that it is not the right industry or not the right time, Brunow Contracting quickly became a multimillion-dollar business with an A+ rating from the Better Business Bureau. Ms. Brunow showed that, while it certainly is not easy, it is possible to simultaneously build a business, be a great mother, volunteer as a mentor, and remain committed to your community. It is my distinct pleasure to honor Ms. Brunow and the entire team at Brunow Contracting as the Senate Small Business of the Day. You make Iowa proud, and I look forward to watching your continued growth and success.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:33 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1328. An act to establish the Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1503. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act regarding the list under section 505(j)(7) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1520. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the publication of a list of licensed biological products, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 6913, and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, the Speaker appoints the following Members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: Ms. KAPTUR of Ohio, Mr. SUOZZI of New York, Mr. MALINOWSKI of New Jersey, Mr. MCADAMS of Utah, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. MAST of Florida.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1328. An act to establish the Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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list under section 505(j)(7) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1254. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals relative to the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1255. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Review of Recent Cost-Benefit Studies Related to Net Metering and Distributed Solar"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1256. A communication from the Solicitor, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy for the position of General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2019; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1257. A communication from the Director, Office of Civil Rights, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's fiscal year 2018 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1258. A communication from the Executive Director, Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Seventy-Eighth Financial Statement for the period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1259. A communication from the Acting Deputy Solicitor, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy for the position of General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1260. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report on Disability-Related Air Travel Complaints Received During Calendar Year 2017"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GRAHAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with amendments:

S. 820. A bill to strengthen programs authorized under the Debbie Smith Act of 2004.

By Mr. GRAHAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S. 998. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to ex-

pand support for police officer family services, stress reduction, and suicide prevention, and for other purposes.

By Mr. GRAHAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with amendments:

S. 1231. A bill to reauthorize the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. GRAHAM for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Jeffrey A. Rosen, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General.

Jeffrey Vincent Brown, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas.

Brantley Starr, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.

Stephanie L. Haines, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Robert J. Colville, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Timothy J. Downing, of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

William Travis Brown, Jr., of Louisiana, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Michael Blaine East, of North Carolina, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

By Mr. BURR for the Select Committee on Intelligence.

Christopher Scolese, of New York, to be Director of the National Reconnaissance Office.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

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. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. TESTER):

S. 1381. A bill to modify the presumption of service connection for veterans who were exposed to herbicide agents while serving in the Armed Forces in Thailand during the Vietnam era, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 1382. A bill to designate and expand wilderness areas in Olympic National Forest in the State of Washington, and to designate certain rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. COTTON (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Ms. MCSALLY):

S. 1383. A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide a guarantee of residency for registration of businesses of spouses of members of the uniformed services, to improve occupational license portability for military spouses through interstate compacts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROMNEY (for himself and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 1384. A bill to reform prescription drug pricing and reduce out-of-pocket costs by ensuring consumers benefit from negotiated rebates; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 1385. A bill to prohibit the awarding of a contract or grant in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold unless the prospective contractor or grantee certifies in writing to the agency awarding the contract or grant that the contractor or grantee has no seriously delinquent tax debts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for Mr. UDALL (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. HARRIS, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN)):

S. 1386. A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 1387. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 in order to improve the service obligation verification process for TEACH Grant recipients, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 1388. A bill to manage supply chain risk through counterintelligence training, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 1389. A bill to protect consumers from usury; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 1390. A bill to require plans for military installations for full military funeral honors for veterans at such installations; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. BRAUN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Ms. SMITH):

S. 1391. A bill to require reporting regarding certain drug price increases, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 1392. A bill to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct an assessment of the responsibilities, workload, and vacancy rates of suicide prevention coordinators of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. BROWN):

S. 1393. A bill to prohibit Members of Congress from purchasing or selling certain investments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. MURPHY):

S. 1394. A bill to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. CASEY):

S. 1395. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the purchase of certain firearms by individuals under 21 years of

age, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. CASSIDY):

S. 1396. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the definition of municipal solid waste; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KING, Mr. BROWN, Mr. UDALL, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. BENNET):

S. 1397. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to provide for a national Federal write-in absentee ballot for domestic use; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 1398. A bill to promote the use of smart technologies and systems in communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 1399. A bill to amend title VIII of the Public Health Services Act to revise and extend nursing workforce development programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 1400. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to preserve the option of States to implement health care marketplaces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH:

S. 1401. A bill to establish eligibility requirements for education support professionals under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 1402. A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to recognize employers with a commitment to helping employees balance workplace responsibilities and family obligations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. 1403. A bill to amend the Child Care Access Means Parents in School Program under the Higher Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 1404. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to address the increased burden that maintaining the health and hygiene of infants and toddlers places on families in need, the resultant adverse health effects on children and families, and the limited child care options available for infants and toddlers who lack sufficient diapers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DAINES (for himself, Mr. CRAMER, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. GARDNER):

S. 1405. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the credit for production of refined coal; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TILLIS (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 1406. A bill to revise the boundaries of a unit of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System in Topsail, North Carolina, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 1407. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to add definitions for the terms

“common carrier” and “personal operator”, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. 1408. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to improve child care protections provided through interstate background checks; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN:

S. 1409. A bill to enhance the ability of the Office of the National Ombudsman to assist small businesses in meeting regulatory requirements and develop outreach initiatives to promote awareness of the services the Office of the National Ombudsman provides, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. KING, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. WARREN, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. REED):

S. 1410. A bill to amend the Federal share of the fishing safety standards grants; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1411. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to require certain disclosures related to amicus activities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 1412. A bill to authorize veterans service organizations to solicit donations at post offices before and after Federal holidays; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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

S. 1413. A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to establish an initiative on improving the capacity of military criminal investigative organizations to prevent child sexual exploitation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Ms. WARREN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BROWN, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. REED, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Ms. HASSAN):

S. 1414. A bill to provide bankruptcy relief for student borrowers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. TILLIS, and Ms. HARRIS):

S. 1415. A bill to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to immediately release certain grant funds awarded for mitigation activities under the Community Development Block Grant program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1416. A bill to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act to prohibit anticompetitive behaviors by drug product manufacturers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WICKER:

S. 1417. A bill to reauthorize activities of the Maritime Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 1418. A bill to establish the Strength in Diversity Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. Res. 198. A resolution condemning Brunei's dramatic human rights backsliding; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself and Ms. STABENOW):

S. Res. 199. A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Judge Damon Jerome Keith; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. Res. 200. A resolution authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Senate Chamber; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 63

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 63, a bill to implement the recommendations of the Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform.

S. 151

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) were added as cosponsors of S. 151, a bill to deter criminal robocall violations and improve enforcement of section 227(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, and for other purposes.

S. 191

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 191, a bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to include in periodic health assessments, separation history and physical examinations, and other assessments an evaluation of whether a member of the Armed Forces has been exposed to open burn pits or toxic airborne chemicals, and for other purposes.

S. 203

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 203, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the railroad track maintenance credit, and for other purposes.

S. 257

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 257, a bill to provide for rental assistance for homeless or at-risk Indian veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 277

At the request of Ms. HIRONO, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) was added as a cosponsor

of S. 277, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Fred Korematsu, in recognition of his dedication to justice and equality.

S. 286

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 286, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the coverage of marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services under part B of the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 289

At the request of Mr. GARDNER, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 289, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to support rural residency training funding that is equitable for all States, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. GARDNER, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 289, supra.

S. 383

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 383, a bill to support carbon dioxide utilization and direct air capture research, to facilitate the permitting and development of carbon capture, utilization, and sequestration projects and carbon dioxide pipelines, and for other purposes.

S. 386

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. ROMNEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 386, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes.

S. 434

At the request of Mr. BRAUN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to provide for a report on the maintenance of Federal land holdings under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior.

S. 510

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 510, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for certain requirements relating to charges for internet, television, and voice services, and for other purposes.

S. 518

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 518, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of certain lymphedema compression treatment items as items of durable medical equipment.

S. 546

At the request of Mr. GARDNER, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. MCSALLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 546, a bill to extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2090, and for other purposes.

S. 560

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN) were added as cosponsors of S. 560, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that group and individual health insurance coverage and group health plans provide coverage for treatment of a congenital anomaly or birth defect.

S. 569

At the request of Mr. YOUNG, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. PERDUE) were added as cosponsors of S. 569, a bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue regulations relating to commercial motor vehicle drivers under the age of 21, and for other purposes.

S. 670

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 670, a bill to make daylight savings time permanent, and for other purposes.

S. 743

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 743, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the soldiers of the 5307th Composite Unit (Provisional), commonly known as "Merrill's Marauders", in recognition of their bravery and outstanding service in the jungles of Burma during World War II.

S. 867

At the request of Ms. HASSAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 867, a bill to protect students of institutions of higher education and the taxpayer investment in institutions of higher education by improving oversight and accountability of institutions of higher education, particularly for-profit colleges, improving protections for students and borrowers, and ensuring the integrity of postsecondary education programs, and for other purposes.

S. 880

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) were added as cosponsors of S. 880, a bill to provide outreach and reporting on comprehensive Alzheimer's disease care planning services furnished under the Medicare program.