

Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to develop guidance for firefighters and other emergency response personnel on best practices to protect them from exposure to PFAS and to limit and prevent the release of PFAS into the environment, and for other purposes.

S. 2355

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2355, a bill to eliminate racial, religious, and other discriminatory profiling by law enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 2364

At the request of Mr. SULLIVAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2364, a bill to enhance domestic marine debris response, and for other purposes.

S. 2372

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2372, a bill to enhance global engagement to combat marine debris, and for other purposes.

S. 2389

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2389, a bill to provide access to counsel for children and other vulnerable populations.

S. 2390

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2390, a bill to prohibit the imposition of the death penalty for any violation of Federal law, and for other purposes.

S. 2403

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2403, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to provide loans for the acquisition of electric buses and related infrastructure.

S. RES. 252

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 252, a resolution designating September 2019 as National Democracy Month as a time to reflect on the contributions of the system of government of the United States to a more free and stable world.

S. RES. 298

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 298, a resolution concurring with the decision to withdraw the United States from the INF Treaty, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 299

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the names of the Senator from Washington

(Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 299, a resolution designating the first week in August 2019 as "World Breastfeeding Week", and designating August 2019 as "National Breastfeeding Month".

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DAINES (for himself, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. PERDUE):

S. 2435. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide that any estimate prepared by the Congressional Budget Office or the Joint Committee on Taxation shall include costs relating to servicing the public debt, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.

Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, today the Senate passed disastrous legislation that I opposed, which increases spending by \$322 billion with few offsets and suspends the debt limit for 2 years with absolutely no reforms to bring fiscal sanity to Washington. According to the Congressional Budget Office, in 2029, the net interest on our debt will near \$1 trillion. The cost of our debt is a pending crisis but current rules for scoring the cost of legislative proposals do not tell the full story, like how much the bills will increase the debt and the subsequent cost of interest on that debt. This bill would require that information be included, which in turn would increase transparency for taxpayers, who will eventually foot the bill for this reckless spending. I urge my colleagues to join me in this commonsense proposal.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 303—CALLING UPON THE LEADERSHIP OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA TO DISMANTLE ITS KWAN-LI-SO POLITICAL PRISON LABOR CAMP SYSTEM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. HAWLEY (for himself, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. CORNYN, and Mrs. BLACKBURN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 303

Whereas the public has long been aware of the labor camp system in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea through continuous eye-witness and survivor accounts, and now publicly available satellite technology;

Whereas, according to the Hidden Gulag IV report, the Government of North Korea runs 2 kinds of prison camps, the kwan-li-so and the kyo-hwa-so, as well as "various types of short-term forced labour detention facilities";

Whereas the most heinous camps, the kwan-li-so, are known as Prison Camp 14, 15, 16, and 25, which contain roughly 80,000 to 120,000 political prisoners;

Whereas the Inquiry on Crimes Against Humanity in North Korea Political Prisons Report of 2017, prepared by the War Crimes Committee of the International Bar Association, states that "hundreds of thousands of inmates are estimated to have died" in the kwan-li-so camps;

Whereas, from 1981 to 2013, an estimated 400,000 people out of 500,000 imprisoned were killed in these labor camps;

Whereas persons who are sent to these labor camps are forcibly disappeared and intended to die, and the United Nations Commission of Inquiry on Human Rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea wrote in 2014 that "the unspeakable atrocities" committed in the kwan-li-so camps "resemble the horrors of camps that totalitarian states established during the twentieth century";

Whereas the United Nations Commission of Inquiry on Human Rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea found that "the inmate population has been gradually eliminated through deliberate starvation, forced labour, executions, torture, rape and the denial of reproductive rights enforced through punishment, forced abortion and infanticide";

Whereas up to 3 generations of a "violinist's" family will be sent to the labor camps even if no "wrongdoing" is found;

Whereas, according to the Inquiry on Crimes Against Humanity in North Korea Political Prisons Report of 2017, the Government of North Korea regularly and routinely commits crimes against humanity, including murder, extermination, enslavement, forcible transfer, imprisonment, torture, sexual violence, persecution, enforced disappearances, and other inhumane acts;

Whereas, according to the best available evidence, some of the specific crimes identified by the Inquiry are as follows:

(1) "Christians are heavily persecuted and receive especially harsh treatment in prison camps, with one former prison guard testifying that 'Christians were reactionaries and there were lots of instructions...to wipe out the seed of reactionaries'".

(2) Multiple witnesses watched prisoners tortured and killed on account of their religious affiliation.

(3) A prisoner was raped by a security officer, after which the officer stuck a wooden stick inside her vagina and beat her lower body, resulting in her death within a week of the rape.

(4) An abortion was induced by 3 men standing on a wooden plank placed on a pregnant prisoner's stomach.

(5) Another witness lost consciousness after enduring a beating designed to trigger premature labor, with prison officials killing her baby before she could regain consciousness.

(6) Rape victims who feared being killed after becoming pregnant engaged in self-induced abortions by eating dirt and poisoning themselves with flower roots.

(7) Other rape victims self-induced abortions by inserting a rubber tube in their vaginas.

(8) Rape of teenage girls and their subsequent attempts to commit suicide by jumping in the Dae-dong-gang River were so common that prison guards were deployed to the river to thwart them.

(9) Four pregnant women were executed for protesting the fact guards forced them to run down a mountain in a failed effort to induce miscarriages.

(10) Twelve prisoners were shot and killed in the commotion that ensued after the execution of the 4 pregnant women referenced in paragraph (9), and a former prison guard witnessed a prisoner's newborn baby, most likely fathered by a high-ranking official, fed to guard dogs and killed.