

S. RES. 204

Whereas, on April 29, 2019, President Donald J. Trump transmitted the following to the United States Senate: "I have concluded that it is not in the interest of the United States to become a party to the Arms Trade Treaty (Senate Treaty Doc. 114-14, transmitted December 9, 2016). I have, therefore, decided to withdraw the aforementioned treaty from the Senate and accordingly request that it be returned to me." Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate shall return to the President of the United States the Arms Trade Treaty, Done at New York on April 2, 2013 (Treaty Doc. 114-14).

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 64, adopted March 5, 2013, appoints the following Senators as members of the Senate National Security Working Group for the 116th Congress: DIANNE FEINSTEIN of California (Democratic Administrative Co-Chairman); JACK REED of Rhode Island (Democratic Co-Chairman); ROBERT MENENDEZ of New Jersey (Democratic Co-Chair); RICHARD J. DURBIN of Illinois; BENJAMIN L. CARDIN of Maryland; ROBERT P. CASEY, Jr. of Pennsylvania; TAMMY DUCKWORTH of Illinois; MARGARET WOOD HASSAN of New Hampshire; and KYRSTEN SINEMA of Arizona.

CONGRATULATING THE STUDENTS, PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND LEADERS OF CHARTER SCHOOLS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 202, 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. 202) congratulating the students, parents, teachers, and leaders of charter schools across the United States for making ongoing contributions to education, and supporting the ideals and goals of the 20th annual National Charter Schools Week, to be held May 12 through May 18, 2019.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to proceeding to the measure?

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

Mr. MCCONNELL. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions 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. 202) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

RECOGNIZING THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 203, 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. 203) recognizing the 80th anniversary of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to proceeding to the measure?

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

Mr. MCCONNELL. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions 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. 203) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE COMPUTATION OF AVERAGE PAY UNDER PUBLIC LAW 110-279

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. 1436, submitted earlier today.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1436) to make technical corrections to the computation of average pay under Public Law 110-279.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to proceeding to the measure?

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

Mr. MCCONNELL. I further ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that 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 bill (S. 1436) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 1436

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO COMPUTATION OF AVERAGE PAY UNDER PUBLIC LAW 110-279.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1(c)(2)(A) of Public Law 110-279 (2 U.S.C. 2051(c)(2)(A)) is amended—

(1) by striking "For purposes of" and all that follows through "(i) any period" and inserting the following:

"(i) TREATMENT OF SERVICE.—For purposes of chapters 83, 84, and 87 of title 5, United States Code, any period";

(2) in clause (i), by striking "; and" and inserting a period; and

(3) in clause (ii)—

(A) by inserting "TREATMENT OF PAY.—For purposes of chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code," before "the rate of basic pay"; and

(B) by striking "the covered" and inserting "a covered".

(b) REGULATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Office of Personnel Management shall promulgate regulations to carry out this section.

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The regulations promulgated under paragraph (1) shall take effect not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(c) APPLICABILITY OF AMENDMENTS.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the terms "contractor", "covered individual", and "food services contract" have the meanings given those terms in section 1(a) of Public Law 110-279 (2 U.S.C. 2051(a)).

(2) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to—

(A) a covered individual who separates from service as an employee of a contractor performing services under the food services contract before, on, or after the date of enactment of this Act; and

(B) each payment to a covered individual under chapter 83 or 84 of title 5, United States Code, made on or after the effective date of the regulations promulgated under subsection (b).

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 14; further, that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, morning business be closed, and that the Senate proceed to executive session and resume consideration of the Truncate nomination; finally, that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. MCCONNELL. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:29 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

ROBERT WALLACE, OF WYOMING, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR FISH AND WILDLIFE, VICE THOMAS L. STRICKLAND, RESIGNED.