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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. DEGETTE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
May 20, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DIANA DEGETTE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Loving and eternal God, call us to rejoice in You always.

Draw near to us this day that our hearts would be inclined toward patience, and in Your presence, may the gentleness that comes from our relationship with You be evident in us.

Draw near to us this day that we would not be anxious about anything, not things past, not things present, nor the future before us.

But in Your presence, may we approach every situation in prayer and petition and with thanksgiving.

Draw near to us as we present our requests to You, and grant us Your peace, which transcends all understanding. In Your presence, may Your peace guard our hearts and minds.

Draw near to us so that we can only think about what is true, what is noble, what is right, what is pure, what is lovely, what is admirable. When we are in Your presence, may we see that all these things are of You, excellent and praiseworthy.

Draw near to us as we proceed in our affairs. And in Your presence, may we put into practice all that we have learned or received or heard in faith.

God of peace, be with us. And may we find joy in Your nearness.

To You our God and creator, be glory forever and ever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from Pennsylvania (Ms. DEAN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. DEAN led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

EMPHASIZING IMPORTANCE OF TAX CREDITS

(Ms. GARCIA of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to emphasize the importance of the earned income tax credit and the child tax credit for my constituents in my district. Because of the severe winter storms earlier this year, Texans can still file their tax returns until June 15—I repeat, until June 15.

Single filers who make $75,000 or less annually and heads of household who earn $112,500 annually could benefit from the full earned income tax credit and child tax credits if they file their taxes on time.

In my district alone, President Biden's new 1-year expansion of the child tax credit will lift 213,500 children out of poverty. That means that 95 percent of the children in my district would benefit.

Because of this, I am urging all of my constituents to file their taxes even if they don't normally do so. Working families and children need these dollars now more than ever.

I am glad that the improved and expanded child tax credit will be arriving soon to help families in my district and in Texas.

MODIFYING STOCK VEHICLES FOR RACING

(Mr. KELLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KELLER. Madam Speaker, motorsports are one of America's favorite pastimes and play an important role in our economy.

Pennsylvania's 12th Congressional District is home to Selinsgrove Speedway, Clinton County Motor Speedway, Port Royal Speedway, Beaver Springs Dragway, and thousands of racing fans, myself included. Some of my best memories are at the raceway, enjoying the sights and sounds with our community and family.

That is why I am proud to be an original cosponsor of the Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act, or the RPM act. Automotive fans have long altered stock vehicles for competitive racing, a practice that is as old as the sport itself. In 2016, the Environmental Protection Agency issued a proposed rule that would make modifying stock vehicles for racing illegal. The

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RPM Act would ensure that this doesn't happen, permanently protecting this practice.

The racing industry has a rich history, and I believe it should be protected from burdensome regulatory barriers.

CALLING FOR SWIFT CEASE-FIRE

(Mr. BOWMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BOWMAN. Madam Speaker, the violence that is unfolding in Palestine and Israel is tragic and urgent. I rise today to voice my strong support for a swift cease-fire.

I have heard directly from my constituents in New York's 16th Congressional District. Parents with children living in both Israel and Palestine have written in, and their fear for their children's safety is palpable.

Their voices are with me today and have made this situation personal. This is the worst escalation of violence in the region in years.

I have continually called for President Biden to step in and rapidly broker a cease-fire to deescalate the situation, end the occupation, and finally find peace.

To that end, I will introduce a resolution calling for an immediate cease-fire and diplomatic efforts to resume in earnest, which is a resolution Senator SANDERS has led in the Senate. We have to do more. We must do more.

SUPPORTING ISRAEL OVER HAMAS

(Mr. BUDD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BUDD. Madam Speaker, I rise to deliver a clear message: The United States must stand shoulder to shoulder with the State of Israel. The choice for the politicians in this Chamber should be simple.

On one side, you have Hamas, a terrorist organization that fired thousands of rockets at civilians in Israel. Their founding charter even calls for Israel's destruction.

On the other side, you have Israel, the only democracy in the Middle East. They are our longtime friend and ally, and they are a force for stability in the region.

The deescalation of this conflict should begin and end with Hamas. They must stop their terrorist attacks on Israeli citizens immediately.

Until they do, Israel has every right to defend themselves, and the United States of America should have their back.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DENISE BURSTEIN

(Ms. DEAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. DEAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember and honor my constituent and friend, Denise Burstein. Denise passed away on May 13 due to complications related to ALS.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and community leader. She was a woman of diverse passions and talent, an avid knitter, quilter, radio operator, and I recently learned that she had a black belt in karate.

She devoted her life to helping others, working as a school speech and language therapist and continuing to help children even after her retirement.

She was first to volunteer, whether it was as a local committeeperson with the Boy Scouts, coaching, training therapy dogs, or, after her diagnosis, helping spread awareness of ALS.

To know Denise is to know her husband, Frank. They are two parts of a single smile, wonderful hosts whose brunches are the places to be for friendship, politics, and delicious food.

I join Denise's family, friends, and wider community in mourning the loss of an incredible woman. I am better for having known her.

HONORING THE LIFE OF HANK HUCKABY

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to remember and honor Hank Huckaby, who passed away on April 14 at the age of 79.

Hank was a lifelong public servant who served the State of Georgia in numerous capacities for more than 50 years. He held a number of top roles in Georgia government and education, including chancellor of Georgia's public colleges and universities, executive director of the Georgia Housing and Finance Authority, director of the Office of Planning and Budget, and in the Georgia House of Representatives.

Put simply, Hank was devoted to serving the people of Georgia. His public service extended out of the workplace, volunteering his time and leadership in various civic and religious organizations throughout his life.

Madam Speaker, Hank Huckaby was a graduate of Young Harris College, and I had the privilege of serving with him on the board of trustees of Young Harris College. He loved Young Harris College, and Young Harris College loved him.

Hank was a strong leader, a source of strength, and a true friend to all who knew him. He will be greatly missed.

My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and all who knew him during this most difficult time.

SENATE MUST SUPPORT COMMISSION ON JANUARY 6 SIEGE

(Mr. SCHNEIDER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of the bipartisan national commission to investigate the January 6 siege on the Capitol.

I was in this Chamber that day. I took cover in the gallery as police barred the door and drew their guns. I escaped with my colleagues to watch from a secure location to watch the last vestiges of the attack play out. I was proud to return to this Chamber that night to complete our constitutional duty.

The events that transpired on January 6 on these grounds were not just an attack on the building and the people who work here. It was an effort to undermine our democracy and steal an election.

The immediate threat to the Capitol was repelled, but the threat to our democracy remains. Every American who believes our Constitution is the bedrock of our Nation should demand this commission, demand that we understand what conditions led up to and enabled the January 6 insurrection, and ensure that nothing like it happens again.

It is now up to the Senate to pass the bill for the good of our country. If not, the House must be prepared to proceed on its own.

HONORING RICH O'BRIEN

(Ms. MACE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. MACE. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to speak on behalf of a great American and constituent of mine, Rich O'Brien.

Rich's story is one that inspires hope. He is the operations manager for PGA HOPE Charleston. PGA HOPE stands for Helping Our Patriots Everywhere, and it is the PGA's flagship program to do military outreach.

As one of the leaders of the golf therapy movement, he is a testament to hope. Madam Speaker, 12½ years ago, he was on his deathbed, paralyzed from the neck down after a catastrophic injury where he broke his back, his neck, and had four skull fracture injuries and brain damage in every lobe. Rich died three times at the scene of the accident before an EMT was able to revive him and eventually place him into an induced coma.

He was lucky, though, and eventually regained feeling in his fingers and toes and learned to walk and talk again. He was able to use golf therapy to rehabilitate his injuries.

Following his own recovery, he started helping others to use golf therapy and became an advocate for others with disabilities. As Charleston welcomes the PGA Championship this weekend, Rich deserves applause and praise for his charity and willingness to help other veterans like him through golf therapy.

STAND WITH ISRAEL

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, over the last few days, well more than 3,000 rockets have been fired into Israel by Hamas. This comes as no surprise, given that the Hamas charter written in 1988 includes 36 articles all explicitly dedicated to the destruction of Israel.

As a sovereign nation, Israel has every right to defend its borders, communities, and citizens. The Biden administration has prioritized the nuclear deal with Iran instead of making a full commitment to continue our robust support for our most important ally in the Middle East, Israel.

Iran is the leading state sponsor of terrorism and Iran's Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, tweeted that Palestinians must ''stand strong'' and ''confront the enemy'' shortly before Tel Aviv was targeted by rocket fire.

Madam Speaker, many Democrats will not condemn the ceaseless attacks against the Israeli people. Republicans are committed to ensuring that the United States fully upholds its commitments to Israel and continues to support the programs which have saved thousands of lives from destruction by Iran, Hamas, and other terrorist groups.

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EMERGENCY SECURITY SUPPLEMENTAL TO RESPOND TO JANUARY 6TH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 409, I call up the bill (H.R. 3237) making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 409, the bill is considered read.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3237

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

CHAPTER 1—SECURITY RELATED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

SENATE

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE

For an additional amount for ''Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate'', $16,490,000, to remain available until expended, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and which shall be allocated in accordance with a spend plan submitted to the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate: *Provided*, That such sums, as necessary, may be used to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for ''Allowances and Expenses'', $22,186,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and for necessary expenses for business continuity and disaster recovery, to be allocated in accordance with a spend plan submitted to the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives by the Chief Administrative Officer and approved by such Committee: *Provided*, That of such amount, such sums as necessary may be used to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes by the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives prior to the date of the enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That of such amount, not more than $500,800 may be transferred to the Office of Employee Assistance pursuant to section 101(a) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1993 (2 U.S.C. 5507(a)), effective upon the expiration of the 10-day period which begins on the date the Chief Administrative Officer notifies the Committee on Appropriations of the transfer: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

ENHANCED SECURITY FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

SEC. 101. (a) AUTHORIZING USE OF FUNDS.—Subject to subsection (b), the Office of the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives may use amounts which are appropriated or otherwise made available for the operations of the Office during a fiscal year to carry out security enhancements deemed necessary for the protection of Members of Congress including the Delegates and the Resident Commissioner of Congress only if the enhancement is deemed necessary by the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives.

(b) REGULATIONS.—The Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives shall have the authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect on the date on which the Committee on House Administration prescribes regulations under subsection (c) to carry out this section, and shall apply with respect to the fiscal year in which the Committee prescribes the regulations and each succeeding fiscal year.

CAPITOL POLICE

SALARIES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for ''Salaries'', $37,495,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, to respond to the aftermath of the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this heading in this chapter for the purposes specified hereunder shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That of such amount, such sums as necessary may be used to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes by the Capitol Police prior to the date of the enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That of such amount $3,600,000 shall remain available until expended for retention bonuses: *Provided further*, That of such amount, up to $6,900,000 shall be made available for hazard pay for employees of the Capitol Police: *Provided further*, That of such amount, $1,361,306 shall be made available for the wellness program for the United States Capitol Police: *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this heading in this chapter may be transferred between the headings ''Salaries'' and ''General Expenses'' under the heading ''Capitol Police'' for the purposes specified under this heading in this chapter in accordance with section 1001 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2014 (2 U.S.C. 1907a): *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

GENERAL EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for ''General Expenses'', $41,769,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, to respond to the aftermath of the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this heading in this chapter for the purposes specified hereunder shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That of such amount, such sums as necessary may be used to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes by the Capitol Police prior to the date of the enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That of such amounts, $2,628,000 shall remain available until expended for physical protection barriers and various civil disturbance unit equipment: *Provided further*, That such funds which are made available for physical protection barriers under this heading in this chapter may be transferred to and merged with the Capitol Police Building and Grounds account of the Architect of the Capitol for similar purposes in accordance with section 906 of the 2002 Supplemental Appropriations Act for Further Recovery From and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States (2 U.S.C. 1865): *Provided further*, That of such amount, not less than $5,000,000 shall be made available for reimbursable agreements with State and local law enforcement agencies and not less than $4,800,000 shall be available for protective details for Members of Congress, including Delegates and the Resident Commissioner to the Congress: *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this heading in this chapter may be transferred between the headings ''Salaries'' and ''General Expenses'' under the heading ''Capitol Police'' for the purposes specified under this heading in this chapter in accordance with section 1001 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2014 (2 U.S.C. 1907a): *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

WELLNESS PROGRAM

SEC. 102. (a) APPLICATION OF LAW.—The wellness program of the United States Capitol Police shall be known and designated as

the ''Howard C. 'Howie' Liebengood Center for Wellness''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2021 and each succeeding fiscal year.

REQUIRING UNIFORMED UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE OFFICERS TO UTILIZE BODY-WORN CAMERAS WHILE ON DUTY

SEC. 103. (a) REQUIREMENT.—Each uniformed officer of the United States Capitol Police whose job duties include interacting with the general public shall utilize a body-worn camera and ensure that the body-worn camera is activated while on duty.

(b) EXCEPTION FOR OFFICERS ON PERSONAL PROTECTION DETAIL.—Subsection (a) does not apply to an officer during any time in which the officer is serving on a personal protection detail.

(c) REGULATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Capitol Police Board shall promulgate such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(2) BODY CAMERA FOOTAGE.—The regulations promulgated under paragraph (1) shall include guidance on the retention and deletion of video footage recorded by a body-worn camera utilized by an officer of the United States Capitol Police.

(3) REQUIRING NOTIFICATION PRIOR TO DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN RECORDED INFORMATION.—The regulations promulgated under paragraph (1) shall include a requirement that the United States Capitol Police shall not make any disclosure to any third party (including a law enforcement agency), including any disclosure pursuant to a request by compulsory process, of any video or audio information relating to the House of Representatives or the Senate which is recorded by a body-worn camera utilized by an officer of the United States Capitol Police until the United States Capitol Police provides notice of the request to, and consults regarding the disclosure with—

(A) in the case of information relating to the House of Representatives, the Office of the General Counsel of the House of Representatives and any Member (including a Delegate or Resident Commissioner), officer, or employee of the House involved; or

(B) in the case of information relating to the Senate, the Office of Senate Legal Counsel, and any Senator, officer, or employee of the Senate involved.

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2021 and each succeeding fiscal year.

REPORT ON EVACUATION PROCEDURES OF THE CAPITOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

SEC. 104. (a) IN GENERAL.—The appropriate security official of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall submit a report (in the appropriate format) to the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, and the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act on the procedures in place for evacuating the Membership, staff, workforce, and visitors of the Capitol, the House Office Buildings and the Senate Office buildings.

(b) REQUIREMENTS OF REPORT.—The report referenced in subsection (a) shall include an assessment of previous evacuations, plans for evacuations involving civil disturbances, emergency management and emergency preparedness training and existing emergency action response plans and policies.

(c) CLASSIFICATION OF REPORT.—The report accompanying this section shall be submitted in unclassified form but may be accompanied by a classified annex.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for ''Capital Construction and Operations'', $221,678,000, to remain available until September 30, 2023, to respond to the aftermath of the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021: *Provided*, That of such amount, such sums as necessary may be used to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes by the Architect of the Capitol prior to the date of the enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That any such funds transferred by the Architect pursuant to the authority in the preceding proviso shall be merged with and made available for the same purposes, and period of availability, as the appropriations to which the funds are transferred: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

CAPITOL COMPLEX EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY

For an additional amount for ''Capitol Complex Emergency Response and Infrastructure Security'', $350,000,000, to remain available until expended, for emergency expenses to respond to necessary requirements associated with, and the consequences of, the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, including for the costs of: (1) providing support for the Architect of the Capitol, the Sergeants at Arms of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the United States Capitol Police, and the Library of Congress in responding to the attack and in preparing for and mitigating the effects of similar attacks in the future; (2) repairing public facilities damaged by the attack; (3) securing vulnerabilities of buildings and infrastructure in the Complex; and (4) updating and enhancing physical security in the Complex, including making revisions to the landscape design infrastructure of the Complex and operational readiness: *Provided*, That of such amount $100,000,000 shall be deposited into the Capitol Police Buildings and Grounds Account established under section 906 of the of the 2002 Supplemental Appropriations Act for Further Recovery From and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States (2 U.S.C. 1865) for construction of security screening vestibules at the Capitol Building, and design and construction of security screening vestibules at the House of Representatives and Senate office buildings: *Provided further*, That funds made available under this heading may be used for design, installation, landscape architecture and to maintain a retractable security system as part of an interconnected security of the United States Capitol Grounds and such funds shall not be used to install permanent above ground fencing around the perimeter, or any portion thereof, of the United States Capitol Grounds as described in section 5102 of title 40, United States Code, in the current fiscal year or any fiscal year thereafter: *Provided further*, That amounts made available under this heading for the purposes specified hereunder shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That as soon as practicable after the date of the enactment of this Act the Architect of the Capitol, in coordination with the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate, after consultation with the Sergeants at Arms of the House of Representatives and the Senate, shall submit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate and the Chairpersons and ranking minority members of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, a signed, detailed spending plan for the use of the funds provided under this heading for review prior to the implementation of such plan and obligation of any such funds: *Provided further*, That such spend plan shall be updated and resubmitted every 90 days (from initial submission) until such time as all funds have been obligated: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this heading shall be available for reprogramming in an amount exceeding 10 percent of the total amount allocated under the most recent version of such spend plan without the written concurrence of the Chairpersons and ranking minority members of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: *Provided further*, That upon obligating or expending any funds provided under this heading, the person responsible for the obligation or expenditure shall notify the Architect of the Capitol Office of Inspector General of such action: *Provided further*, That not later than 45 days after the end of any calendar quarter during which amounts provided under this heading are obligated or expended, the Office of Inspector General shall review and submit a report on the uses of such funds during the quarter to the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, and the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

AUTHORITY OF ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL TO MAKE EXPENDITURES IN RESPONSE TO EMERGENCIES

SEC. 105. (a) COVERAGE OF COMMUTING EXPENSES.—Section 1305(a)(2) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2010 (2 U.S.C. 1827(a)(2)) is amended by inserting after ''refreshments,'' the following: ''transportation and other related expenses incurred by employees in commuting between their residence and their place of employment,''.

(b) EXPANDED AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SUPPLIES, PRODUCTS, AND SERVICES.—Section 1305(a) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 1827(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking ''and'' at the end of paragraph (1);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting ''; and''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(3) accept contributions of, and may incur obligations and make expenditures out of available appropriations for, supplies, products, and services necessary to respond to the emergency, which may be provided for the use of any office which is located within any building, grounds, or facility for which the Architect of the Capitol is responsible for the maintenance, care, and operation, on a reimbursable or non-reimbursable basis subject to the availability of funds.''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2021 and each succeeding fiscal year.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses'', $13,699,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, to respond to the aftermath of the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021 on the programs and activities of the Library of Congress: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 1402 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2014 (2 U.S.C. 132a–3), amounts provided under this heading in this chapter may be transferred among the accounts of the Library of Congress for the purposes provided under this heading in this chapter without the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate under section 1402(a) of such Act and shall not be subject to the limitation described in section 1402(b) of such Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

CHAPTER 2—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH COVID–19 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENT

SENATE

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE

For an additional amount for ''Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate'', $15,198,000, to remain available until expended to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, subject to approval by the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PAYMENTS TO WIDOWS AND HEIRS OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

For payment to Susan M. Wright, widow of Ronald Wright, late a Representative from the State of Texas, $174,000.

For payment to the heirs at law of Alcee Hastings, late a Representative from the State of Florida, $174,000.

ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for ''Allowances and Expenses'', $31,004,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for necessary expenses for business continuity and disaster recovery, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, to be allocated in accordance with a spend plan submitted to the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives by the Chief Administrative Officer and approved by such Committee: *Provided*, That of such amount, such sums as necessary may be used to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred by the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives prior to the date of the enactment of this Act to respond to coronavirus: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

CAPITOL POLICE

GENERAL EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for ''General Expenses'', $800,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 1001 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2014 (2 U.S.C. 1907a), amounts provided under this heading in this chapter may be transferred between the headings ''Salaries'' and ''General Expenses'' under the heading ''Capitol Police'' for the purposes provided under this heading in this chapter without the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses'', $170,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for ''Capital Construction and Operations'', $99,606,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for necessary expenses of the Architect of the Capitol to supplement the funding made available for the purposes described in title IX of Division B of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (Public Law 116–136), as amended by section 159(3) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 (134 Stat. 722; Public Law 116–159): *Provided*, That amounts made available under this heading in this chapter may be used for the purchase and distribution of supplies to respond to coronavirus, including, but not limited to, cleaning and sanitation supplies, masks and face coverings, and other equipment and supplies for distribution to and use by Congressional offices, committees and visitors, including provisions for travel and other necessary work carried out by staff in their Congressional Districts and State Offices, wherever located: *Provided further*, That Congressional offices and committees shall be responsible for distributing supplies to their staff in the corresponding Congressional District and State Office: *Provided further*, That of such amount, such sums as necessary may be used to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred by the Architect of the Capitol prior to the date of the enactment of this Act to respond to coronavirus: *Provided further*, That any such funds transferred by the Architect pursuant to the authority in the preceding proviso shall be merged with and made available for the same purposes, and period of availability, as the appropriations to which the funds are transferred: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses'', $16,223,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the impacts of coronavirus on the programs and activities of the Library of Congress, including revolving fund activities pursuant to the Library of Congress Fiscal Operations Improvement Act of 2000, the Copyright Office, the Congressional Research Service, and the Little Scholars Child Development Center: *Provided*, That not less than $50,000 may be made available for transfer for all necessary expenses of the Congressional Research Service under the provisions of section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 166): *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 1402 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2014 (2 U.S.C. 132a-3), amounts provided under this heading in this chapter may be transferred among the accounts of the Library of Congress for the purposes specified under this heading in this chapter without the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate under section 1402(a) of such Act and shall not be subject to the limitation described in section 1402(b) of such Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE BUSINESS OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND

For an additional amount for ''Government Publishing Office Business Operations Revolving Fund'', $7,300,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, including for offsetting losses in amounts collected pursuant to section 309 of title 44, United States Code, as a result of coronavirus: *Provided*, That of such amount, such sums as necessary may be used to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred by the Government Publishing Office prior to the date of the enactment of this Act to respond to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

TITLE II

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LEGAL ACTIVITIES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, GENERAL LEGAL ACTIVITIES

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses, General Legal Activities'', $3,800,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for the Criminal Division for necessary expenses related to prosecutions related to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, which shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purpose: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses, United States Attorneys'', $34,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for necessary expenses related to prosecutions related to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, which shall be in addition to amounts available for such purpose: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses'', $26,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, of which $25,000,000 shall be for judicial security, and of which $1,000,000 shall be to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents, may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

NATIONAL SECURITY DIVISION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses'', $1,700,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for additional workload related to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, which shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purpose: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses'', $5,500,000, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents, which shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses'', $1,500,000, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents, which shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

FEDERAL PRISON SYSTEM

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for ''Salaries and Expenses'', $1,800,000, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents, which shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

TITLE III

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MILITARY PERSONNEL

NATIONAL GUARD PERSONNEL, ARMY

For an additional amount for ''National Guard Personnel, Army'', $231,000,000, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents: *Provided*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

NATIONAL GUARD PERSONNEL, AIR FORCE

For an additional amount for ''National Guard Personnel, Air Force'', $28,900,000, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents: *Provided*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

For an additional amount for ''Operation and Maintenance, Army National Guard'', $218,500,000, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents: *Provided*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

For an additional amount for ''Operation and Maintenance, Air National Guard'', $42,500,000, to respond to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents: *Provided*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS TITLE

SEC. 301. In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Secretary of Defense, $200,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, to establish a quick reaction force within the District of Columbia National Guard: *Provided*, That the amount appropriated by this section shall be credited to appropriate appropriations accounts of the Army National Guard and Air National Guard that received appropriations in division C of Public Law 116–260, in proportions determined appropriate by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

TITLE IV

JUDICIARY

COURTS OF APPEALS, DISTRICT COURTS, AND OTHER JUDICIAL SERVICES

COURT SECURITY

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for ''Court Security'', $157,500,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That notwithstanding sections 331, 556(e)(1), and 566(i) of title 28, United States Code, amounts made available under this heading in this Act shall also be available to address judicial security vulnerabilities, including threat management capabilities, for the personal safety and security of Federal judges and their immediate families, and to transfer to or reimburse up to $35,000,000 to the Federal Protective Service for costs of required upgrades and replacement of exterior perimeter security cameras at United States courthouses and Federal facilities that house judicial activities: *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, and may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

FEDERAL FUNDS

FEDERAL PAYMENT FOR EMERGENCY PLANNING AND SECURITY COSTS IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

For an additional amount for ''Federal Payment for Emergency Planning and Security Costs in the District of Columbia'', $66,760,000, to remain available until expended, for the costs of providing public safety at events related to the presence of the National Capital in the District of Columbia, including support requested by the Director of the United States Secret Service in carrying out protective duties under the direction of the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for the costs of providing support to respond to immediate and specific terrorist threats or attacks in the District of Columbia or surrounding jurisdictions: *Provided*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder shall be in addition to amounts otherwise

available for such purposes, and may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

REAL PROPERTY ACTIVITIES

FEDERAL BUILDINGS FUND

For an additional amount to be deposited in the ''Federal Buildings Fund'', $5,000,000, to remain available until expended, for security improvement studies and assessments, which shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided*, That not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of General Services shall submit a spending plan regarding the use of such amount to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

TITLE V

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT

For an additional amount for ''Operations and Support'', $6,800,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022, for protection of persons and facilities and protective intelligence: *Provided*, That not later than 15 days after the date of enactment of this Act and quarterly thereafter, the Director of the United States Secret Service shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a plan for the obligation and expenditure of such funds, which shall include lifecycle and replacement costs, as appropriate: *Provided further*, That such funds may not be used to acquire or operate armored tactical vehicles or for any weapon, ammunition, or other equipment or material that is designed to inflict serious bodily harm or death: *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this heading in this Act for the purposes specified hereunder shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, and may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

TITLE VI

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

For an additional amount for ''Operation of the National Park System'', $9,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2022: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act, $6,700,000 shall be for expenses related to the attack on the United States Capitol Complex that occurred on January 6, 2021, and to prevent similar incidents, of which $1,400,000 may be made available to restore amounts, either directly or through reimbursement, for obligations incurred for such purposes prior to the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this heading in this Act, $2,300,000 shall be for costs associated with equipping the United States Park Police and National Park Service law enforcement with body worn cameras, and shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

TITLE VII

GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS ACT

SEC. 701. Each amount appropriated or made available by this Act is in addition to amounts otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year involved.

SEC. 702. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 703. Unless otherwise provided for by this Act, the additional amounts appropriated by this Act to appropriations accounts shall be available under the authorities and conditions applicable to such appropriations accounts for fiscal year 2021.

SEC. 704. Each amount designated in this Act by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 shall be available (or rescinded or transferred, if applicable) only if the President subsequently so designates all such amounts and transmits such designations to the Congress.

SEC. 705. In this Act, the term ''coronavirus'' means SARS–CoV–2 or another coronavirus with pandemic potential

This Act may be cited as the ''Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to January 6th Appropriations Act, 2021''.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The bill shall be debatable for 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) and the gentlewoman from Washington (Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the measure under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Connecticut?

There was no objection.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise in support of the Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to January 6th Appropriations Act.

Like many of us in the Capitol community, I am still shaken by the violence and terror of that day and the tragedies in its aftermath: the death of Officer Brian Sicknick, the Good Friday attack that killed Officer Billy Evans, and the emotional trauma that has led to the deaths of Officer Howie Liebengood and Metropolitan Police Department Officer Jeffrey Smith by suicide.

Congress owes it to every single person who works in or visits the United States Capitol to provide funding to recover, rebuild, and keep all who serve in the legislative branch safe, healthy, and secure.

The Appropriations Committee has acted very carefully to construct this package. We conducted a bipartisan briefing in January, discussed the issue at 12 subcommittee hearings, and closely reviewed the recommendations of Task Force 1–6 Capitol Security Review, led by Lieutenant General Russel Honore and comprised of senior, retired law enforcement officials and military leaders. We have also heard from inspectors general and consulted security experts in and out of government.

This bill is narrowly tailored to respond to January 6 and to protect the Capitol going forward. It contains $1.9 billion in emergency funding to reimburse the National Guard and District of Columbia for their response; provide the Capitol Police with overtime pay, retention bonuses, equipment replacement, and wellness and trauma support; ensures the Department of Justice can prosecute every person who attacked law enforcement and ransacked this building; provides bonuses and help to custodial staff; and it renames the Capitol Police Wellness Center in the memory of Officer Howie Liebengood.

As recommended by the Capitol Security Review, this legislation protects the Capitol by providing resources to harden windows and doors; construct security screening vestibules; install new cameras; and provide specialized training, riot control equipment, and body cameras for the Capitol Police.

To augment the Capitol Police, the legislation establishes and funds a dedicated quick reaction force of National Guard personnel, another recommendation of the Capitol Security Review.

This legislation also bolsters security for Members of Congress, with dedicated funding for enhanced security and threat assessments, coordinated Member travel security, and upgrades to security in district offices.

It has, most importantly, won the endorsement of the Capitol Police, to meet its evolving mission, and Lieutenant General Honore urged Congress to pass this funding.

We all sit in this Chamber, and we lived with the violent assault on our democracy and our lives. We must act now to fulfill our obligations and also our oath of office.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) will now control the time.

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise in opposition to H.R. 3237, a bill to provide funding for Capitol security and other purposes.

Unfortunately, after several weeks of discussion, my colleagues on the other side of the aisle have chosen a path of partisanship instead of working together. I want to explain how we ended up in this situation.

In January, the Speaker of the House directed a retired lieutenant general and his team to review security needs on the House side of the Capitol following the events of January 6. This review was directed without even consulting House Republicans or the Senate.

Even though the review by General Honore began as a partisan effort, members of the Appropriations Committee hoped things could get back on track and we could negotiate a funding agreement that could be supported by both parties in both Chambers.

That is why it is so disappointing that we are now left with the bill before us. This is a one-sided solution that does not even have buy-in from Democrats in the Senate.

The bill we are considering today implements permanent recommendations before ongoing security assessments are complete; it creates a multi-million-dollar fund for future expenses at the Capitol prior to knowing what is really needed; and it delays much-needed reimbursements for agencies that have protected the Capitol since January 6, such as the National Guard and the Capitol Police.

It also provides $200 million to establish a force within the D.C. National Guard to respond to incidents at the Capitol, raising serious concerns about the role of our military on American soil.

Some of our colleagues on the other side of the aisle have also raised concerns about using the National Guard in this way.

The chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Senator LEAHY, has said that it is important for the Capitol to remain open and accessible to the public and not feel like a militarized zone. I agree with him.

Matters of such importance like this should be handled in the proper way, marked up in the Appropriations Committee and authorizing committees so that Members' positions can be fully considered.

At the very least, amendments to this bill should have been allowed on the House floor today. Unfortunately, Members on both sides of the aisle have been shut out.

Madam Speaker, the events of January 6 were tragic and exposed serious security vulnerabilities around the Capitol complex, as well as an inability to properly respond and act when intelligence is provided.

Congress must prevent anything like this from ever happening again, but the bill before us today is not the solution.

There is no reason why we cannot continue discussing in good faith and reach a bipartisan compromise.

For this reason, I must urge my colleagues to vote ''no'' on this package. I hope we can get back to the negotiating table soon.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD), the chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Homeland Security.

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Madam Speaker, I would like to speak briefly to the Department of Homeland Security's portion of the supplemental, which includes $6.8 million.

The direct role of the Department of Homeland Security on January 6 was limited to the protection of Vice President PENCE and Vice President-elect HARRIS.

The Secret Service, like almost every other Federal agency, was insufficiently aware of open-source information that made clear the severity of the security threat on that day, and it failed to take seriously the threat information it was aware of.

Through discussions with the Secret Service, we identified $6.8 million in funding requirements to address security deficiencies that were exposed on January 6, generally related to the protection of the White House complex and open-source intelligence collection and analysis.

The total includes $2 million to reimburse the Secret Service for temporary anti-scale fencing used to expand the White House security perimeter beyond the permanent White House fence earlier this year.

It included temporary fencing around Blair House while Vice President Harris resided there during needed repairs to the official Vice Presidential residence.

This fencing was required by the heightened security posture associated with the Presidential transition.

These costs were unanticipated, because the Secret Service is unable to budget for a Presidential transition following a sitting President's first term in office.

The fiscal year 2021 funding bill for the Department of Homeland Security provided $43 million above the request to help cover some of the Presidential transition costs, but the Secret Service has had to absorb other costs, totaling more than $35 million. So this is a very modest but much-needed reimbursement.

The total also includes $3.2 million for less lethal equipment, civil disturbance unit training and vehicles, and the establishment of a new civil disturbance unit class to help the Secret Service improve its ability to appropriately respond to civil unrest.

Finally, the total includes $1.6 million to enhance the Secret Service's open-source intelligence analysis capability.

This is intended to help fill the gaps that led to a failure to identify the January 6 insurrectionists as a serious threat, based on open-source information available prior to that date.

I urge my colleagues to support the bill.

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Washington (Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER), the ranking member of the Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today in opposition to H.R. 3237, the Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to January 6th Appropriations Act.

There is broad bipartisan, bicameral agreement that a security supplemental is necessary. I believe that.

The committee was actively negotiating towards legislation that could have come to the floor in that spirit. However, the majority jumped to the gate early, which leaves us with a nearly $2 billion bill with too many unresolved issues.

Agencies across six subcommittees need to be reimbursed for the events that occurred in responding to the Capitol on January 6. We agree. Repairs have to be done. Support for the Capitol Police must be provided.

But we do not need to make premature decisions before the ongoing security assessments are complete, to commit funding that goes well beyond the scope of January 6, or authorize programs without any debate.

The assessment that was done by General Honore only looked at the House side of the Capitol. That is part of the challenge, is we are funding something that is incomplete.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentlewoman has expired.

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I yield an additional 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Washington.

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Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, we would be better served by holding this until the Architect of the Capitol completes their comprehensive assessment on both sides of the Capitol complex and the entire grounds before allocating significant sums of money. This amounts to the kind of slush fund creation that heightens Americans' distrust of Congress, and we certainly do not need to militarize the Capitol to keep our Members and staff safe. We can do better.

The unilateral move by the majority will only delay much-needed reimbursements for the agencies that protect the Capitol. We need to reignite the bipartisan discussions, and we need to do it soon.

Madam Speaker, I strongly urge a ''no'' vote.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I respectfully say to the gentlewoman from Washington State that the situation we face is dire. The Capitol Police do not have the equipment they need to secure the Capitol, and other security vulnerabilities have not been resolved.

Also, the Capitol Police force is reeling as January 6, the deaths of Officers Liebengood and Evans, overtime, and other issues continue to take a toll on officers' mental health. We cannot wait until the report of a commission.

Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. RYAN), the chairman of the Legislative Branch Subcommittee.

Mr. RYAN. Madam Speaker, let me just say we had a vote here yesterday to create a commission, a bipartisan commission, to go through all of these initiatives in a bipartisan way, and it was rejected by the vast majority of those on the other side.

We are trying to do this in a bipartisan way. It is what the American people want. It is what the American people deserve. This bill here is largely based on the recommendations from General Honore, who went to great lengths with four or five or six other generals to analyze what happened on January 6 and provide us with recommendations.

The time is now. We have to act. We hear about the rank-and-file police officers here who have 12-hour shifts, 16-hour shifts, don't have the equipment that they need, securing of the Capitol, the trauma that happened here. None of us are going to forget those events.

But this is a narrowly tailored bill to provide long overdue support. Here we are, working ourselves into the end of May. This is support for direct costs incurred by the attack on the Capitol and to restore the faith that Members of Congress can safely carry out our constitutional duties.

It demonstrates a strong commitment to continue to allow Americans from across the country to be able to come to the Capitol. We are not militarizing the Capitol. We are going to have a quick response force in case something happens similar to if there was a threat to the President, a threat to Washington, D.C., we start flying fighter jets overhead. This is the equivalent. We are not trying to militarize anything.

There is critical support in here for the Capitol Police to maintain the current workforce until we can hire and recruit more officers, such as backfilling overtime, hazard pay, and tuition credits, so we don't lose more of the Capitol Police to other agencies.

The bill includes $3.3 million for the Capitol Police's intelligence division, which was a huge part of the failures that occurred on January 6. So we want to invest and make sure that we have the intelligence capabilities that we need.

We want to make sure that the Capitol Police have all the equipment that they need, as the gentlewoman from Connecticut just said, gas masks, tactical vests, body armor.

I am proud of this bill, and I am proud this bill supports the emotional needs of Members of Congress, congressional employees, and the Capitol Police, with funding for both the Office of Employee Assistance and the Capitol Police wellness program.

This emergency supplemental appropriation renames the Capitol Police wellness program the Howard C. ''Howie'' Liebengood Center for Wellness. The bill provides funding for six new Capitol Police mental health counselors and wellness resilience specialists. This is an extremely necessary investment in our workforce, and it will help them grow and heal from the events of January 6 and the sad day of Good Friday.

I am also pleased that this bill establishes funds for future Capitol Grounds security.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield an additional 1 minute to the gentleman from Ohio.

Mr. RYAN. It also establishes funds for future Capitol Grounds security, including upgrades to windows, doors, security screening vestibules, and the installation of new cameras around the Capitol Building and House Office Buildings.

It includes $350,000 for hazard pay to the custodial staff that were working on the campus on January 6 and helped in the aftermath to get things cleaned up so we could continue our business. The employees have received the Architect's Exceptional Service Award and are recognized as valuable members of the Capitol community.

We have had many tough conversations with our colleagues, in looking at the Capitol security review and recommendations from General Honore. We also include $21 million to address Member security while traveling and in district offices.

We are living in a new reality. To address providing a safe and healthy community, we have included funding to reimburse and further support our legislative branch agencies in response to the coronavirus: Telework, sanitizing, cleaning our Capitol complex and district offices.

Madam Speaker, I am proud of the hard work of so many. I thank the gentlewoman from Connecticut for being a force to get this bill done. This supplemental needs to pass. We need to act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has again expired.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield an additional 15 seconds to the gentleman from Ohio.

Mr. RYAN. We have to act. If the American people can't see us acting in a bipartisan way when a group of people storm the Capitol, and we can't even pass a bill with Republican support to fix the doors and windows and provide more police officers, how are we going to do anything else?

Madam Speaker, this is a good bill. Please vote ''yes.''

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman from Washington State will now control the time in opposition.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I have the upmost respect both for the chair of the full committee and the subcommittee, and I have really enjoyed working with him on this.

I couldn't agree more with a lot of what was said, that we need to act, and we need to do it. I have demonstrated with my actions that I am willing to support a bipartisan commission. I have been willing to hold accountable people who I see in positions of leadership.

I think my biggest challenge is that General Honore did a one-sided review of the Capitol. If you read his review, his number one requirement for all of this to work was the Capitol Police Board needs to be completely rejiggered. I don't know if he said ''wiped out.'' I am using my own term here. But it doesn't work.

In order for the gear that the Capitol Police need to work, they need to have training. In order for them to have training, they need to have leadership. In order for them to have leadership, they need to have a board that gives their chief some authority. We all know that is a problem.

Can I ask the chair of the full committee, does this bill, in any way, reform the Capitol Police Board?

Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Connecticut.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I am happy to respond to the gentlewoman from Washington State, but, quite frankly, that is an issue that falls within the jurisdiction of the House Administration Committee. The chair is ZOE LOFGREN. It is my understanding that Chairman LOFGREN is, in fact, addressing that issue.

I concur that we have to deal with the issue of the Capitol board, but it does not fall within the jurisdiction of the Appropriations Committee.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, reclaiming my time, I thank the gentlewoman for her response. I would just add that we are stepping ahead of that reform by fully funding those requests, and I think that is where I am having some challenges. I am there. We are going to do this. I just think that putting funds in place to this tune of close to $2 billion, we need to know what we are going to spend that money on. We need to know that we got those reforms in place. I don't want to throw money at a situation unless we are going to reform it.

Part of the problem we saw on January 6 was the communications infrastructure. Certainly the gear. We have to deal with that. But it was so much more than that. It was the leadership. It was the leadership here. Certainly there was political leadership involved. I have spoken to that personally. That is part of the problem here. That is part of the problem with this bill, is we are putting the money there, but we are not reforming the system.

Madam Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. WOMACK).

Mr. WOMACK. Madam Speaker, before I get to my prepared remarks, let me just respond to my friend from Ohio. When he speaks, he makes it sound like that what went on here yesterday on the vote on the 1/6 commission was not bipartisan.

Let me remind the gentleman that the work of JOHN KATKO on our side and BENNIE THOMPSON on the Democratic side was absolutely bipartisan. There was a give-and-take for both sides. When the final vote was taken yesterday, yes, there were only 35 Republican votes, but I think that would qualify as a bipartisan vote yesterday. So to categorically suggest to the people who might be listening or watching today that that was one-sided is certainly inaccurate.

I agree with my friend from Washington that we need a better idea of how we are going to spend money before we do what Washington always does, and that is just throw a lot of money at the problem. So, naturally, I rise in opposition to this partisan security supplemental. It is certainly not bipartisan in its workup because there hasn't been any negotiation, as we saw with Mr. THOMPSON and Mr. KATKO yesterday.

This is just my opinion, but I believe that one of the biggest failures that led to what happened on 1/6 was a failure to act on intelligence that we knew. I supported that bipartisan commission because I want to see the intelligence. I want to see what was being said by all of our experts in the run-up to 1/6. I think part of the problem on January 6 was the fact that we did not act on intelligence that we knew.

If the National Guard was needed, there is a protocol in place to activate the National Guard.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. I yield an additional 1 minute to the gentleman from Arkansas.

Mr. WOMACK. So I object to the creation of a quick reaction force, a $200 million expense to bring the National Guard into the picture. There is a protocol in place. We ought to exercise it. The way you do it is you act on intelligence.

I also oppose creating the $250 million slush fund for future unknown costs. Let's understand what our security needs are before we throw a bunch of money at the problem.

It also includes funding for the judiciary and the District of Columbia that is unrelated to the January 6 attacks. The security of our Federal courts is extremely important, but that can be addressed through the regular appropriations process. We ought to do that.

Finally, I am disappointed the bill was not marked up by the Appropriations Committee and that the majority has prohibited amendments to improve the bill.

Madam Speaker, it is not going to surprise you or anybody else that I am not a big fan of this bill. I urge a ''no'' vote. Let's go back to the drawing board. Let's bring some sanity back to this process.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I just want to remind the gentleman that the last time a supplemental bill was brought before the Appropriations Committee was in 2009, under the direction of Chairman David Obey.

I also want to make a point that it did take an inordinate amount of time for reinforcements to come and assist the overrun Capitol Police. To have that not happen again, the Capitol security review, General Honore recommended a dedicated force ready to respond to any incident, just as we have the D.C. Air National Guard, which has a mission to protect the region's airspace.

Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from Maine (Ms. PINGREE), the chair of the Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies.

Ms. PINGREE. Madam Speaker, I thank the chair of the full Appropriations Committee, who has done an incredible job pulling all of these challenging issues together and putting this funding bill on the floor today.

The activities of January 6 were terrifying, whether you were sitting here in this Chamber or whether you were watching from anywhere around this country or around the world, viewing a violent assault on our democracy.

Thanks to the work of the Capitol Police and others in law enforcement, the loss of lives was so much less than they could have been. But as we all know, very tragically there were losses of life in our Capitol Police. Our police were brutally beaten, and we could watch it all happen.

That is why I rise today in support of this emergency security supplemental appropriations bill. The bill is the product of months of careful and deliberate analysis of the resource needs to enhance the security at the Capitol.

I am privileged to be the chair of the Appropriations Committee's Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee. I strongly support the funding this bill would provide to the National Park Service. Large-scale special events and demonstrations are a common occurrence in the District of Columbia, and they often move from the National Mall to the Capitol complex. U.S. Park Police and Capitol Police work closely to share information and law enforcement resources to handle these events.

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The funds provided in this bill would be used to backfill the Park Service's resources that were unexpectedly depleted during the January 6 attack and to prepare the agency for possible future threats.

I believe that it is critical that Congress provide sufficient resources to meet the security challenges, and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. RODNEY DAVIS), the ranking member of the Committee on House Administration.

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I thank my good friend for yielding.

This is one of the most disappointing days that I have had when it comes to figuring out a way to protect this Capitol complex. One of the most disappointing parts of this legislation is that both parties for both sides of the Capitol were working together on a bill, and out of nowhere, House Democrats stopped negotiating and decided on Friday to introduce their own partisan bill and rush it to the floor.

The press has even pointed out that the Senate will have to renegotiate this bill before it can pass, so I can't help but wonder why we are voting on this bill today when we could be voting on a deal that actually has a chance of becoming law.

Even worse, this bill is being sold as an appropriations bill, but there is a lot of legislating happening here—permanent security changes buried in this nearly $2 billion supplemental bill. As ranking member of the House Administration Committee, I can tell you that some of these permanent changes are within my committee's jurisdiction, and my committee hasn't held any hearings to review or examine these changes.

While I believe we need to make the National Guard whole for their service after January 6, this bill permanently establishes the National Guard as a quick reaction force. This was just one of the options provided in General Honore's report, but if I recall, he provided three options to establish a quick reaction force. I have some serious concerns about this being the most efficient and effective way to protect the Capitol in an emergency.

The bill also requires body cameras for each Capitol Police officer, with the exception of officers who are on protective detail for leadership and other Members. My committee has not reviewed this or why an exception was made for certain officers.

Additionally, this bill could allow Members to use taxpayer dollars to make upgrades to their homes for security purposes. As someone who has been shot at on a ballfield and received many threats from constituents and others over the years, I understand the need for protection, and there have already been changes to help increase safety. But I have a feeling some of our constituents wouldn't be happy with Members of Congress being able to use tax dollars to make improvements that could increase the value of their homes in the name of security.

I am disappointed with the process, Madam Speaker, and it is a shame we are not voting on a bipartisan bill that can make it through the Senate.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from

Illinois (Mr. QUIGLEY), the chairman of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, the January 6 attack obviously revealed the flaws in security of the Capitol.

Subsequent attacks on the Capitol complex have provided further stark evidence of the need to improve the physical security of the complex and other Federal buildings.

This supplemental provides the vital, urgently needed funding for security within the jurisdiction of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee.

In this Chamber, I remember one of my colleagues asking when the cavalry would arrive. The closest thing to the cavalry arriving was the D.C. Metropolitan Police Department.

The courage and dedication of the MPD in defending the Members, the Capitol, and our democracy, saved lives and helped this Congress return to business more quickly.

This bill includes funding to reimburse MPD for the costs associated with the events of the 6th, as well as other costs they have incurred due to the Federal presence in the District because we cannot allow the District of Columbia to shoulder the burden of defending Congress on their own.

In the aftermath of the events of the 6th, all Federal buildings and employees face additional increased security threats. This bill provides funding for additional security expenses for Federal judges and Federal court facilities, including security upgrades to exterior perimeter security camera systems at priority Federal courthouses.

This bill also includes General Services Administration buildings.

We must provide funding to conduct security assessments of Federal buildings, including blast mitigation and collapse studies, taking the first steps in being able to address security vulnerabilities.

No one should have to go to work afraid for their safety, none more so than our public servants. We must protect our democratic institutions, Congress, the courts, and all Federal agencies, so no elected official or public servant ever goes to work scared to execute their duty.

These threats are real, they are happening now, and lives are at stake. We cannot wait and must move quickly to pass this bill.

For those who would vote against the commission, or did, for those who would deny there was an insurrection, for those who would vote against this bill to protect us, you embody the new twisted world.

We grew up believing the phrase, ''I will believe it when I see it.'' You embody the phrase, ''I will see it when I believe it.'' God help us.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOODEN).

Mr. GOODEN of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise in opposition to this bill.

This partisan proposal would allocate over $2 billion of taxpayer resources for a wall around the U.S. Capitol and spend money on other things, like Members' personal security at home.

I don't believe the American people support that. I don't believe they understand what is in this bill. And I believe this bill would only serve to further separate the American people from their elected representatives here in Washington.

This is not the way we do business in the United States of America. It is not the way we should do business.

There are so many issues that are more worthy of our attention. The crisis at our border is unlike anything we have ever seen. We are recording 20-year highs in border crossings. But instead of completing the wall at our southern border, which would protect innocent children from being exploited by human traffickers and drug cartels, Democrats would rather spend $2 billion on a wall around this building in D.C.

This is the people's House, Madam Speaker, and I cannot support this proposal to take my constituents' hard-earned money and use it to keep them out.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOFGREN), the chairperson of the Committee on House Administration.

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of the bill. It provides funding to respond to the January 6 attack, during which violent insurrectionists, incited and encouraged by the former President, attacked this Capitol where we stand today.

Since the attack, the Committee on House Administration, assisted by General Honore, has reviewed Capitol security and has been examining the Capitol Police's preparation for and response to the attack.

The supplemental narrowly tailors a response to that attack. It makes sure that we have the physical improvements we know will need to be taken, and it supports the Capitol Police with wellness and trauma support and provides officers with the training and riot control equipment they should have had on the 6th.

For those who say we should not do anything today, it is a mistake to say if we can't do everything at the same time, we should do nothing.

This bill is a first step toward having a more secure facility that lodges the legislative branch of government. There are measures that we sent to the House Administration Committee for further review. I welcome that.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentlewoman has expired.

Ms. DELAURO. I yield the gentlewoman from California an additional 30 seconds.

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, to fail to act today is really to turn your backs on the men and women who fought as Capitol Police officers just yards from where we stand today. They were maimed. Their eyes were gouged. They lost fingers. Some of them died.

Don't turn your backs on them and vote against this bill.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I agree with a lot of the gentlewoman's sentiment that there is no question we must support the men and women of the Capitol Police. We must provide them the equipment, the training, and, most importantly, the leadership that supports their efforts.

Can I ask why you have not put together legislation to reform the police board if it is so all-important that we do so? It has been 5 months since January 6.

Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOFGREN), the chair of the Committee on House Administration, for the purpose of answering a question.

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, we had a hearing yesterday that went for more than 3 hours. We are likely to have additional hearings on that matter. It is not clear at the moment whether the board needs to be replaced, whether it was failings of the structure, or whether it was failings of the individuals holding the positions in that structure.

If I may, we will come forward with our best analysis of what changes should be made in the weeks to come.

Meanwhile, these officers need our support today. We can't hold back and do nothing.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Reclaiming my time, Madam Speaker, I think one of my challenges is it has been 5 months, and I myself have sat in meetings with the Senate Acting Sergeant of Arms, with police officers, with the police union. I have talked with the police union president. I have talked with individuals who were there on January 6. I have put together my own timeline of these events. And to say that, 5 months later, we are going to put the money before the actual reform to me says there is a dereliction of duty from the House Administration Committee.

I mean, how many hearings have taken place on January 6 in House Administration before today? You are telling me there was a meeting yesterday?

That is absolutely unacceptable that we are going to stand here today and say that we have to do this, Madam Speaker.

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, I would take exception to that. The House Administration Committee has had more oversight and more hearings, both at a Member level and a staff level, than any other committee in the House or Senate about the Capitol Police.

We don't have jurisdiction over everything, but we have not been derelict in our duty. And I take exception on the part of the whole committee, Republicans and Democrats, and their staff.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Reclaiming my time, Madam Speaker, I am 100 percent in agreement that we must put the funding behind the men and women who stand between us and violence, not a question. I am there.

What frustrates me is that I am being told that if I don't vote for this today, somehow I am not standing behind our men and women in blue when the House Administration Committee should have led the way with the Honore report. It was put out months ago. They could have put these reforms in place, could have told us how this money would be spent. But they didn't. Why?

And then they say it is not bipartisan unless we do what they want? I am sorry, but this isn't my money. These are taxpayer dollars, and I want to make sure that we are not just saying we spent the money and we are not reforming the system.

For this to never happen again, those reforms need to be in place.

To me, it is a missed opportunity, and I will not stand here, Madam Speaker, to have it laid at our feet to say somehow we are not supporting the men and women in blue. I will not abide by that charge.

I believe if that is the truth, then we need to make sure that we are all doing our work in getting the reforms in place so that the money can follow. That is how this whole place is designed to work. It is in the Constitution. That is what we are supposed to do.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I would hope the gentlewoman from Washington State would put her frustration aside—we all get frustrated in this body by so many things—and vote to support the folks who took care of us that day to deal with their backpay and a variety of other issues that were important.

Ms. LOFGREN. Will the gentlewoman yield?

Ms. DELAURO. I yield to the gentlewoman from California.

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, most of what is in this bill doesn't need a change in the law. You don't need a change in the law to provide training to the Capitol Police. That is baseline what our obligation is.

We failed to actually do what we are required to do, and to think that some further legislative action is needed is simply false.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, the point is, we are reimbursing the costs that were incurred that day.

I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. STANTON).

Mr. STANTON. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of this important bill to better secure our Capitol complex, which includes my legislation to provide body-worn cameras to Capitol Police officers and require their use.

Implementing a body-worn camera system for the United States Capitol Police was recommended in General Honore's important report.

In the wake of the January 6 attack, is there any doubt that the Federal criminal investigations would have greatly benefited from additional body camera footage?

In addition, in my experience as a mayor of a major American city, the city of Phoenix, I know that body-worn cameras improve safety, improve safety for officers, for the public, and for everyone in the community. They will improve safety for the people who work here at the Capitol complex.

I thank Chairwoman DELAURO and Congressman RYAN for working with me on this important issue.

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Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Let me just try to address a couple of issues that have been raised here during this debate.

Madam Speaker, I want to recount the Committee on Appropriations has worked for months to gather information to inform this bill. There were 12 subcommittee hearings. Actually, legislative branch, as the gentlewoman from Washington State knows, had at least eight hearings, and every subcommittee held more than one committee hearing.

In addition to that, other committees, House Administration, Committee on Oversight Reform, all had hearings with regard to this issue and the path forward. Beginning in April, Committee on Appropriations engaged in intense good-faith negotiations with our Republican counterparts. And unfortunately, it appears, I believe, that the leadership has prevented them from reaching an agreement in a timely manner.

Madam Speaker, I would just mention that the minority leader, he looked to sufficient time included in an end-of-the-year funding bill to strengthen the security of the Capitol complex. So in truth, the view was not to do it, not to continue in negotiation, but in fact, to delay a decision on this until the end of the year. We cannot wait in order to be able to effectuate security of this Capitol for all who work here and all who visit here.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Virginia (Ms. WEXTON), a member of the Committee on Appropriations.

Ms. WEXTON. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD the Liebengood Family Statement on the January 6 Commission and Security Supplemental.

LIEBENGOOD FAMILY STATEMENT ON THE JANUARY 6 COMMISSION AND SECURITY SUPPLEMENTAL

''We believe a thorough, non-partisan investigation into the root causes of and the response to the January 6th riot is essential for our nation to move forward. Howie's death was an immediate outgrowth of those events. Every officer who worked that day, as well as their families, should have a better understanding of what happened. Uncovering the facts will help our nation heal and may lessen the lingering emotional bitterness that has divided our country. We implore Congress to work as one and establish the proposed Commission.

Additionally, improved mental health for USCP officers has been one of our goals for the past four months. Through the tireless efforts of Congresswoman Wexton, we are honored a wellness program bearing Howie's name has been proposed in the security supplemental along with more resources for the program. We welcome and support the new funding and staffing initiatives that will help prevent future tragedies among the USCP.''

Ms. WEXTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today in strong support of this legislation. The January 6 insurrection led to the deaths of U.S. Capitol police officers Brian Sicknick and Howie Liebengood and Metro Police Officer Jeffrey Smith.

We have heard many stories of the broken bones and broken spirits that officers are still suffering to this day. They have been working around the clock since the insurrection, and are facing unsustainable hours due to being understaffed. It is heartbreaking. And it is also infuriating to hear other Members on this floor attempt to rewrite history and gaslight those officers with lies about January 6.

I am proud to have helped secure millions of dollars in funding through this bill for enhancement of mental health services, which includes six new counselors who will help the Capitol Police during this crisis and into the future.

I want to especially thank the family of fallen Capitol Police Officer Howie Liebengood, his wife, Serena, his siblings, John and Anne, for their advocacy on this bill. I hope that it is some solace to them that during this tragic time, that once this bill is signed into law, the Capitol Police Wellness Center will be renamed after Howie, so his life, legacy, and service to our Capitol will forever be remembered.

Madam Speaker, the Capitol Police cannot wait until the end of the year for the funding. I hope my colleagues will join me in supporting this legislation.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. CARTWRIGHT) controls the time of the majority.

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, we, as Members of Congress, all personally experienced the January 6 insurrection. And we owe it not only to the people of our Nation,

but to the democratic institutions in which we serve to investigate this attack, prosecute those involved to the full extent, and ensure that such an event never happens again. Madam Speaker, there is only one man, one person who is quoted on the walls of this august Chamber, this people's House.

Madam Speaker, that quotation is above your head, and it is by that man, Daniel Webster. This Nation was founded on the principle that we are a Nation of laws, not based on the caprice or the whim of people. We are a Nation of laws and there was no stronger advocate for that principle than Daniel Webster.

And he said this: He said: The law: it has honored us; let us honor it by executing it in its fullest severity.

If we don't do a proper job of investigating that insurrection on January 6 and prosecuting the people at fault, and the people in derogation of the criminal laws of this Nation, we will make a mockery, a sham of everything that Daniel Webster stood for.

To achieve the goal of full accountability and adherence to the law in my position of chair of the Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriation Subcommittee, I have been actively involved in addressing the issues raised following the January 6 insurrection, beginning with the immediate investigation and continuing over the days and weeks following the attack on the Capitol.

My subcommittee dug into the subject at public hearings this spring. We explored the subject of domestic violent extremism in our hearing with the Attorney General and the Justice Department's national security division.

Based on the results of these efforts, the CJS Subcommittee included funding for three priorities from January 6 security supplemental: Reimbursing several Justice Department bureaus for the January 6-related expenses; more resources to enhance the security of Federal judges; and most importantly, increased resources for Federal prosecutors to ensure they have the funding to implement the widest possible prosecution policy aimed at bringing to justice the perpetrators of January 6.

Again, I urge my colleagues to support this critical piece of legislation to ensure the safety and security of our democracy. Madam Speaker, I thank my fellow subcommittee chairs.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO).

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI), the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Ms. PELOSI. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding, the chair of the Committee on Appropriations. I thank her for bringing this important legislation to the floor. It is the product of great, intense review of what is needed to go forward, and it is lean. There are many other suggestions that people have. This is what is urgent for us to do now.

I thank the Committee on Appropriations, which is one of the committees of jurisdiction, having a series of hearings on the subject, all of the subcommittees of jurisdiction—I think there are six on there—and then even the Legislative Branch Committee, which has the most responsibility, had maybe seven hearings.

In addition to that, let's start on that horrible day. Springing right from that, I called upon General Honore to review what has happened. I saw the work that he did in Katrina. That is how I got to know his work, and I knew that he would be an objective reviewer of what we needed. He put together a very blue ribbon committee of law enforcement and national security advisers—national security at the general level, generals in the military—and they put forth their recommendations of what we needed to do in the short term and in the long term. And many of those suggestions, in the short term, are in this legislation.

There are those who say, well, we can't wait till we do the commission report—when they vote against the commission report—until we do this, like next year or the end of the year. No, the need is immediate, and it is now.

So I thank Madam Chair DELAURO of the Committee on Appropriations, these subcommittee chairs for the multiple hearings that they have had on this subject, and I thank the chair of the House Administration Committee for the hearings that they have had in that committee as well to hone in on what is urgently needed now.

I also salute the chair of the Committee on Homeland Security, Chairman BENNIE THOMPSON, working in a bipartisan way with Mr. KATKO, to bring the legislation—so important—in a bipartisan way to the floor yesterday. And I salute the work that they did.

Madam Speaker, here we are, we have specific needs, honed to how we listened to the Architect of the Capitol as to what we need to harden the Capitol, the windows and doors.

There are Members who have said, ''Why are we doing that?'' It was just a normal day of tourism in the Capitol, while that same person who said that is pictured in the news pushing furniture up against the door to keep the brawlers out of this Chamber.

Normal day in the Capitol? Not so.

So we know what is possible now. Who could have imagined that the President of the United States would incite an insurrection? Should we have been prepared for that? Who would have imagined that? But could we have been prepared better? Yes. And we know what we must do now.

This has been an important week in the House as a revised gold medal legislation is being submitted. It is bipartisan. I am pleased to hear that the Republican leader, Mr. MCCARTHY, supports adding those who were attacked, assaulted, in fact, killed—the one killed, Billy Evans—on Good Friday. So that is in the works and we will take that up as soon as we come back.

Yesterday, we had a big, strong bipartisan vote on the commission. Today, we are saying this is what we need to do now. We may need to do more as the commission does its work, as the committees of jurisdiction continue their hearings. So today, we continue to defend the Constitution and the Capitol with an emergency supplemental bill.

Now much of what is happening in the Capitol in terms of restriction of visitors and the rest relates to COVID. And as that unfolds more favorably, we need to be sure that when we have children come and families enjoy and legislators passing laws and the press covering it all, and people coming to see the people's House in action, that they will be safe.

Madam Speaker, the legislation, again, builds on the action that happened yesterday, and hopefully, we can move quickly through the Senate and make the necessary appointments so that the product of that will be respected by the American people.

General Honore's report—I mentioned General Honore—he said, ''The breach of the Capitol on January 6 brought into stark relief the need to immediately improve the security of the Capitol complex and the security of Congressional Members and staff, and the workers who make our lives possible here. Immediate action is therefore required.'' Immediate action is therefore required: General Honore.

This supplemental, again, protects Members of Congress, of course, the Capitol, employees, visitors, including bolstering the physical security of the complex, creating a new reaction force for cases of emergency.

It responds to the direct costs of the attack on the Capitol. There were direct costs, including related to response and presence of the National Guard—that has to be paid for—District of Columbia and other Federal agencies, and to the prosecution of the insurrectionists.

Proudly, it recognizes the sacrifices of the Capitol Police; supporting them with overtime pay, bonuses, and trauma support, as well as specialized training and equipment. And it honors the late Officer Howie Liebengood by creating the ''Howard C. 'Howie' Liebengood Center for Wellness.''

We are very pleased and proud of that, and we thank the Liebengood family for their involvement in that creation, and my colleague, Congresswoman WEXTON of Virginia for her role in this.

Protecting the security of the Capitol so we can do our constitutional work on behalf of the American people should not be controversial. Four

months ago, multiple lives were lost. Over 140 law enforcement officers were physically harmed. Trauma and terror were inflicted on our colleagues, our staff, and ourselves.

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Today, in passing this legislation, the House is taking a strong step forward to bring healing to our congressional community and to ensure that this horror can never happen again.

Let me close again by quoting General Honore's report:

''As you consider the recommendations of this task force, we must not forget it was the riotous actions of an angry mob that laid bare the vulnerabilities of the Capitol complex.

''We must not long endure any discourse that prevents or delays efforts necessary to strengthen the security of the U.S. Capitol complex and enhance the safety of those who serve the American people in Congress.''

Madam Speaker, I urge a strong bipartisan vote on this emergency security supplemental to respond. And as the gentlewoman from Washington pointed out, there are many more things that we need to do, but we have to prioritize. We have to sequence. We can't wait until we know every answer before we start with the solutions that we are well-aware and that we know of.

Again, some of this will depend on the resources in this legislation that will enable us to find out what it does cost to protect the Capitol in a way that is the least offensive to all of us, that says that this Capitol sits confidently, but assured that we will be protected when necessary, but that we don't need all of that protection outside, the fences and the rest, all the time. If we need it, we will have it when we need it.

Again, those are decisions that have to be made from a technical standpoint, as well as a security and safety standpoint, and this legislation enables that to happen.

There are those who say: Well, it didn't work then, so why is it going to work?

You know what, let's have confidence.

There is one word that I would say we need to rely on in all of this, and that is the word ''trust.'' Let us trust in each other that our purpose is the same; that we relied on the expert advice of generals and law enforcement and the rest, as to what we need immediately—to use their word, ''immediately.'' Let us trust that we can have the review that is necessary. We must have a review of the hierarchy of authority here.

What is this police board? How is that graded? Why can't we do that in a different way?

We have a search committee looking for a new chief of police. Our current chief of police may be in that mix, I don't know, because this is an objective search for a police chief.

So we look forward to working in a bipartisan way because that cannot be anything but nonpartisan. The House and Senate, Democrats and Republicans, honor our responsibility, our housekeeping responsibilities, to keep this place safe, and to have a chain of command that is clear.

Where is the responsibility for this? Is it in that police board, of which the police chief is not a member?

I agree with the gentlewoman, those kinds of issues are not resolved, but that should not hold up getting what we need in place right now. As the virus is relaxing some of the restrictions, we will be able, again, to function this summer as the U.S. Capitol, the welcoming beacon of democracy that it has always been, but with the assurance that it will be safe.

Madam Speaker, hopefully we will have a strong bipartisan vote on this. And I am very proud of what happened yesterday. I thank the gentlewoman for her leadership in that regard.

Madam Speaker, I praise the Appropriations Committee for bringing this to the floor. I thank the Homeland Security Committee for their great work and also as the authorizer. I also thank the House Administration Committee for the piece of this that they have.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I agree with the Speaker of the House that we do need to trust; and we, at some point, need to rely on one another's better nature, honestly. I have been walking through that this year ad nauseam, and will continue to do so. And it is in that same spirit of comity that is part of the reason I raised this challenge. I have not been afraid to challenge my own team at all, but that is part of why I am also not afraid to challenge the other team.

If I refer back to General Honore's report, which is the basis for what we are being asked to vote on this for, under his piece, the Capitol Police Board Decision-making During Emergencies, he said: ''The Capitol Police Board's deliberate decision-making process proved too slow and cumbersome to respond to the crisis in January, delaying requests for critical supplemental resources. We recommend revisions to 2 U.S. Code 1970 and 1974 to give the USCP Chief the authority to request external law enforcement and National Guard support without CPB preapproval in extraordinary emergency circumstances. . . . ''

And he goes on to explain that.

So it is not like we have to do a lot of research to figure out what laws need to change in order to be compliant with General Honore's report. And that would give me a whole lot more—it would allow me to trust and verify that we are spending this money in the way that we should. But they are not doing it, Madam Speaker. That is what really bugs me.

We were in good negotiations trying to work this out, and all of a sudden last week, it is just done, we are not going to negotiate anymore. That is my problem.

What other pieces in this bill are not fully fleshed out?

I think it was a very important point to make that, look, I am for protecting this Capitol and the staff that serve here, and the men and women that serve here, and I will back up our police officers any day of the week and twice on Sunday, but it really bothers me that it is a priority when our security is threatened. We have got all these other emergencies around this country, things like the southern border, and we are just going to sit on it.

Madam Speaker, I am not saying hold everything back, as is being promoted. They are saying hold everything back just because we don't have everything else figured out.

Well, why don't we take the steps that we know that need to be addressed?

I mentioned the southern border. That is a crisis we know. But at least take General Honore's report and implement it, and then I wouldn't be as opposed to funding it.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from New York (Mr. ESPAILLAT), a member of the Appropriations Committee.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Madam Speaker, congratulations to our chair, Congresswoman ROSA DELAURO, for her hard work.

Madam Speaker, a day after passing the historic commission with robust bipartisan help, we are here now to support this emergency security funding bill. The attacks on January 6 exposed the dire state of our Capitol's security infrastructure.

As a member of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Subcommittee, I have been alarmed to learn of just how outdated our security infrastructure really is, and how we had let it deteriorate for far too long.

The funding package that we are about to pass today will change that. It will allocate $2 billion in investment, including updating cameras on Capitol grounds, purchasing new protective equipment, increasing the number of frequency of security sweeps, et cetera.

I called for many of these changes and improvements back on January 6 and January 7. I am glad to be here to support this.

Madam Speaker, I rise to support this bill.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GONZALES).

Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas. Madam Speaker, as I have listened to the debate on this legislation to provide emergency funding, I realize it is tone-deaf. The true emergencies we should be funding are not part of this bill.

We have a southern border crisis. If that is not enough, we have a crisis in the Middle East. We have an emergency situation at our southern border.

And even as we debate, the United States' closest ally, Israel, is under attack by constant terrorist threat. Hamas and the Palestinian Islamic jihad, proxies of Iran, have been attacking Israel for 2 weeks and have fired over 4,000 rockets from Gaza into Israel.

Now is the time to stand with our ally, Israel. We need to show them that we believe in their right to defend themselves, and the United States will do everything within our power to ensure they defeat these terrorists and any attacks by Iran.

Will my Democrat colleagues choose to stand with Israel? Or will they cower to the Iranian proxies?

U.S. security assistance to Israel has been crucial to countering the many threats Israel faces on a daily basis. Our security partnerships serve as an active participant. The investment in the Iron Dome defense system that counters short-range rockets is one of the most important investments we have made toward the peace in the Middle East.

Not only does it save Israeli lives, it saves thousands of Palestinian lives. If the 4,000 rockets fired by terrorists had hit their targets, Israel would have had no choice but to escalate the conflict.

Madam Speaker, if we adopt the motion to recommit, we will instruct the Committee on Appropriations to consider my amendment to H.R. 3237. It would provide emergency funding for the Iron Dome defense system to ensure that Israel has the system it needs to continue defending against these attacks and enable the Israelis to replenish the thousands of interceptors they have used.

Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to include the text of the amendment in the RECORD immediately prior to the vote on the motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I just want to say that I appreciate the debate that we have had today. I don't think any of us disagree on what we want. We want a safe and secure Capitol. We want to make sure that the people who work here are taken care of. We want to make sure that we are backfilling everything from overtime pay to mental health needs. And we want to make sure that that is all done to fix or to address some of the challenges we have had this year.

But, in addition, because we are talking about such a great sum of money and resources, I want to make sure it never happens again. There are other things that are happening alongside this. We have talked about the commission today, and we have talked about other things.

But our responsibility with this is to make sure, as appropriators, that we are spending money and we are verifying that it is being used to the best end. That is, right now, ultimately what I think we can do better with. It is true right now that the Senate, both Republicans and Democrats, are not in line with what this legislation is.

So if we take a little bit more time and we do this right, we can come out with something that we can all be proud of, that will do the job that it is intended to do.

I am very disappointed to recommend a ''no'' vote on the underlying legislation.

Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

I am disappointed that the gentlewoman from Washington State will not find her way to vote for the bill. We have worked on many issues together on the Appropriations Committee, yes, in fact, in meetings about the Capitol Police Board and other efforts. As it has been stated, we worked for months on the Appropriations Committee with numerous hearings in order to be able to engage on a bipartisan basis.

Unfortunately, the leadership of the minority leader, I believe, saw that the direction that this bill should go in is in the end of the year. In that case, we cannot begin to fix the problems that occurred.

Madam Speaker, I remember January 6, as we all do. I sat in the Gallery. I sat right up there as we counted the electoral votes, which was our constitutional duty, in order to certify the election of the President of the United States.

I was here, at the podium, when the Capitol policeman said, The rioters have breached the Capitol. They are in the rotunda. They are on their way to the House Chamber, to those doors right there, those doors that were shattered and smashed that day, and where there were barricades that were put up against it.

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We were told to grab a gas mask. I didn't know we had gas masks here. We did that, and no sooner than that, we were told we have to evacuate, you make your way.

I can still trace my steps around the perimeter of this gallery, all the way around, going underneath these barriers here. All of us, Democrats, Republicans, and members of the press who were there that day, and young people who came here to work, we were together. We were holding on to one another because we knew there was imminent danger.

I won't ever forget us getting around to that side of the gallery when the Capitol Police said to hit the floor because of gunshots—gunshots. We all hit the floor, Democrats and Republicans, at the order of the Capitol Police, to protect us from what was going on that day.

As I lay on the floor with very little juice in my cell phone, I called my husband. I didn't want to say to him, ''I love you,'' because it brought back to me the remembrance of 9/11 and those last words that people uttered. I just said: ''I am fine. I am going to be evacuated. Call the kids and let them know it is okay.''

This bill is not about politics. It is not about settling scores. It is about ensuring that every person who comes onto the Capitol Grounds is safe and is protected.

The funding is not optional. This vote is not a show vote. It is about protecting the seat of democracy and the men, the women, and the young people who work here.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to do the right thing and pass this bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, the criminal invasion of the U.S. Capitol on January 6th created an unprecedented test for liberty lovers to respond and protect democracy for generations to come.

We owe it to our law enforcement community, and indeed everyone who works in or visits our Capitol, to respond with means to recover and rebuild from the insurrection,

The U.S. Capitol holds national and international significance as the temple of liberty and representational democracy. The invaders, many in paramilitary attire more modern and protective than what our own officers were provided, exposed gaps and weaknesses at the highest levels. Our failure to act now only invites our greatest adversaries an open door to further harm.

We continue to mourn the officers we lost, those who were physically injured, and the countless who continue to suffer from mental and emotional distress. Let us act in their honor.

Through Chairwoman DELAURO's leadership, the Appropriations Committee held extensive hearings and conversations with security experts, gathering critical recommendations to address the immediate security needs.

As such, this bill provides $1.9 billion in emergency appropriations to:

Provide funds to repair the physical wounds to the Capitol Complex and build back with stronger security enhancements.

It invests in means to protect Members of Congress, congressional staff, and visitors following the recommendations of the Capitol Security Review.

It provides resources to the United States Capitol Police for officer salaries, equipment, training, and mental health counseling.

And provides resources for enhanced security for Members of Congress.

Today, Congress must provide confidence to our Capitol Hill community that the safety and security of all who work within and visit the temple of liberty remains a top priority. I encourage all my colleagues to support this important legislation.

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today in opposition to H.R. 3237.

While I support some of its provisions, I have strong concerns about many items included in this bill and the manner by which the majority has crafted it.

As the Ranking Member of the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, I am strongly supportive of the reimbursement to the National

Guard for the costs incurred due to their extended deployment in support of Capitol Police and other law enforcement agencies. We need to reimburse them as soon as possible to avoid having to cancel drill weekend and other training.

Our Guardsmen and women have patriotically taken time away from their families, careers, and communities to protect our nation's capital. I, along with my colleagues, thank them for their service.

However, I am strongly opposed to the majority's proposal to stand up a Quick Reaction Force comprised of the D.C. National Guard.

While Congress should consider the creation of a form of a Quick Reaction Force, it should be comprised of law enforcement, not military. They are better suited and have training that is more specific to this mission.

Like much of this bill, the majority has hastily crafted this concept in a partisan manner without thinking through all of the ramifications. Our subcommittee has held no hearings on this issue. This issue deserves a much more thoughtful and deliberate approach.

I also echo my colleagues concerns about the funding proposed to create physical barriers around the Capitol complex. The extended duration of the fencing has been entirely unnecessary. Continuing this into the future is expensive, misguided, and is unfair to the American people—who deserve access to their Nation's Capital.

For these reasons and others, I urge my colleagues to vote no.

Ms. LEE of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today in strong support of the Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to January 6th Appropriations Act.

I'd like to thank Speaker PELOSI, Chairwoman ROSA DELAURO, Subcommittee Chair TIM RYAN and the other Subcommittee chairs for their extraordinary leadership in crafting this emergency package to respond to the urgent need for a safer and more secure Capitol.

I was here on the House Floor during the violent insurrection on January 6th. In carrying out our tradition of the peaceful transfer of power, a mob tried to violently overthrow our government because of Donald Trump's false narrative of election fraud. On the global stage, we are a nation that condemns violent attempts to negate the outcomes of free and fair elections and yet in our Nation's capital we saw an armed standoff at the door of the House Chamber and tear gas deployed in the rotunda.

This bill would address the direct costs incurred by agencies in the riotous attack. It funds security improvements to the Capitol and specialized training for Capitol police. Lastly, it also provides funding for the continued prosecution of the perpetrators.

As we have seen, the lie that incited the riot has not gone away. The white supremacist ideology that fuels these lies and conspiracy theories persists. Looking towards the future, it is important that we pass this bill to improve the protection of the Capitol for those who visit and work here daily.

I urge the passage of the Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to the January 6th Appropriations Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All time for debate has expired.

Pursuant to House Resolution 409, the previous question is ordered on the bill.

The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT

Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas. Madam Speaker, I have a motion to recommit at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Tony Gonzales of Texas moves to recommit the bill H.R. 3237 to the Committee on Appropriations.

The material previously referred to by Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas is as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

PROCUREMENT

PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE

For an additional amount for ''Procurement, Defense-wide '', and ''Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Defense-Wide'', $500,000,000, shall remain available until September 30, 2024, for the Israeli Cooperative Programs: *Provided*, That of this amount, $73,000,000 shall be for the Secretary of Defense to provide to the Government of Israel for the procurement of the Iron Dome defense system to counter short-range rocket threats, subject to the U.S.-Israel Iron Dome Procurement Agreement, as amended; $177,000,000 shall be for the Short Range Ballistic Missile Defense (SRBMD) program, including cruise missile defense research and development under the SRBMD program, of which $50,000,000 shall be for co-production activities of SRBMD systems in the United States and in Israel to meet Israel's defense requirements consistent with each nation's laws, regulations, and procedures, subject to the U.S.-Israeli co-production agreement for SRBMD, as amended; $77,000,000 shall be for an upper-tier component to the Israeli Missile Defense Architecture, of which $77,000,000 shall be for co-production activities of Arrow 3 Upper Tier systems in the United States and in Israel to meet Israel's defense requirements consistent with each nation's laws, regulations, and procedures, subject to the U.S.-Israeli co-production agreement for Arrow 3 Upper Tier, as amended; and $173,000,000 shall be for the Arrow System Improvement Program including development of a long range, ground and airborne, detection suite: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX, the previous question is ordered on the motion to recommit.

The question is on the motion to recommit.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(s) of House Resolution 8, the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 209, nays 218, not voting 2, as follows:

[Roll No. 155]

YEAS—209

Aderholt
Allen
Amodei
Armstrong
Arrington
Babin
Bacon
Baird
Balderson
Banks
Barr
Bentz
Bergman
Bice (OK)
Biggs
Bilirakis
Bishop (NC)
Boebert
Bost
Brady
Brooks
Buchanan
Buck
Bucshon
Budd
Burchett
Burgess
Calvert
Cammack
Carl
Carter (GA)
Carter (TX)
Cawthorn
Chabot
Cheney
Cline
Cloud
Clyde
Cole
Comer
Crawford
Crenshaw
Curtis
Davidson
Davis, Rodney
DesJarlais
Diaz-Balart
Donalds
Duncan
Dunn
Emmer
Estes
Fallon
Feenstra
Ferguson
Fischbach
Fitzgerald
Fitzpatrick
Fleischmann
Fortenberry
Foxx
Franklin, C. Scott
Fulcher
Gaetz
Gallagher
Garbarino
Garcia (CA)
Gibbs
Gimenez
Gohmert
Gonzales, Tony
Gonzalez (OH)
Good (VA)
Gooden (TX)
Gosar
Granger
Graves (LA)
Graves (MO)
Green (TN)
Greene (GA)
Griffith
Grothman
Guest
Guthrie
Hagedorn
Harris
Harshbarger
Hartzler
Hern
Herrell
Herrera Beutler
Hice (GA)
Higgins (LA)
Hill
Hinson
Hollingsworth
Hudson
Huizenga
Issa
Jackson
Jacobs (NY)
Johnson (LA)
Johnson (OH)
Johnson (SD)
Jordan
Joyce (OH)
Joyce (PA)
Katko
Keller
Kelly (MS)
Kelly (PA)
Kim (CA)
Kinzinger
Kustoff
LaHood
LaMalfa
Lamborn
Latta
LaTurner
Lesko
Letlow
Long
Loudermilk
Lucas
Luetkemeyer
Mace
Malliotakis
Mann
Mast
McCarthy
McCaul
McClain
McClintock
McHenry
McKinley
Meijer
Meuser
Miller (IL)
Miller (WV)
Miller-Meeks
Moolenaar
Mooney
Moore (AL)
Moore (UT)
Mullin
Murphy (NC)
Nehls
Newhouse
Norman
Nunes
Obernolte
Owens
Palazzo
Palmer
Pence
Perry
Pfluger
Posey
Reed
Reschenthaler
Rice (SC)
Rodgers (WA)
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rose
Rosendale
Rouzer
Roy
Rutherford
Salazar
Scalise
Schweikert
Scott, Austin
Sessions
Simpson
Smith (MO)
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smucker
Spartz
Stauber
Steel
Stefanik
Steil
Steube
Stewart
Taylor
Tenney
Thompson (PA)
Tiffany
Timmons
Turner
Upton
Valadao
Van Drew
Van Duyne
Wagner
Walberg
Walorski
Waltz
Weber (TX)
Wenstrup
Westerman
Williams (TX)
Wilson (SC)
Wittman
Womack
Young
Zeldin

NAYS—218

Adams
Aguilar
Allred
Auchincloss
Axne
Barragán
Bass
Beatty
Bera
Beyer
Bishop (GA)
Blumenauer
Blunt Rochester
Bonamici
Bourdeaux
Bowman
Boyle, Brendan F.
Brown
Brownley
Bush
Bustos
Butterfield
Carbajal
Cárdenas
Carson
Carter (LA)
Cartwright
Case
Casten
Castor (FL)
Castro (TX)
Chu
Cicilline
Clark (MA)
Clarke (NY)
Cleaver
Clyburn
Cohen
Connolly
Cooper
Correa
Costa
Courtney
Craig
Crist
Crow
Cuellar
Davids (KS)
Davis, Danny K.
Dean
DeFazio
DeGette
DeLauro
DelBene
Delgado
Demings
DeSaulnier
Deutch
Dingell
Doggett
Doyle, Michael F.
Escobar
Eshoo
Espaillat
Evans
Fletcher
Foster
Frankel, Lois
Gallego
Garamendi

García (IL)
Garcia (TX)
Gomez
Gonzalez, Vicente
Gottheimer
Green, Al (TX)
Grijalva
Harder (CA)
Hayes
Higgins (NY)
Himes
Horsford
Houlahan
Hoyer
Huffman
Jackson Lee
Jacobs (CA)
Jayapal
Jeffries
Johnson (GA)
Johnson (TX)
Jones
Kahele
Kaptur
Keating
Kelly (IL)
Khanna
Kildee
Kilmer
Kim (NJ)
Kind
Kirkpatrick
Krishnamoorthi
Kuster
Lamb
Langevin
Larsen (WA)
Larson (CT)
Lawrence
Lawson (FL)
Lee (CA)
Lee (NV)
Leger Fernandez
Levin (CA)
Levin (MI)
Lieu
Lofgren
Lowenthal
Luria
Lynch
Malinowski
Maloney, Carolyn B.
Maloney, Sean
Manning
Massie
Matsui
McBath
McCollum
McEachin
McGovern
McNerney
Meeks
Meng
Mfume
Moore (WI)
Morelle
Moulton
Mrvan
Murphy (FL)
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal
Neguse
Newman
Norcross
O'Halleran
Ocasio-Cortez
Omar
Pallone
Panetta
Pappas
Pascrell
Payne
Perlmutter
Peters
Phillips
Pingree
Pocan
Porter
Pressley
Price (NC)
Quigley
Raskin
Rice (NY)
Ross
Roybal-Allard
Ruiz
Ruppersberger
Rush
Ryan
Sánchez
Sarbanes
Scanlon
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schneider
Schrader
Schrier
Scott (VA)
Scott, David
Sewell
Sherman
Sherrill
Sires
Slotkin
Smith (WA)
Soto
Spanberger
Speier
Stanton
Stevens
Strickland
Suozzi
Swalwell
Takano
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Titus
Tlaib
Tonko
Torres (CA)
Torres (NY)
Trahan
Trone
Underwood
Vargas
Veasey
Vela
Velázquez
Wasserman Schultz
Waters
Watson Coleman
Welch
Wexton
Wild
Williams (GA)
Wilson (FL)
Yarmuth

NOT VOTING—2

Golden
Webster (FL)

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Messrs. CLYBURN, KILDEE, Mrs. HAYES, Messrs. GOTTHEIMER, DOGGETT, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. FLETCHER, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Mr. CLEAVER changed their vote from ''yea'' to ''nay.''

Messrs. POSEY, SCHWEIKERT, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, and Mr. BURGESS changed their vote from ''nay'' to ''yea.''

So the motion to to recommit was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Allred (Wexton)
Beatty (Lawrence)
Bishop (GA) (Butterfield)
Boebert (Gosar)
Buchanan (Dunn)
Cárdenas (Gallego)
Carter (TX) (Calvert)
Crenshaw (Pfluger)
Deutch (Rice (NY))
Doyle, Michael F. (Cartwright)
Grijalva (Garcia (IL))
Johnson (TX) (Jeffries)
Katko (Stefanik)
Kelly (IL) (Kuster)
Kirkpatrick (Stanton)
Lawson (FL) (Evans)
Lieu (Beyer)
Lowenthal (Beyer)
McEachin (Wexton)
McHenry (Banks)
Mfume (Evans)
Mullin (Cole)
Napolitano (Correa)
Norman (Van Drew)
Ocasio-Cortez (Bush)
Pascrell (Pallone)
Payne (Pallone)
Perlmutter (Neguse)
Ruppersberger (Raskin)
Rush (Underwood)
Sewell (DelBene)
Slotkin (Axne)
Waters (Barragán)
Wilson (FL) (Hayes)
Wilson (SC) (Timmons)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

Pursuant to clause 10 of rule XX, the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 213, nays 212, answered ''present'' 3, not voting 2, as follows:

[Roll No. 156]

YEAS—213

Adams
Aguilar
Allred
Auchincloss
Axne
Barragán
Bass
Beatty
Bera
Beyer
Bishop (GA)
Blumenauer
Blunt Rochester
Bonamici
Bourdeaux
Boyle, Brendan F.
Brown
Brownley
Bustos
Butterfield
Carbajal
Cárdenas
Carson
Carter (LA)
Cartwright
Case
Casten
Castor (FL)
Castro (TX)
Chu
Cicilline
Clark (MA)
Clarke (NY)
Cleaver
Clyburn
Cohen
Connolly
Cooper
Correa
Costa
Courtney
Craig
Crist
Crow
Cuellar
Davids (KS)
Davis, Danny K.
Dean
DeFazio
DeGette
DeLauro
DelBene
Delgado
Demings
DeSaulnier
Deutch
Dingell
Doggett
Doyle, Michael F.
Escobar
Eshoo
Espaillat
Evans
Fletcher
Foster
Frankel, Lois
Gallego
Garamendi
García (IL)
Garcia (TX)
Golden
Gomez
Gonzalez, Vicente
Gottheimer
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REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1127

Ms. ESHOO (during the vote). Madam Speaker, I ask to be removed as cosponsor of H.R. 1127.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman's request cannot be entertained during a vote.

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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Madam Speaker, while I unintentionally missed the vote on rollcall 156, I would have voted no.

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REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1127

Mr. MOULTON. Mr. Speaker, I remove my name as a cosponsor of H.R. 1127.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. JONES). The gentleman's request is granted.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1127

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I remove my name as a cosponsor of H.R. 1127.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman's request is granted.

PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF BARBARA BARRETT AS A CITIZEN REGENT OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on House Administration be discharged from further consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 27) providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

The text of the joint resolution is as follows:

H.J. RES. 27

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in accordance with section 5581 of the Revised Statutes (20 U.S.C. 43), the vacancy on the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, in the class other than Members of Congress, occurring by reason of the expiration of the term of David M. Rubenstein of Maryland on May 7, 2021, is filled by the appointment of Barbara M. Barrett of Arizona. The appointment is for a term of 1,912 days, beginning on May 8, 2021, or the date of the enactment of this joint resolution, whichever occurs later.

The joint resolution was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ALASKA TOURISM RECOVERY ACT

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1318) to restrict the imposition by the Secretary of Homeland Security of fines, penalties, duties, or tariffs applicable only to coastwise voyages, or prohibit otherwise qualified non-United States citizens from serving as crew, on specified vessels transporting passengers between the State of Washington and the State of Alaska, to address a Canadian cruise ship ban and the extraordinary impacts of the COVID–19 pandemic on Alaskan communities, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 1318

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Alaska Tourism Recovery Act''.

SEC. 2. VOYAGE DEEMED TO BE FOREIGN.

(a) CRITERIA.—A roundtrip voyage transporting passengers between a port or place in the State of Alaska and a port or place in the State of Washington is deemed a foreign voyage for purposes of U.S. law, if the voyage—

(1) is made by a passenger vessel to which sections 3507 and 3508 of title 46, United States Code, apply; and

(2) which occurs during the period described in subsection (b).

(b) DURATION OF APPLICABILITY.—A voyage deemed to be a foreign voyage under subsection (a) is a voyage which begins not later than any date prior to February 28, 2022, on which the Government of Canada or its political subdivisions, or any port or province in Canada, prohibits a passenger vessel to which sections 3507 and 3508 of title 46, United States Code, apply from entering, berthing, or docking in Canadian waters of the Pacific Coast due to the COVID–19 pandemic.

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. DEFAZIO

Mr. DEFAZIO. Madam Speaker, I have an amendment at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Alaska Tourism Restoration Act''.

SEC. 2. VOYAGE DEEMED TO BE FOREIGN.

(a) DEFINITION OF COVERED CRUISE SHIP.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, the term ''covered cruise ship'' means a vessel included on the list under paragraph (2) that—

(A) has been issued, operates in accordance with, and retains a COVID–19 Conditional Sailing Certificate of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

(B) operates in accordance with any restrictions or guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention associated with such Certificate, including any such restrictions or guidance issued after the date of enactment of this Act.

(2) LIST.—The vessels listed under this paragraph are the following:

(A) Carnival Freedom (IMO number 9333149).
(B) Carnival Miracle (IMO number 9237357).
(C) Crystal Serenity (IMO number 9243667).
(D) Discovery Princess (IMO number 9837468).
(E) Emerald Princess (IMO number 9333151).
(F) Eurodam (IMO number 9378448).
(G) Golden Horizon (IMO number 9793545).
(H) Grand Princess (IMO number 9104005).
(I) Hanseatic Inspiration (IMO number 9817145).
(J) Koningsdam (IMO number 9692557).
(K) NG Quest (IMO number 9798985).
(L) NG Sea Bird (IMO number 8966444).
(M) NG Sea Lion (IMO number 8966456).
(N) NG Venture (IMO number 9799044).
(O) Nieuw Amsterdam (IMO number 9378450).
(P) Noordam (IMO number 9230115).
(Q) Zuiderdam (IMO number 9221279).
(R) Majestic Princess (IMO number 9614141).
(S) Ovation of the Seas (IMO number 9697753).
(T) Radiance of the Seas (IMO number 9195195).
(U) Serenade of the Seas (IMO number 9228344).
(V) Eclipse (IMO number 9404314).
(W) Millennium (IMO number 9189419).
(X) Solstice (IMO number 9362530).
(Y) Norwegian Bliss (IMO number 9751509).
(Z) Norwegian Encore (IMO number 9751511).
(AA) Norwegian Jewel (IMO number 9304045).
(BB) Norwegian Spirit (IMO number 9141065).
(CC) Norwegian Sun (IMO number 9218131).
(DD) Ocean Victory (IMO number 9868869).
(EE) Pacific Princess (IMO number 9187887).
(FF) Pacific World (IMO number 9000259).
(GG) Quantum of the Seas (IMO number 9549463).
(HH) Queen Elizabeth (IMO number 9477438).
(II) Disney Wonder (IMO number 9126819).
(JJ) Regatta (IMO number 9156474).
(KK) Roald Amundsen (IMO number 9813072).
(LL) Ruby Princess (IMO number 9378462).
(MM) Sapphire Princess (IMO number 9228186).
(NN) Scenic Eclipse (IMO number 9797371).
(OO) Seabourn Odyssey (IMO number 9417086).
(PP) Seabourn Venture 2 (IMO 9862023).
(QQ) Seven Seas Mariner (IMO number 9210139).
(RR) Silver Shadow (IMO number 9192167).
(SS) Silver Wind (IMO number 8903935).
(TT) Star Breeze (IMO number 8807997).
(UU) Sylvia Earle (IMO number 9872327).
(VV) Westerdam (IMO number 9226891).
(WW) L'Austral (IMO number 9502518).
(XX) Silver Muse (IMO number 9784350).
(YY) Viking Orion (IMO number 9796250).

(b) CRITERIA.—A roundtrip voyage of a covered cruise ship transporting passengers between a port or place in the State of Alaska and a port or place in the State of Washington shall be deemed to have made a stop in a port or place of Canada, and deemed a foreign voyage, for purposes of the law of the United States, if—

(1) during the voyage, the covered cruise ship sends an email containing the information described in subsection (c) to—

(A) the Canada Border Services Agency;

(B) the Commissioner of Customs and Border Protection; and

(C) each alien crewman on such voyage who is in possession of a valid, unexpired nonimmigrant visa issued pursuant to subparagraph (C) or (D) of section 101(a)(15) of

the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)); and

(2) the voyage begins not later than February 28, 2022.

(c) EMAIL.—An email described in subsection (b)(1) shall contain the names of each alien crewman described in subparagraph (C) of such subsection.

(d) EMPLOYMENT OF ALIEN CREWMEN.—On the date on which a covered cruise ship sends an email to the Canada Border Services Agency in accordance with subsection (b)(1), each alien crewman described in subparagraph (C) of such subsection shall be deemed to have departed the United States, entered Canada, and been readmitted to the United States for purposes of complying with, during the applicable voyage described in subsection (b), the 29-day authorized stay pursuant to their nonimmigrant visas issued pursuant to subparagraph (C) or (D) of section 101(a)(15) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)).

(e) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding subsection (b), a voyage described in such subsection shall not be deemed a foreign voyage for purposes of section 446 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1446) or any other provision of law relating to levying duties or taxes on goods, including consumables, purchased for use onboard the covered cruise ship.

(f) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall not apply to a roundtrip voyage during any period for which the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has issued an order under section 361 or 365 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 264 and 268) that requires covered cruise ships to suspend vessel operations.

(g) DURATION.—The authority provided under this section shall terminate on the earlier of—

(1) the date on which covered cruise ships are no longer prohibited by the Government of Canada, any political subdivision of Canada, or any port or province of Canada, from entering, berthing, or docking in Canadian waters of the Pacific Coast due to the COVID–19 pandemic; or

(2) March 31, 2022.

SEC. 3. MEDICAL AND SAFETY STANDARDS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 35 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"§ 3510. Additional medical and safety standards

''(a) AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Human Services and other appropriate Federal agencies, shall promulgate regulations to—

''(1) require that the owner of a vessel to which section 3507 applies install, and maintain in working order, automated external defibrillators on such vessel;

''(2) require that such defibrillators be placed throughout such vessel in clearly designated locations;

''(3) require that such defibrillators are available for passenger and crew access in the event of an emergency; and

''(4) require that automated external defibrillators, or adjacent equipment, allow passengers and crew to easily contact medical staff of the vessel.

''(b) DEFINITION OF OWNER.—In this section, the term 'owner' has the meaning given such term in section 3507.''.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter 35 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''Sec. 3510. Additional medical and safety standards.''.

Mr. DEFAZIO (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

RECOGNIZING PLEASANTDALE MIDDLE SCHOOL

(Mr. CASTEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CASTEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Pleasantdale Middle School in Burr Ridge, Illinois, and, specifically, Jennifer Lauermann's fifth grade science class.

Mrs. Lauermann is an educator, but more importantly, she is a rock star. Her students spent this semester studying rocks, interviewing geologists and other scientists across Illinois. They learned a lot, but something troubling emerged: Illinois does not have a State rock. Iowa has the geode, Wisconsin has red granite, but Illinois has got nothing.

So as good citizens do, the class held an election. Sandstone, limestone, and dolostone emerged from a heated primary, and 1,200 Illinoisans then voted in the general election, including me. I voted for limestone.

My candidate didn't win, but it was a free and fair election, and it is now my privilege to introduce the winner of the Pleasantdale Middle School 2021 State rock election.

Mr. Speaker, dolostone. I hope my colleagues in the Illinois delegation will join me in supporting the effort to make dolostone Illinois' State rock, but, more importantly, I couldn't be prouder to represent such great teachers and students committed to science and to democracy.

ISRAEL HAS A RIGHT TO DEFEND ITSELF

(Mrs. STEEL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. STEEL. Mr. Speaker, as I speak, Israel is under attack by the terrorist group Hamas with thousands of rockets launched at Israel since May 10.

Israel has a right to defend itself. The United States would never allow rockets to be launched by our enemies at civilians on our soil, and Israel cannot allow rockets to be launched at Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.

I was proud to join more than three-quarters of my fellow Members of Congress in April to support full funding for security assistance to Israel. As we said in that letter, Congress is committed to maintaining Israel's qualitative military edge and its ability to defend itself, by itself, against persistent threats.

Today, it is even more important to stand up and say: We stand side by side with our ally. I will continue to work to continue to help Israel defend itself from Hamas' threats and to cut off the support to Hamas.

STOP ASIAN HATE

(Mrs. LEE of Nevada asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. LEE of Nevada. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join my colleagues in bringing attention to the widespread violence against the Asian-American community. This pandemic has inflamed hatred and racism, and we must lend our voices in support of our Asian-American brothers and sisters.

In Georgia, just 2 months ago, a horrific attack targeted three Asian-owned spas, and eight lives were lost. They were working parents, grandparents, and spouses, and they left behind an unconscionable loss and emptiness in their communities.

We know that this attack is not isolated. Since the start of the pandemic, there have been more than 6,600 reported incidents of anti-Asian hate. Across this country, Asian Americans are living in fear for the safety of themselves, their friends, and their families.

On this floor this week, we passed two critical pieces of legislation to condemn the attack in Georgia and to ensure accountability for hate crimes against the Asian-American community.

We must continue to stand with the Asian-American community and put an end to this violence. My district, my home State of Nevada, and our Nation, welcome diversity, and acts of hatred and bigotry have no place here.

TOURISM IN ALASKA

(Mr. YOUNG asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. YOUNG. Mr. Speaker, I just passed a legislative bill, so I am a little bit excited.

I wanted to especially thank Chairman DEFAZIO, Leader HOYER, and Speaker PELOSI, Leader MCCARTHY, Ranking Member GRAVES, Chairman NEAL, Ranking Member BRADY, and the Biden administration and all the staff for recognizing the necessity of this legislation.

I especially also would like to thank my Senate colleagues, Senators MURKOWSKI, SULLIVAN, and CANTWELL, who have been partners in this effort.

Finally, I would like to thank my chief of staff, Kevin Swanson, for his hard work on this legislation.

We lost billions of dollars last year because of COVID in the tourist industry, and this bill we just passed by this House unanimously will give us an opportunity to recover not the money, but the ability to serve the people of

America and the tourist industry in southeast Alaska and the rest of the State of Alaska.

I am quite excited about this piece of legislation, and I do thank the House and the people who did not object to this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I sincerely thank everyone for being part of an effort to solve a problem for a State.

MICHAEL BROWN

(Ms. BUSH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. BUSH. Mr. Speaker, St. Louis and I rise today to wish a happy 25th birthday to Michael Brown, Jr.

The last birthday that Michael Brown celebrated was his 18th, a celebration that was supposed to mark the beginning of his journey to adulthood filled with years of joy making music, caring for animals, and spending time with those he loved. But just 81 days after his 18th birthday, he was shot and killed by a St. Louis police officer.

While I say that St. Louis and I rise today, we have never taken a seat, we have never rested, and we have never stopped striving for a just world, a world where Michael would have been celebrating his birthday today.

To Michael Brown, Jr.: We love you, we miss you, we will never forget you, and in your honor, we bring our struggle for justice from the front lines of Ferguson, which is why I am standing here to the Halls of Congress.

Stand up, don't stand down.

We do this for Mike Brown.

Happy birthday.

FAREWELL TO JACK WALECKI

(Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my sincere gratitude to one of the most valued and dedicated members of my team, Jack Walecki.

After over 4 years of service to our country and the people of Louisiana's Fourth Congressional District, Jack is going to be leaving our D.C. office to pursue a law degree at Pepperdine University.

For the past 2½ years, and through some of the most historically significant events in recent memory, I have relied upon Jack's steady counsel as my lead staffer for judiciary issues. His level head and steadfast commitment to his work have been instrumental in helping to right the ship in truly tumultuous times.

More importantly, Jack's easy-going, quintessentially California attitude will leave a lasting mark on our team. We will sorely miss his obscure cultural references and random tidbits of knowledge that would make a trivia master's head spin.

We are all saddened to see Jack leave, but we are also delighted to see him take this next step in his life.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Jack for all his work and dedication. God has great plans for your life. Our family and staff wish him all the best.

Onward, my friend.

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SUPPORT OUR ALLY ISRAEL

(Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in unequivocal support of our ally Israel.

As a sovereign state, Israel has every right and a duty to protect its people from the unprovoked attacks of the Iranian-backed terrorist group Hamas.

It is painful to watch the parents and their terrified children fleeing to bomb shelters as rockets rain down indiscriminately on civilian neighborhoods. Thankfully, our Israeli friends are protected by the Iron Dome, a joint U.S.-Israeli defense initiative that has saved countless lives.

It is shameful that some within our Congress choose to condemn our longtime ally for simply defending themselves. No doubt, if a similar attack took place in the U.S., these same Members would expect our military to protect their homes and communities.

Sadly, we shouldn't be surprised when terrorist groups like Hamas feel emboldened to attack our allies when the Biden administration's policies signal weakness to our adversaries.

I encourage my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to speak up, with one voice, in support of Israel, one of our great allies.

BORDER CRISIS HAS NO END IN SIGHT

(Mr. NEHLS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. NEHLS. Mr. Speaker, it has been 57 days since Vice President KAMALA HARRIS was named the point person on the border. She still has not visited.

The entire Biden administration continues to distract from, deny, and downplay this public health, humanitarian, and national security crisis.

Apprehensions in the month of April are up more than 100,000, higher than they were in January of this year. This has been ongoing for months, and the administration still has no plan.

The Biden border crisis is costing American lives and billions in taxpayer dollars and is once again placing the responsibility of the Federal Government on individual States.

When is enough enough? When will the Biden administration stop allowing criminal cartels to reap billions in profits from their inaction? When will the Biden administration stop failing to fulfill their constitutional mandate to keep the American people safe? It is anyone's best guess.

But with Democrats controlling the House, the Senate, and the White House, the Biden border crisis has no end in sight.

EXTENDING THANKS TO EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND TEACHERS

(Mr. CAWTHORN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CAWTHORN. Mr. Speaker, the problems of today will rest squarely on the shoulders of America's children. There is nothing more foundational to the longevity of this Republic than investing in the next generation.

During this COVID pandemic, educating our students and preparing them to face the battles and turmoil of the future has never been harder. If we have learned one thing through this pandemic, it is that in-person teaching is foundational to future success.

I want to extend the thanks of a grateful district to the teachers of Veritas Christian Academy, headmaster Dr. Robert M. Woods, and other institutions who remained open throughout this pandemic and placed the needs of our schoolchildren first.

Your valiant efforts are seen. Your dedication to America's youth in the face of great challenges is recognized. And your great determination to safeguard our future leaders is of high commendation.

Thank you for all that you do, and I look forward to being back in the district to see you all soon.

CHARTING ECONOMIC CHANGES DUE TO BIDEN POLICY

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, this chart by the Republican Study Committee shows the difference not just a year makes but what an attitude to governing makes toward making a living and managing families' needs, even enjoying what you have earned and how you see fit to spend it.

Energy independence: Stopping production and oil and gas infrastructure in the U.S. gives higher prices, which are eclipsing $4 now even in my home State of California.

Lumber: Though our California and Western forests burn millions of acres each year, somehow we have a lack of harvest and lumber shortages, thanks to strange environmental thinking prohibiting the forest harvest and management we need to prevent fires and keep the lumberyards full. I know it is not the logger or the log truck driver making the killing here in the quadruple pricing per board-foot.

Home costs: They ride right up there with lumber as well, and all the other inputs, up 20 percent.

Coffee: Up 50 percent. Coffee has to come from somewhere.

Wheat: Up big. Bread and cereal won't be any cheaper. Will the farmer see this windfall? Not likely.

Corn: The same thing. Will the farmer do any better with the much higher cost of corn? No.

Copper: Used in so many of our mechanical and electrical devices, it is going up, making it harder to wire our homes.

The bottom line is: Everything you need is much more expensive, thanks to Biden policy.

SENATE MUST STOP INHUMANITY OF POLICE BRUTALITY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2021, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GREEN) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, and still I rise, in the spirit of Shirley Chisholm. I rise unbought and unbossed, a liberated Democrat.

And I rise today, Mr. Speaker, with a great deal of pain in my heart. I am saddened. And I am, quite frankly, very, very disgusted and disappointed.

I saw a news story this morning that brought me to tears. I could not believe what I saw and I heard. I would like to share now some passages from a story in The New York Times that relate to what I saw this morning, what I heard this morning. I would ask that persons who are very sensitive to things involving pain and suffering be mindful of what I am about to do and might govern themselves appropriately because this is very painful to hear and very sad to understand that it actually occurred.

This story is styled ''Footage Shows Louisiana Troopers Punching and Dragging Man Who Died.''

I was born in Louisiana, in New Orleans. I have friends there. I have some sense of what the State is like, but even this exceeds some of what I know can happen in Louisiana.

This article goes on to read: ''Relatives of Ronald Greene,'' no relationship as far as I know, ''were initially told that he had died from injuries he sustained in a crash after he failed to stop for a traffic violation outside Monroe, Louisiana, in May 2019, according to a lawyer for the family.''

May 2019. You can do the math. That was some time ago. Some of us would say it was a long time ago.

''Body-camera footage obtained and published by the Associated Press on Wednesday showed Mr. Greene, 49, screaming, 'I'm sorry,' and 'I'm scared,' after troopers opened the door to his car and jolted him with a stun gun after a high-speed chase.''

I recall instructions from my mother. Her instructions when I was a young child were to never run from the police. Never run from the police. She was emphatic about it, and she explained why. Never run from the police, she explained to me, her young son, because the police will catch you and when they do, they are going to whip you. She explained to me that the police are of the opinion that if you run, a part of your punishment is a good whipping. This is what my mother explained to me as a child. So, we find today Mr. Greene saying, ''I'm sorry,'' and, ''I'm scared.''

''I'm scared,' Mr. Greene screamed, according to the video.'' He went on to say, ''I'm your brother. I'm scared,'' pleading, if you will. The ''pleading'' is what I am adding. That is not in the story, but pleading.

''According to the AP, which said it had obtained 46 minutes of video footage from the encounter, one trooper wrestled Mr. Greene to the ground, put him in a choke hold,'' some things bear repeating, ''put him in a choke hold and punched him in the face. Another trooper briefly dragged him by his ankle shackles as he lay on the ground, according to the footage.''

We know about choke holds. We know about knees on necks. We know that people are not always treated with respect.

Mind you, Mr. Greene, so far, has not exhibited a weapon. Yes, he was running, in the sense that he was driving away from the police. Yes, he should have stopped by standards that we like to employ. But does running from the police, driving your car away from the police, does this entitle the police to kick, tase multiple times, and drag a person?

''Mr. Greene was jolted again with the stun gun while he was on the ground and handcuffed.'' On the ground, handcuffed, and jolted again with a stun gun. This is what the footage shows, according to this news article.

''The AP reported that the troopers, who were White,'' again, some things bear repeating, ''AP reported that the troopers, who were White, left Mr. Greene, who was Black, facedown and moaning for more than 9 minutes, as they wiped blood from their hands and face.''

Mr. Greene is facedown, pleading, 9 minutes. The officers are wiping blood from their hands and face.

''I hope this guy ain't got AIDS,' one of the troopers said on the video, adding an expletive.''

He was concerned for himself at a time when a man is bleeding and in need of attention, medical attention, I might add. Officers have a duty to provide medical attention. When we are in combat with enemies, enemies who would destroy us, destroy our country, if we catch an enemy and that enemy is hurt, in need of medical attention, we provide aid and comfort.

Mr. Greene was not an enemy to the United States of America. He wasn't an enemy of this country. Mr. Greene wasn't trying to kill these officers.

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Yes, he resisted. But does resistance afford or grant the officers the legal right to abuse him to the extent that he finds himself on the ground bleeding; they find themselves wiping blood from their hands and their face, and then concluding, ''I hope this guy ain't got AIDS''?

There are people who don't want to hear the things that I have to say about invidious discrimination. They don't want to hear it because they don't want to acknowledge that it exists. Not only does it exist, it exists more than we know.

But for the body cameras, this wouldn't be in The New York Times. It is in The New York Times because there is now evidence, clear and convincing evidence, that it actually occurred. But there are people who don't want to hear a Member come to the floor of the House of Representatives and call these things to the attention of the world.

We call them to the attention of the world, because the world needs to know we have been right for years upon years, decades on decades, in making known these issues that have been ignored.

Now the truth is being revealed. George Floyd, the truth was revealed. Ronald Greene, the truth has been revealed.

Let's go on. This story indicates that: ''The Louisiana State Police said on Wednesday''—mind you, this is Wednesday in May of 2019—''The Louisiana State Police said on Wednesday that the investigation into Mr. Greene's death 'remains under review by Federal and State authorities.'''

My dear friends, my dear brothers, and my dear sisters, if an animal—let's say a dog—if they had treated a dog the way they treated Mr. Greene, a human being, the investigation would be over, the punishment would have been assessed, and I would dare say that they would have received punishment much more severe than what I am about to read to you.

The article states: ''One of the troopers, who was involved in the encounter . . . was temporarily suspended and is back on the force.''

Some things bear repeating.

''One of the troopers who was involved in the encounter . . . was temporarily suspended and is back on the force.'' This is what the State police said.

I am not sure that the humane society would have allowed this to go without some additional repercussions, lawful repercussions, I might add, if an animal, a dog, were treated the way Mr. Greene was treated.

Remember, Mr. Greene was pleading: ''I'm your brother. I'm scared.'' Begging, ''I'm sorry,'' he said.

Dear friends, Mr. Greene's death was ruled accidental and was attributed to cardiac arrest. How can we allow this to stand?

The family commissioned an independent autopsy that found severe injuries to Mr. Greene's head and skull and several wounds to his face. But the

officers concluded his death was accidental. This is my commentary now. His death was accidental and was attributed to cardiac arrest.

In the world that I live in, this is called a coverup. In the world that I live in, this video is the evidence needed, coupled with the time that has elapsed, to substantiate the coverup.

There may be more evidence. There may be more evidence that would be of benefit. But my dear friends, for a human being to be treated as Mr. Greene was treated and then have one person temporarily suspended—there may be other things that have occurred. This is a news story. All of the facts may not be in. One person suspended, and it reported that his death was ruled accidental, attributed to cardiac arrest.

We must pass the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act. What more do we need? We have George Floyd, his death. We have now Mr. Greene. These incidents—as they are called by people who live in polite society—these incidents continue to occur. What more do we need to pass legislation in the Senate of the United States of America, where we have people who have taken an oath to protect? What do we need to pass the legislation that will ban chokeholds? This man was choked.

What do we need to pass legislation so that lawsuits can continue, so that they won't be dismissed on grounds that are archaic? It may not be insane, but it is an inanity. What do we need to end this inanity? What is going on in the Senate, the Senate of the United States of America, land of ''liberty and justice''—I say the Pledge of Allegiance—''for all.'' I say the Pledge of Allegiance. I love my country, but I don't love what is happening in the United States Senate.

It is time for this piece of legislation to receive its day. It ought to be voted on, immediately, if not sooner. What is going on in the United States Senate? How can we tolerate this level of inhumanity? What is going on in the United States Senate?

At some point, on the infinite continuum that we call time, we are all going to have to account for our time. And on that day of judgment, it won't be based upon how many millionaires did you try to help because you were a Member of Congress and you had the opportunity to pass laws to benefit millionaires and billionaires. That won't be what your judgment is based on. It won't be based on how many full bellies did you try to feed. At some point, we are going to have to account for our actions. At some point, judgment is going to be how did you treat the least, the last, and the lost among us.

Judgment is not going to be how did you treat the well-off, the well-heeled, and the well-to-do. They always fare well. The judgment is going to be how did you treat the Greene's of the world, how did you treat the Floyds of the world.

Senators, I beg you, do not allow rules that benefit the lawlessness that is taking place to prevent you from doing the righteous thing. You have an opportunity to move on this legislation. I beg that you would do so.

I am but one person. I am sure that there are others who would agree with some of what I have said. But I come to the floor to say this, because I want my record to show that when I had a chance to stand up against injustice, I did so.

I am saddened by what happened to Mr. Greene, to Mr. Floyd, to Ms. Breonna Taylor, and to many others whose names that you don't know: Joe Campos Torres, thrown in a bayou in Houston, Texas, handcuffed; Billy Keith Joyvies; Randall Alan Webster, chased down the Freeway, shot; Ida Lee Delaney, shot out on the freeway in Houston. There are many names that you don't know. But if you do the research, you will find that in each one of those cases, there were concerns related to the way the police handled them.

So I have done what I can do today. But if God gives me the strength, I will be back again and again and again and again. I want my record to show I gave it my best, I tried, and I will continue to try.

At this time, I have a colleague who desires time. I am going to yield to him as much time as he may consume of the time that I have left.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. RASKIN).

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. Speaker, Mr. GREEN is not just a passionate representative of the people of the Ninth District of Texas, he speaks for millions and millions of people across the country. It has been very moving to hear him talk about the problem of police brutality and violence, which threatens our social contract.

The whole purpose of the social contract is that we will be safer inside of it than we will be outside of it. And, yet, the social contract is not working for a lot of people in a lot of different parts of the country.

So I thank him for his passionate leadership on behalf of the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act and for having us address this central problem.

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I appreciate your yielding to me. I wanted to spend a few minutes talking about what is going on in the Middle East. It has been a brutal week for Israeli and Palestinian civilians, as hundreds have been killed in the savage violence that is engulfing the Middle East now.

This week I had the opportunity to meet on Zoom with young Palestinians and Israelis who are part of a group called New Story Leadership, which is a peace-building group that, since 2009, has brought Israeli and Palestinian interns to come work on Capitol Hill.

I have had these interns work for me for, I think, 5 or 6 years, really ever since I arrived in the House of Representatives. They come to work, and they come to interact with each other. They come to learn about democracy and human rights from America, a country that was conceived with the dream of human rights and equality for everybody. Although that was not remotely the reality for a lot of people, but it has been the struggle for human rights and for equality that has defined the American ethos and the American spirit.

So I asked these young Israeli and Palestinian former interns for me and for other Members of Congress, as part of the New Story Leadership program, to write to me about what is going on in their lives. Because too often, of course, our sense of what is happening in a foreign land is filtered through media, and it is filtered through different kinds of party propaganda. I wanted to hear directly from them. I thought I would share with you some of the responses I got. I want to enter them into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

Here is one from a Jewish Israeli citizen named Meshi: My name is Meshi. I am an Israeli American, currently living in Tel Aviv. I was born and raised in northern Israel, where my early childhood was spent under rocket fire from Hezbollah. Today, in my late 20s, I am under rocket fire from Hamas. In the last week or so, I have taken shelter in my building's old stairway. I have run for cover in the street. I saw the lynching of an Arab citizen by a Jewish mob on live TV. And I worried for my brother-in-law, who had to leave my sister and their newborn son at home after he was called into reserve duty.

Here's one from a Jewish Israeli citizen named Eran: My name is Eran Nissan. I was an intern in Congressman RASKIN's office in 2019. I became a peace activist because of my military service, where I served as a combat soldier in the Israeli Special Forces. For 4 years, I was sent to countless missions to all of Israel's borders: Lebanon, Syria, but mainly the West Bank and Gaza Strip. I experienced combat. I lost friends and I lost classmates. These past 2 weeks have been the scariest and most depressing time of my entire life. I spent the last week monitoring right-wing groups on social media, where terrorist organizations planned and organized lynchings and riots throughout Israel. I did this as part of my digital activism, working with former intelligence officers turned progressive political activists. My neighborhood in Jaffa used to be a beacon of coexistence and cooperation between Jews and Arabs. Now it is a war zone. The sounds of exploding stun grenades from the nearby riots are only disturbed by the sirens sending everyone into the shelters and stairways.

This is from Marwa, who is a Palestinian on the West Bank: My name is Marwa Odeh. I am a Palestinian American from Hewara in Area C of the West Bank. I was an intern in Congressman

RASKIN's office in 2018. This year, a Muslim high holy day became a day of chaos and despair for my family. On the day of Eid, May 13, my cousin Yehya, who I used to play soccer with in my grandparents' backyard, was shot in the eye with a rubber bullet fired by an Israeli soldier. The rubber bullet tore open his left eyeball, leaving Yehya blind in one eye. After that military action, my mother and my baby sister Jena traveled to the hospital and were caught in a barrage of tear gas and rubber bullets. Jena, who is just 5 years old, explained to me the horror and fear that she went through: ''I was choking and my eyes were burning. We were just going to see Yehya. We did nothing,'' she told me in a FaceTime call that night.

Here's one from Lujayn, a Palestinian who lives in East Jerusalem: My name is Lujayn. I am a Palestinian living in East Jerusalem, in a small village called Beit Hanina, which is surrounded by settlements. One of the most basic human rights is to feel safe and secure, but my family and I cannot feel safe in East Jerusalem. We can't feel safe because settlers under the protection of Israeli soldiers are chanting ''Death to Arabs'' and attacking Palestinians in my neighborhood. I can't feel safe because an Israeli soldier threw a stun grenade at my father as we walked out of Al-Aqsa Mosque during Ramadan. I can't feel safe walking to the market and even sitting in my own house. During the past few days, I have been telling my sisters and parents to turn off the lights at home so that no one will think we are there. When I traveled to my university a few days ago to get my diploma, I felt like a walking target because I was constantly afraid I would be attacked just because I am a Palestinian.

Here's one from Danni, a Jewish Israeli: My name is Danni, and I am a Jewish Israeli. I am engaged to an Israeli combat soldier, and we live in Haifa, which is known as the city of coexistence. In Haifa, I study and work with Arabs and Jews alike. Last week, our city was hit by a wave of violence by citizens against citizens. Violent extremists have roamed the streets, terrorizing people and vandalizing people. Dear American people, I know that you understand how dangerous it is to stay silent when you see discrimination, oppression, and violence. It is simply unsustainable. We need to move past the status quo so that I can marry my fiance instead of him going to war, only to return to a broken city.

Here's one from Tasnim, who lives in the Gaza: My name is Tasnim, and I am a Palestinian from Gaza. My family and I left Gaza during the 2008 war. Unfortunately, when we moved, my sister was separated from her children and they stayed in Gaza. Today, my two nieces, Iama and Heba, who are young and dream of traveling the world, still live there in Gaza. Since the airstrikes have started, we have been calling them every single day to check to see if they are still alive. We hear of constant attacks where kids are being buried under the rubble of their own houses, along with their dreams. We are constantly afraid that the next time we call them, we will not be able to reach them. The fear and stress that come with trying to connect with my family in Gaza is unimaginable.

Mr. Speaker, forgive me, how much time do I have remaining?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman has 28 minutes remaining.

Mr. RASKIN. This is from Baha, a Palestinian from the West Bank: My name is Baja Ebdeir, and I am from the occupied village of Beit Nattiff. Now I live in Beit Jala. This past Ramadan, Israel refused to issue permits for Palestinians to observe prayers at Al-Aqsa Mosque. However, my father was one of the few luckiest to be issued a permit for a medical appointment he had at the hospital in East Jerusalem. It was not the medical appointment itself that got my father all excited and happy, but the fact that he could use it to observe the holiest night of Ramadan, Laylit Al-Qadr, the night of decree, at Al-Aqsa Mosque, where our destiny is determined by God for the whole year. Before he left, my father told us, ''After all, I have a permit, what could happen?''

Actually, a lot happened in the two days my father spent at Al-Aqsa. As the evening went by, an army of Israeli soldiers began to increase in number. As soon as the Imam uttered ''Allah Akbar,'' God is the greatest, to start off the holiest night prayer, Israeli soldiers threw gas canisters at worshipers. As a result of the excessive amount of gas my father inhaled, his severe coughing continues until today and his eyes are as red as blood.

Usually my father never shares his fears with me, but this time he opened up and I listened with awe. With every cough, my father vividly remembers Al-Aqsa Mosque as a war zone where Israeli soldiers shot rubber bullets and threw gas canisters at Palestinians. Hundreds were injured and many of the elderly lost their lives on the holiest night.

Here is one from Doron, a Jewish Israeli citizen: My name is Doron, and I am an Israeli who has lived in Jerusalem for the last decade. Since 2009, I have participated in peaceful protests in the neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah every week. I was touched to see how during the recent few months, these protests have gained support and momentum in Israel, Palestine, and internationally. Suddenly, activists in the region and around the world demanded justice for the residents of Sheikh Jarrah, who have been evicted from their homes. Unfortunately, everything was disrupted by the recent escalation, which was orchestrated to undermine the local movement in Jerusalem before it was able to achieve any gains. Jerusalem is the home of Israelis and Palestinians, and it should be equal, free, and safe for all its inhabitants. Residents of Sheikh Jarrah should not be afraid to be evicted from their homes at any moment.

Here is one from Diala, a Palestinian citizen of Israel: My name is Diala, and I am a Palestinian citizen of Israel from Nazareth. During the past few weeks, I have protested alongside many Palestinian women against evictions in the neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah in Jerusalem. I am a feminist and I strongly believe that the struggle for gender equality is deeply connected to this struggle. As the police cracked down on us, a group of peaceful protestors consisting primarily of women, an Israeli police officer kicked me and pushed me to the ground. As I lay on the ground, he continued to kick me, aiming at my legs and ribs. Throughout my life, I have been told repeatedly that I have full and equal rights as a citizen of Israel. However, this week, I have witnessed the oppressive brutality at play against me and my people.

Mr. Speaker, we owe these young people a different future. In Israel and in the West Bank and in Gaza, we owe them a future of peace and justice and prosperity, where rockets are not raining down on the people of Israel or the people in the West Bank or the people in Gaza. We owe them a future where every young person can cultivate his or her own creative talents and dreams for the future. We owe them a future of mutual security for all sides and human rights for all people.

Everyone knows that the first casualty of war is the truth. We want to make sure that the stories that people are living on the ground are not consumed in any kind of party propaganda.

I urge my colleagues to listen to the voices of young Israelis and young Palestinians suffering through this brutal cycle of violence and ethnic conflict and systemic injustice. We owe it to them to call openly and loudly on Prime Minister Netanyahu and on Hamas to accept an immediate ceasefire and an end to all violence against civilians. This is the precondition for moving forward to real peace and respect for the human rights of all.

I applaud President Biden and his administration's commitment to ending this violence. I hope that America will, again, with the new administration, be able to resume a forward-looking and constructive role in addressing all of the problems that beset the people in Israel and the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend from Texas for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, this week I met on Zoom with young Israelis and Palestinians who are part of New Story Leadership, a peacebuilding group that, since 2009, has brought dozens of Palestinian and Israeli youth to work as summer interns on Capitol Hill and to share their stories with Members of Congress. Here are a few of the stories my former interns and other participants sent me about the horrific events of the last few weeks:

MESHI—JEWISH ISRAELI

My name is Meshi, I'm an Israeli American, currently living in Tel-Aviv. I was born and raised in northern Israel where my early childhood was spent under rocket fire from Hezbollah, and today, in my late twenties, I'm under rocket fire from Hamas. In the last week or so I've taken shelter in my building's old stairway, run for cover in the street, saw the lynching of an Arab citizen by a Jewish mob on live TV, and worried for my brother-in-law that had to leave my sister and their newborn son at home after he was called into reserve duty.

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MOE—PALESTINIAN FROM THE WEST BANK

My name is Moe and I am a Palestinian from the West Bank, I interned with Congressman Jamie Raskin in 2019.

Seven months ago I got married. This year, my wife and I celebrated our first Ramadan together. We were so excited to celebrate it together with both our families, but her family was unable to travel to see us, because all the roads had been closed and settlers have been patrolling the streets between the cities ready to attack Palestinian travelers. We can't see our family and we can't travel anywhere.

I have heard about the danger that awaits us if we travel outside of our village and I am terrified. I am worried for the safety of my three brothers and father, who have jobs that require them to travel to Israel. Now, they are stuck at home, unable to travel because they have been warned that if they try to cross the border between the West Bank and Israel, their lives would be in danger.

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Mr. Speaker, everyone knows that the first casualty of war is the truth. The facts of people's lives are consumed in propaganda. I urge my colleagues to listen to the voices of young Israelis and Palestinians suffering through this brutal violence, ethnic conflict and systemic injustice. We owe it to them to call openly and loudly on Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and on Hamas to accept an immediate ceasefire and an end to all violence. This

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Mr. GREEN of Texas. I thank the gentleman for his sage recitation. I did listen, and I am grateful that the gentleman has seen the need to be a friend to persons who are clearly in harm's way.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

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SUPPORTING ISRAEL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2021, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I was speaking with my friend, Congressman GREEN. And he is my friend. We have differences on issues, but he is a brother, and, anyway, it is nice to have friends.

I appreciated my colleague, Mr. RASKIN, pointing to the violence in the Middle East. That is a tremendous problem. I am going through a new book right now by Os Guinness, ''Magna Carta of Humanity,'' and one of the points he makes early on in the book is that Christians should take note when Jews are under attack. When Israel is under attack, Christians are going to be next. And Israel should take note that when Christians are under attack, Israel is going to be next.

Certainly, in my lifetime, what I have seen when the United States blesses, does things helpful to Israel, we seem to be blessed, and when we betray our ally Israel, we don't seem to be blessed. I have looked for a verse like that, that says those who betray Israel will be blessed, and I haven't found that one in the Bible.

The Bible—those of us that have looked into the history of the House of Representatives and the Senate—is the most quoted book in the history of Congress in session on the RECORD. So it is worth looking to things like that.

When I said that running for Congress years ago was a calling, a reporter asked if I heard voices, I told the reporter: ''I wish I heard voices.'' Life would be so much easier if I heard an audible voice telling me what to do. But since I don't hear voices, under my religious beliefs, I seek wisdom by reading the Bible, by praying, and by seeking wise counsel. That is what some of the leaders of Israel obviously have been doing, but they get put into a box.

Four thousand rockets launched into Israel from the Gaza Strip, and why are there people in the Gaza Strip who would do such a thing? It is because Israel, in the hopes of peace, made the unilateral gesture of giving the Gaza Strip, a place where there were so many Jewish Israelis living there—they had wonderful homes, many had greenhouses. They could live there. They could provide for their food there.

Thinking a unilateral gesture would be recognized as an ultimate effort at true peace, Israel handed over the Gaza Strip to Palestinians, and that is not necessarily the Palestinian homeland. But they handed it over, and it wasn't too long before most of the greenhouses were destroyed and tunnels were found. I think 9 miles of tunnels have recently been destroyed that were being used to smuggle things into Israel itself.

That unilateral effort for peace by Israel has ended up being one of the worst nightmares for Israel.

Most days, as I understand it, the rockets are launched. They never know when they are coming. Children live in fear every single day, not knowing if a rocket is going to come their way and kill them. Parents have to have a safe room where, when they hear the siren signaling that bombs are coming, they have to grab their kids and run to the safe room.

Some years back, when I was in Israel and was having a conversation with a mom who lived in Israel, and they had had many rockets come their way, the siren went off. She was in the car. There was no safe room to run to. So her tiny boy—I think he was 5 or 6—she just leaned over and covered him with her body in case the car was hit. It wasn't hit.

When the rocket attack was over, her son was really upset and said: ''Mama, please don't ever do that again. If you are going to die from a rocket attack, I want to die with you.'' That is something the Israelis live with every day.

Rockets are far more sophisticated now than they were when the rocket attacks first started. But as I have pointed out to Prime Minister Netanyahu before, there has never been a time when Israel gave away land trying to buy peace that that land was not used as a staging area from which to attack Israel. That is the way they are rewarded every time they give away land that is under their control.

In the Sinai attacks, they are not launching with rockets from there, but President el-Sisi told me that there were probably more guns per person in the Sinai when he took over as President than any other place he was aware of. There were so many weapons. Once Israel turned that over, it just became a place where there were lots of weapons. There were tunnels into Israel. So, of course, when there are tunnels that allow people to come into Israel with weapons, with ways to kill Israelis, then the Israelis have to use what is known as self-defense.

As far as our history, I read last year that one of the basic goals of BLM was to destroy Western-Style families. And I shrugged to myself, Western-Style families? Those aren't Western-Style families. That came from Moses. Moses said it came from God.

It wasn't Western civilization-style families. It was what Moses said when he said a man shall leave his father and mother, and a woman will leave her home, and the two will become one. Then when Jesus was asked about marriage and divorce, he quoted Moses verbatim, a man shall leave his father and mother, the woman will leave her home, the two will become one flesh. Then Jesus added a line that Moses had not used, and that is when Jesus said, and what God has joined together, let no one separate or put asunder. Later, the Apostle Paul quoted Moses and Jesus.

So knowing all that, when I hear BLM wants to destroy Western-Style families, they are not Western style. They are Mosaic. They are from Moses, as confirmed by Jesus. This is the best building block for a society, for a civilization.

Naturally, if anyone is going to take us into a totalitarian government, an Orwellian government where—we don't say Big Brother anymore. Orwell called it Big Brother, I will say that. But now, under the current rules of the House, we would say big sibling, big sibling totalitarian government with a ministry of truth that every day rewrites history to make the government look better.

Then, of course, they had the Ministry of Love, so that if you say anything that is different from what the Ministry of Truth said you had to say, then you are picked up by the Ministry of Love and tortured for hours, days, weeks, months, or years until you disclaim what you said about the Ministry of Truth's inaccuracy.

Those are the kinds of things that Orwell wrote about in the late 1940s. He had been through cancer treatment, so some think that is what gave him inspiration for the kind of torture that the Ministry of Love was putting people through. But he went up, as I recall, to Scotland and wrote from a friend's home there the book 1984. As I have said before, the only thing he appears to have gotten wrong was the year; it wasn't 1984. But we are seeing these tactics.

We even have people proposing here at the Capitol that we should have a ministry that specifies exactly what truth is, and then anybody that says anything different than truth that the ministry here or the Federal agency here puts out, they should be able to be arrested for a crime. And I am like, wow, that is right out of Orwell.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Utah (Mr. OWENS). I love BURGESS OWENS. I am thrilled that he is a Member of Congress, and every day I serve with him, I am more grateful he is here.

HONORING ROGER MORGAN

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I honor a great man, public servant, and Vista Heights Middle School's head custodian, Roger Morgan, from Saratoga Springs, Utah.

When COVID–19 disrupted normalcy last year, Roger did what he always does: He anticipated the needs of others and sprang into action.

He installed plexiglass and hand-sanitizing stations. He stayed late each night to disinfect the entire school. During the summer, he cleaned out the air vents to increase filtration.

He was proactive and diligent in filling PPE from district, State, and school funds. As shipments arrived, he organized and distributed the supplies.

When the State of Utah requested a rapid testing site at Vista Heights, Roger worked overtime to set it up and cleaned the units every day to help facilitate the accessibility of this testing option.

The praise for Roger is overwhelming. He is a team player, and he represents the Fourth District's spirit of service and compassion.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Roger, District Four's first hometown hero.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, as I have told my friend—he wears that big shiny Super Bowl ring; he hasn't let me wear it yet—any time he comes to the floor, I will always yield to him. I appreciate anything he has to say.

Having talked with Prime Minister Netanyahu on multiple occasions, I have very high regard for him. He is in such a difficult situation, and I don't think there is anybody who characterizes the situations that arise in Israel better than my friend—hopefully, it won't hurt her for me to say she is a friend—but Caroline Glick, just a wonderful perspective on the things in Israel.

I know they were going through a tough time as far as organizing government. I hope it works out. But Israel needs a strong leader, in my humble opinion, like Prime Minister Netanyahu because they are under attack. Every time Israel has tried to placate people that hate them, it hasn't worked out well.

In the Gaza Strip, it is controlled by Hamas. I bet there is an excellent chance that money that the United States has sent to Iran, and we know money that the U.S. has sent to the Palestinians, ends up funding schools that teach hate for Jews, to name holidays and streets for people that have effectively blown up innocent Israelis.

But it is scary here in the United States to hear more and more anti-Jewish, anti-Israel rhetoric. That does not bode well for the future of the United States.

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John Adams had some great writings on importance of the Jewish people, and the importance of their existence to civilization. And there is a good chance if you see people that think the answer to their problems is blowing up innocent people that they hate, they are badly mistaken.

And so, coming back around to January 6, anybody that engaged in violence here on January 6 should be punished, and any such violence should not be minimized. If I were still a felony judge and people that had engaged in violence on January 6 here came before me, I would have no problem sentencing them. We can't have that kind of conduct.

And as I and so many of my friends have said repeatedly, the most effective protest is peaceful protest—learning from the incredible Christian man, a Christian minister named Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Weather Underground, Bill Ayers' friends, they tried violence. It didn't work. They didn't accomplish anything. Of course, when they started moving into universities and getting tenure and teaching children to love socialism, they became much more effective than those days when they were blowing things up trying to kill people.

But there is so much more to be helped by peaceful protest. Make your voices heard. And just as the President said on January 6, it needs to be peaceful, but make your voices heard.

I would love it if our friends across the aisle had been as condemning of people in Antifa or BLM that engaged in violence, or people that chased my wife and I down the street after the President's speech at the White House last year. I wish the people on the other side of the aisle would condemn those things as well. Some of us condemn violence on both sides, no matter who it is supporting. It is wrong, and should be. But it turns out it wasn't all violence here at the Capitol.

This is an article by Julie Kelly. She has probably done greater research and reporting about January 6 than anybody that I have seen. This article from May 16 says, ''Video shows U.S. Capitol Police gave protestors okay to enter.''

Now, we know that there was some violence here at the Capitol; there was. Of course, it was a Capitol Police that shot Ashley Babbitt, killed her, I think a Navy veteran—but a military veteran; she was unarmed. But we also know that after hearing they were armed, that these people came ready to shoot Members of Congress, that at least for weeks, there was no arrest, no charges of anybody in the Capitol for having a firearm.

Some apparently used a flag, a couple other things, in an aggressive manner. And if they assaulted someone with those, they should be severely punished. But it wasn't an ''armed,'' as we think of now. Maybe if you were back in the 1500s, you would say they were armed if they had a little battalion like one 18-year old had that stayed in jail for weeks and weeks and weeks in solitary confinement, 23 hours a day, while people that have burned and looted and killed in other cities, part of Antifa and those protests, even the Vice President back then was trying to raise bail money for them to help get them out. Not so. No help for people that were jailed from the January 6 incident.

And as I understand, there have been over 450 arrested, and many of those, it has been reported, we had many Federal agents show up. A couple from Alaska had their homes ransacked before the Federal agents finally accepted the fact that the woman was not the woman they had a picture of, who had stolen Speaker PELOSI's laptop.

You would think as sophisticated as law enforcement is now, that our Federal agents, FBI would have been sophisticated enough to know whether somebody in the picture was the person whose house they were ransacking. But then again, FBI, it is the only law enforcement entity I am aware of that doesn't like to have any video of statements made by potential defendants. They prefer to write their own version of what the defendant or target says so they are not contradicted by having audio or videotape somewhere.

But in any event, Julie Kelly's article says, ''newly obtained video shows United States Capitol police officers speaking with several January 6 protestors, including Jacob Chansley, the so-called Q Shaman, inside the Capitol that afternoon.''

One officer identified in the video and confirmed by charging documents as Officer Keith Robishaw, appears to tell Chansley's group that they won't stop them from entering the building: ''We are not against, you need to show us . . . no attacking, no assault, remain calm, Robishaw warns.'' And Chansley and other protestors instructed the crowd to act peaceful. ''This has to be peaceful,'' Chansley yelled. ''We have the right to peacefully assemble.''

The video directly contradicts what government prosecutors alleged in a complaint filed January 8 against Chansley. In the complaint: ''Robishaw and other officers calmed the protestors somewhat and directed them to leave the area from the same way they had entered. Chansley approached Officer Robishaw and screamed, among other things, that this was their House and that they were there to take the Capitol and to get Congressional leaders.''

Well, that is not on the video. And then when you see that, you have Feds that have made these allegations in writing and actually signed their name to them, well, that kind of gives us an indication why they don't want the 14,000 hours of video that would show everything that happened here at the Capitol. They don't want them released. They are fighting against releasing them. They don't want people to see them, which is a bit unusual because in the United States, one of the points of the revolution was to have an open government where you didn't have secret prosecutions and secret evidence like the Soviet Union would use, like Kafka talked about in his book, The Trial.

And yet, often these days, you will have a SWAT team of Federal agents swarm and arrest people, like we had a hearing some years back. My friend, BOBBY SCOTT, Democrat from Virginia, and I were both very concerned about the civil rights. And we didn't know

what political party, if any, that these people that were being abused claimed, but we knew they were being abused regardless of race, creed, color. They were being abused and the Federal process was being abused. And that has gone on in Democrat, Republican, Democrat, Republican administrations. It ought to be a concern to everybody.

And so, secrecy surrounding January 6 just should not exist. There is no reason for it. Let everyone see exactly what happened. Don't try to hide the facts. Don't pull an FBI and only give us a written account of your interpretation of what was said and done. Let us see the video. And don't edit it. Let us see the video. Quit trying to hide the 14,000 hours of videotape. Who are you trying to hide? Why are you trying to hide it?

Well, this story gives an indication, perhaps, why these things would be hidden. And, yes, I am extremely conservative, but it doesn't matter who is being abused by abusive law officers. Truth and justice need to rule out. And this raises great concerns.

So, under the rule of the House, we are not allowed to run videotape or audiotape, so the best we could do is have blowups. This is Mr. Watson—he doesn't look a whole lot like me—but Mr. Watson, and it says: ''The police here are willing to work with us and cooperate peacefully like our First Amendment allows.''

And the video reveals Officer Robishaw, and he is saying, ''We are not against—you need to show us . . . do you understand. No attacking, no assault, remain calm.''

And then you have Mr. Watson, who comes back, and he turns to the group there and says: ''We are not going to assault, we are going to be heard. Everybody—this must be peaceful.''

So there were people engaging in violence for which they need to be punished. And there were people who were trying to engage peacefully. And that was most of the tens of thousands who were outside the Capitol that didn't come into the Capitol, that had been down for the President's speech at the other end of Constitution or Pennsylvania Avenue that didn't even have time to get up here to the Capitol before some folks entered the Capitol.

So there is a lot that needs to be learned, and I hope that we will have friends on the other side of the aisle who will join us in demanding the release of the 14,000 hours of videotape.

There is a story from FOX News that a Politico reporter falsely suggests U.S. Capitol Police condemned GOP lawmakers for opposing the January 6 commission. That was an anonymous letter. We don't know if it was more than one, who it was, were they all Capitol Police, was there more than one. We don't know, because it was anonymous. And then the Capitol Police came out and said we are not taking a position in this whatsoever.

Now, a New York Post reported—and this is Elizabeth Elizalde—she reported back January 13 that Mr. Watson was out on bond for trafficking marijuana and LSD at the time he traveled to Washington, D.C. He had been out on $103,000 bond on a drug trafficking case. Well, that is not somebody that should have been leading a protest here in Washington. But yet, here he was. And even then, he did not want to engage in any violence.

But then, I ran across this story from May 7, and I had not seen this story until this week. I somehow missed it. The lame stream media did not appear to be reporting it. It is from The Orlando Sentinel, and it is an AP story, so I don't know why more places didn't get the story out there, but it is from Tallahassee.

''A Florida man was convicted Thursday of trying to organize an armed response to supporters of former President Donald Trump for an expected gathering at the State Capitol in January ahead of Joe Biden's Presidential inauguration.

''Daniel Alan Baker, 33, of Tallahassee, was convicted of two counts of transmitting a communication in interstate commerce containing a threat to kidnap or injure another person. Baker used social media to recruit people in a plot to create a circle around protestors and trap them in the Capitol, according to the FBI. The court documents describe what it said were a series of threats of violence made by Baker, along with a prediction of civil war. Baker was described as anti-Trump, anti-government, anti-white supremacists, and anti-police.

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Anyway, that is an interesting story that I didn't see played up by the media too big. This is an important story, and it does need to be addressed.

Unfortunately, when we talk about rules violations, it turns out, on June 22 of 2016, Republicans in the majority were prevented from having an official proceeding. I didn't realize it back then, but I knew it violated all kinds of House rules, but when Democrat Members of Congress took over, and one of the Democrat Members grabbed the microphone and would not let a Republican have it.

Anyway, we were prevented from having an official session of Congress, and they held the floor, held a sit-in down here for over 24 hours. And it turns out that a charge that is being leveled at some of the people, including people who were peacefully here, like some of those in Watson's group who actually were here peacefully, they are being charged with impeding an official proceeding under 18 U.S.C. 1512.

I didn't realize it, but when that was signed into law before I got here back in 2002, it carried a 20-year potential sentence for impeding an official proceeding. It says ''corruptly,'' which in the definition of the statute means with intent to keep the official proceeding from happening.

So it seems there were many violations of that criminal law back then. Probably the limitations has run out, and I am not suggesting we go back and arrest people for violating that law back in 2016. I am suggesting that when people violate the law that are in Congress—not just rules, but actually violate criminal laws—I would hope they would be a little less condemning of others for violating the same law that they did.

Hopefully, we will see a little more bipartisan work. We had friends across the aisle saying, gee, the 9/11 Commission was completely bipartisan, both sides worked together well and wanted to get to the bottom of it. But it was clear the way the January 6 commission was being set up, where Democrats pick all of the staff, that this is not going to be a fair situation. It is not going to work out like the 9/11 Commission because this is a different time. I never thought I would see times like this when we really do have different goals.

Some in this body will condemn Israel for defending themselves like they have, and not say one word about the rockets—the 4,000 rockets that have flown and killed innocent Israelis. And I know there are people in the United States who say there is no such thing as an innocent Israeli, we need to wipe them all out, we need to kill every one of them, the area from the river to the sea should be free of Jews.

That gets really scary when people in America say that, feel that, because that really falls right into the same type of things that were being said in the 1930s in Europe, and we know what that led to.

As Barney Fife used to say, that needs to be nipped in the bud. That needs to be stopped. It is getting dangerous not just for this country, but for all of civilization.

There are people who want anarchy, including Antifa. There are people within Antifa who that is what they want. And then there are people who are Marxists, socialists, and BLM, their ultimate goal is to create a Marxist government.

It is interesting, because Marx was so wrong about so much. He just missed it. He totally missed the idea that you could have a middle class that would be the real strength in a country, as it has been in the United States. He thought it was going to be a class revolution, that the workers of the world would unite and rebel against that small thin veneer of a ruling class.

He didn't foresee that the real rulers would be the middle class. But as this country has progressed, we have seen billionaires arise, who think they are above the law; who think that, gee, if we move into a totalitarian government, they will be part of that thin veneer of a ruling class.

Unfortunately, though, they are brilliant in business, creating monopolies and making billions of dollars, even though some don't even pay their workers enough that they can avoid food stamps. But they don't know

enough about history. They don't know enough about Marxist movements. Because, sure, people who want a totalitarian, Marxist, socialist system, they are glad to have that money. $500 million to help in the Democrat effort to win the last election by just one of those oligarchs, they are glad to have that money.

But history tells us that if the Marxists take over, the first thing they do is take all that money.

Do you think BERNIE SANDERS is kidding about his disgust at billionaires?

No. They will take your money. They will use it to win. And then after they win, they will take your money and you will either go to a Gulag or you are put to death. They are not going to leave billionaires around to manage things. They will take your money and you will go the way, as so many Soviets did. I hope they wake up in time to realize.

But Marx was so wrong. Why are people following him? He was proven wrong in the Soviet Union. He was proven wrong in Venezuela.

And then along came Gramsci. Back in the 1940s, he was put in Italian jail. He figured out, okay, Marx had it wrong; we can't get our revolution and overthrow Democratic Republic, like here in the United States, by having the middle class unite and overthrow the most wealthy.

The only way to get it done in a place like that is not workers of the world unite, but it is to go into institutions and create an institutional war where you take over institutions. You pit institution against institution. You go to war against the culture. That is what we are seeing in America. That is what is being utilized.

Things like the family, no matter how many studies repeatedly show that the best odds for a child to be very successful is to come from a two-parent family and a well-grounded family. That is it. That is the best chance to succeed in life. Thank God, there are so many of the most important people in the history of the United States who have come from single-mom families, single-parent families. But the odds are best if it is a traditional family, like Moses, Jesus, and the Apostle Paul talked about.

And I will never forget a murder trial of the leader of a gang, over which I presided as judge. He didn't testify on the merits of the case. He was charged with murder. He murdered a Hispanic friend, but he thought that this guy had ratted him out to the police. He was convicted of killing this guy.

As people testified during the trial on the merits of guilt or innocence, they were disparaging his gang and the gang members, and the violence in which they were engaged. So once he was convicted, his attorney, smartly and wisely, advised his client not to testify on sentencing, because once you start testifying, as I warned him outside the presence of the jury, you waive your right to remain silent.

At that point, once you waive your right to remain silent, you are subject to cross-examination. You do have to answer the questions that are relevant and material. And you if you don't, you can be put in jail and kept in jail for not answering those questions.

He understood all of that and he went against the advice of his attorney. He explained the reason he had to get up there and testify. He sat through the whole trial hearing people talk badly about his gang members, and it was an emotional thing to him.

He told us, everybody in the courtroom, that he was sick of hearing the gang members being called names, being accused of things. And he said: They are the only family I ever had. They are my family.

He didn't have a father, that he knew of. His mother was working and she was gone much of the time. And, as he said, that gang was his family.

And I was thinking, that is what happens when you have a war on poverty that starts by bribing families to get the father out of the home. Now, I know that was not the intent. The intent was to help single moms, but the effect of the Federal Government paying people to not have fathers in the home, going back to the mid-60s, has changed this society, has eliminated fathers from the lives of children, and has prevented many from getting the education that was once so highly sought in America.

When my youngest daughter was going into high school, one of the high school leaders, employees there, indicated that about 40 percent of her class would not graduate and would drop out of school. I couldn't believe those numbers. Forty percent in Tyler, Texas, will not likely graduate and drop out of school.

You can't maintain an advanced society when 40 percent of a generation are not learning to read and write, and they are not finishing even a secondary education. You can't maintain a society like that.

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We are doomed unless we get that turned around. That is still the case if we don't get this turned around, where they get a better education.

People will say: Well, more Federal Government is the answer.

It hasn't been. Back when the States and local government were totally in charge of the education of students through high school, we had a higher percentage graduating back then. They were doing better on tests back then.

I remember in the early nineties—I believe that is when it was—that there was a report that SAT scores had been getting lower than they were back in the seventies, when I took the SAT. So they had made an adjustment in the scoring of the SAT so that the scores appeared to be better.

Back then, I asked the president at Texas A&M, when I was down there on the board of directors of the former student association: When they adjusted the scoring of the SAT, what did that do?

He said: Well, there was a formula so you can't say it added a specific number of points, but, on average, it probably added 200 points or so to the current takers of this SAT scores.

Also, that it wouldn't look so bad since the Federal Government basically started telling the States and local governments what to do about education. So apparently we were doing better back in the late sixties and seventies on our SATs until the Federal Government got more involved. We were doing better on our SATs until President Carter created a Department of Education.

When I took it, I did very well. It got me into the honors program at Texas A&M. I am sure that shocks people who think that I am the dumbest guy in Congress. I was part of the honors program, and that was really nice. About 150 of the best scores on the SAT of the class of about 3,500, I think we were.

But how in the world do students not get as educated after we create a Federal Department of Education that starts dictating what students have to do to be educated?

It sounds like maybe we need to get back to the 10th Amendment observation that those powers not specifically enumerated in the Constitution are reserved to the States and people. It seemed like perhaps the best education control is local control, where the parents can be more hands-on.

But I understand when, at the same time, the Federal Government is paying to have only a single parent and not paying for two parents to be in the home that the studies were right. It helps to have a two-parent home to increase the odds of success for the children.

We are having a hearing that I left. I had finished my part in the hearing and came over here. But it is on guns and discussions about mass gun shootings that break your heart. Innocent people. There seem to be so many more now.

But if you are going to have Weather Underground people in universities teaching that there is no right, there is no wrong, it is all relative; if you are going to have people teaching there is no God, there is no ultimate source of right, wrong, and justice; if you are going to be teaching that, then you are going to have what our Founders would have called an immoral and an irreligious people.

John Adams was a fan of the Constitution, although there were lots of bitter fights. Back in those days, they could yell, they could fuss, and they could do like we do. I fussed at friends across the aisle, and I really like them. I just think they are wrong on some things. It doesn't keep me from liking them if we disagree. But as he said, ''this Constitution is intended for a moral and religious people; it is wholly inadequate for the government of any other.''

He is right.

We have a Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms, and it is not to be infringed upon by the Federal Government or the State Government. But the problem is when we quit teaching about right and wrong; when we started preventing the greatest, most purchased book in the history of the world, the Bible, from being utilized in schools, then it created a vacuum, it created a void. And that was filled by people who were a bit hedonistic and began teaching that there is no ultimate right or wrong.

C.S. Lewis talked about he was proud to be an atheist. Or you could say agnostic, Mr. Speaker. He just didn't believe there was any way to determine that there really was a God. He used to like to goad people who would say they were Christians: Well, tell me, if there is a good God, how can there be so much injustice in the world?

No matter what they said, especially these debates he would have with other Oxford professors or students when they would try to explain why there was a good God even though there was so much injustice, he would come back and say: Yes, that is all well and good, but wouldn't it be easier just to say there is no such thing as a good God?

One day he realized, how could he possibly say there was injustice in the world if there was not somewhere some absolute source of right and wrong and justice and injustice?

Because, as he said, it would be like a man blind from birth trying to describe light. You can't describe justice if there isn't an ultimate source of fairness and justice. And that ultimate source put a little of that in every heart.

Some develop calluses. It is kind of like the olfactory. I have read that that is supposed to be the most sensitive sense, the best memory of any of our senses. I think Mr. Science or somebody was explaining one day on television that the olfactory nerves are a bit like a cup. Those cells fill up with a smell, and it is like filling up a cup with water. Once it fills up, you can't detect that there is more water out there because it is full. The olfactory, once it is full of a smell, it quits detecting the smell is there.

It is the same way when we are around evil or wrongdoing long enough. I saw it as a judge many times. Mothers would say: Hey, don't hang around with those people, they are bad news. And they would hang around with them. And when I would sentence them, they would say: My mother said I shouldn't be hanging out with these guys; I did, and it ruined my life.

Mr. Speaker, if you hang around with evil long enough, then you quit noticing the good. That has happened for too many people. They didn't have families and they didn't have churches and institutions that they were part of that taught them there is a right and wrong.

Once C.S. Lewis realized there has to be some source of absolute right and wrong, then he realized there has to be a God, and then he went from there to becoming a Christian. As he said, just because there are different degrees of recognition and appreciation for justice doesn't mean that there isn't an absolute source of justice. He said that it is like music. Some people come closer to hitting the right note than others. It doesn't mean the music doesn't exist.

But in this country, we had that as a solid basis. Our founding was not about 1619 or 1620. The Pilgrims didn't come over because of slavery. They came over for freedom of religion, as a place where Christians would not be persecuted. Despite different denominations battling and interdenominational battles, people, for most of our history, have not been persecuted for being Christians.

Until recently, we didn't see a lot of anti-Semitism in the United States, but it is growing. As my friend, BRAD SHERMAN, was pointing out, it is alarming to see the anti-Semitism growing in violence, as the event out in California.

So I hope that we can come back to a place where people who may have violated the impeding and official proceeding, as happened January 22, 2016, will be a little more understanding of people engaged in peaceful protest, who didn't and wouldn't engage in violence.

We will agree on the violence: they need to be punished. But I hope that we can work together to advance this country to the point where there is fairness, there is justice, and we are not going to discriminate against people because of the color of their skin. We will be a colorblind society.

Dr. King had a dream, and people are turning it into a nightmare. Let's get back to his dream and make it happen so that he can be the luminary that God intended him to be.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

TWO-TRACK JUSTICE SYSTEM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2021, the Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Georgia (Mrs. GREENE) for 30 minutes.

Mrs. GREENE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I would like to address the two-track justice system here in the United States.

If you are part of the Democrat-sponsored and Democrat terrorist organizations BLM and Antifa, then you can burn down American cities for an entire year, get bailed out of jail, and face no investigation or commission from Congress.

Meanwhile, Mr. Speaker, if you are a Trump supporter who happened to be at the Capitol on January 6, then you face exorbitant bail, solitary confinement, abuse of jail guards, and no due process.

This is an outrage. Just today, just this week, Congress told all of the American citizens that Congress cares more about Congress than the American people. After all, we have witnessed American cities all over our country be victims to violent riots by domestic terrorists all over this country.

The people have endured this. Businesses have been destroyed. Violence has happened. Police officers, night after night, have been abused and have had to endure these violent riots and attacks, on and on.

Yet this institution has been focused on itself and focused on investigating January 6, even though there are many investigations already happening here through the Senate and the House committees. There have already been over 445 people arrested from January 6. There are also more than 100 to be arrested soon. There is justice happening for the riot here at the Capitol on January 6.

Republicans and Democrats, together, are against the violence and the riot that happened here in the Capitol on January 6, but the problem lies with this: Republicans and Democrats are not together on the violence that has happened to the people all over this country throughout the past year.

That is why Congress is only concerned with itself and not about the American people.

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Rioters did a horrific and jaw-dropping amount of damage to cities across America. During 2020, there was up to $2 billion in damage due to the riots that swept the Nation, the most expensive in insurance history.

By the way, that is not a $2 billion bailout fund coming from the government. That is not a taxpayer-funded check. That is private money. That is private money that insurance companies are having to pay because domestic terrorists rioted.

The damage done to Federal buildings has been incredibly costly. BLM rioters in Nashville set a Federal courthouse on fire. The destruction is estimated to have cost $1.2 million in damages. This is a courthouse. Why were those involved attacking and setting fire to this courthouse not called insurrectionists? It is a question that needs to be asked.

Rioters in Portland destroyed barriers and attempted to burn down government buildings, costing $1.6 million in damage to the Federal courthouse downtown. Why is this not called an insurrection? And, again, why is Congress not concerned with creating a commission for this type of damage and the people who caused this attack?

In Guilford County, North Carolina, a courthouse was broken into and set on fire, resulting in roughly $200,000 in damages. Again, it is a courthouse. Why is that not called an insurrection? And there is not a government bailout and a commission in place to investigate these things.

Los Angeles, Oakland, Louisville, and Dakota City also had damage to Federal buildings. These cities are not

being named. Members of Congress are not demanding a commission to investigate the damages happening to the Federal buildings in these cities. No one is being called insurrectionists for the damage that is done to these Federal buildings.

As a matter of fact, most of the time, if you watch the news, they are called peaceful protesters. These are not peaceful protests. These are violent domestic acts of terror, and this is exactly how they should be viewed, and this is how they should be handled.

The looting, burning, and destruction across America have cost cities millions and millions of dollars. Riots caused an estimated $55 million in damages in Minneapolis alone. Minneapolis city officials estimate 700 buildings were damaged, burned or destroyed, including, in one estimation, 360 local businesses. But I have an article right here that contains a list of 1,500 businesses that were damaged or destroyed—1,500 businesses.

Mr. Speaker, it is these businesses and these business owners that pay the taxes that fund everything that we do here. These people should matter. Their businesses should matter. Why is there not a commission investigating this? Why doesn't Congress care about these people and their businesses?

Rioters in Portland set up an autonomous zone that ultimately cost the city $2.3 million in damages—an autonomous zone. What is an autonomous zone, and how can people take over part of a city, an American city, and say that it is theirs, and that they control it, and that no government authority can come in and enforce the law, enforce law and order in this part of the city?

Yet, this is what happened with peaceful protesters in Portland. They created an autonomous zone, costing the taxpayers of Portland $2.3 million in damages. Again, that was not a bailout fund. Those are people's actual dollars, private citizens' dollars.

Riots in New York are estimated to have cost the city $115 million. One Friday night alone cost the city $100,000 and resulted in the arrest of 150 rioters. That was just in one night, the arrest of 150 rioters. It is unbelievable.

Riots in Salt Lake City cost at least $100,000 in damages.

Riots in Wichita, Kansas, cost the police department nearly $1.5 million in overtime because they had to work. They had to show up for another shift when they were exhausted from working the shift before. So, they had to be paid overtime because they were overrun with rioters.

Riots in Denver cost the city at least $5.5 million in damages and overtime.

This is unbelievable, when there are antifa, BLM rioters, domestic terrorists causing so much violence and damage in a city that these cities and police departments are having to call their police officers back in after working their shifts, their long hours: No, I am sorry. You can't go home to your family. I am sorry, you can't go home and do things that you need to do in your regular life. We need you to come in. We need you to come back and work overtime because our city is overrun with violence.

Yet, here the United States Congress, the 117th Congress, has no interest in launching a commission to investigate, to stop these incredibly organized and well-funded organizations of terror across American cities and the country that are causing private citizens, businesses, insurance companies, cities, counties, and States so much money that all comes from American citizens and taxpayers.

Money is not created right here in Congress. This is not a facility. This is not an institution that creates revenue. The only revenue that Congress operates on is the American people's tax dollars that they have to pay right here to the Federal Government. Congress needs to learn to put the people first and not itself.

Riots in Baltimore cost the city an estimated $26 million—again, taxpayer dollars, privacy citizens' dollars.

Riots in Kansas City resulted in $2.1 million in damages, most over the course of just one weekend. That is some kind of party, isn't it, where antifa and BLM terrorists can go out and just riot in violence and rage in one weekend, costing a city $2.1 million?

Rioters in Kenosha, Wisconsin, injured police officers and set at least two city trucks on fire. Altogether, the destruction cost the city $50 million. Does anyone understand what $50 million is? That is an exorbitant amount of money in damages for people who were angry and think that it is okay to riot and destroy other people's property, other people's businesses, and tear down a community. There is no excuse for that.

Here we have California, where they closed down all of its State buildings in downtown areas, saying staff should not report to work for any reason. That sounds like some kind of Third World country where you have California closing down all of its State buildings in downtown areas saying that your staff should not report to work for any reason. Why? Because it is too dangerous for you.

Yet, this Congress is so concerned with spending an unknown amount of money on a January 6 commission when there are already multiple investigations underway. There have already been 445 arrests made, 100 more to take place. Yet, this Congress is not concerned about all the violence and the organizations that caused all of this to the point where California has to say: Don't come to work. It is dangerous.

Look at this. It is unreal. This is our country. The police officers who defend Americans paid a great price as well, just like the Capitol Police officers here in the Capitol did. The police officers all over the country in American cities, it didn't just happen to them on one day for part of the day. It happened to them night after night, day after day, continuously.

In some cities, for a short time, weeks, but in some cities, it was months and months, and it still continues. The Major Cities Chiefs Association found that between May 25 and July 31, there were 8,700 protests nationwide. How many was there on January 6? One.

Nearly 600 of those protests were declared riots with violence and criminal acts, and 2,385 looting incidents were reported. Six hundred of them were declared violent riots, 2,385 looting incidents. Again, how many times did that happen here at the Capitol? We will go with one riot.

But this Congress is more interested in spending an unknown amount of money to investigate one riot here because this Congress seems to only care about itself and not the American people.

Three-quarters of law enforcement agencies reported officers harmed during the protests—three-quarters of law enforcement agencies. Why don't we hear about them over and over on the news? Does no one care about those police officers' lives? Apparently not. This Congress obviously doesn't.

More than 624 arsons were reported, and at least 97 police vehicles were burned. That cost a lot of money. Again, do you know whose money that is? It is the taxpayers' dollars. The taxpayers did nothing wrong to deserve these riots in their cities, and the police officers that did a good job and do a good job every day don't deserve it either—just because of the actions of a few bad apples.

The MCCA reported that over 2,000 law enforcement officers were injured in these 9 weeks alone. That is why I introduced H.R. 2446 to award police all over the country who defended American cities. They deserve medals because no one is acknowledging what they have gone through, night after night, day after day, with what CNN calls peaceful protests. I don't think so.

Meanwhile, BLM and antifa domestic terrorists are bailed out and supported by our now-Vice President KAMALA HARRIS. George Floyd died on May 25 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. As you see here, on June 1, we have then-Senator KAMALA HARRIS and then-Vice Presidential candidate for the United States sharing, tweeting, a link to the Minnesota Freedom Fund encouraging people, if you are able, chip in now. Chip in now. Send some more money to the Minnesota Freedom Fund to help post bail for those protesting on the ground in Minnesota.

But we know what was going on. These were not protests. These were violent riots. I am sorry, you can't stand in front of a city on fire and people fighting and say it is a protest. It is a riot, and it is not peaceful.

In fact, KAMALA HARRIS, and unfortunately, my own colleague from Minneapolis, ILHAN OMAR, have shared links to the Minnesota Freedom Fund with their millions of Twitter followers. And it raised a lot of money for the Minnesota Freedom Fund. In August, the Minnesota Freedom Fund reported that it had raised $35 million in donations.

Yes, when the Democratic candidate for the Vice President of the United States says donate to the Minnesota Freedom Fund, people donated. When the Congresswoman from Minneapolis, Minnesota, shared on her Twitter to millions of followers and pointed down, meaning follow suit, donate, guess what? They raised $35 million.

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And guess what happened from that. As a result of all the money raised by then-Senator KAMALA HARRIS and then the Democrat Vice Presidential candidate of the United States, now our current Vice President, and current Congresswoman from Minneapolis, Minnesota, 184 domestic terrorist criminals that rioted were bailed out from the Minnesota Freedom Fund.

The criminals they helped bail out include a woman who shot at the SWAT team; another woman, who was accused of killing her own friend; and a convicted rapist. That is just a few of the people that were bailed out with the money raised directly for the Minnesota Freedom Fund by then-Senator KAMALA HARRIS and Congresswoman ILHAN OMAR, shared on their own Twitter pages.

Can you imagine if a Republican Congresswoman or Congressman or a Republican Senator or a Republican President shared a bail bond link and said: ''Bail out the protestors from January 6''? Can you imagine the result of that? It would be unreal.

There has been no backlash, there has been no consequences, there has been no action taken from this irresponsibility, supporting domestic terrorists who are responsible for violence, crime, and costing the innocent American people an exorbitant amount of money, stress, ruining communities, ruining people's livelihoods, and tearing apart our country. No accountability whatsoever.

These Democrat lawmakers have also voted for defunding police departments across the country. So while they also raised money for domestic terrorists, who committed crimes, to be bailed out of jail, at the same time they legislate and vote to defund police.

H.R. 1280, that they voted for and passed, removed qualified immunity. That means police officers can be sued if someone is upset with them for their actions on the job.

Police officers don't make a lot of money. They can't afford big attorney bills. It will ruin them, just because someone may get their feelings hurt because they got arrested.

H.R. 1280 also will allow police officers to be put on a list. That means whether it is proven or unproven, someone can accuse a police officer of doing some sort of wrong, and their name and information gets put on a public list that the Department of Justice will manage on a website that is open to anyone that wants to look it up. Founded or unfounded, their actions, no matter if it is true or not, their name goes on this list and what they are being accused of. This is what these people voted for to do to police officers and remove a lot of their funding.

After the LAPD was defunded by $150 million, Vice President HARRIS said: ''I applaud Eric Garcetti for doing what he has done.''

As a result of the funding cuts, the LAPD dissolved its sexual assault unit. Defunding the LAPD where they have to get rid of the sexual assault unit? That is unbelievable. That means women, children, any victim of sexual assault—I am sorry, there is not a unit there anymore to help them, because they have been defunded.

As a result of this defunding, Vice President HARRIS applauds Eric Garcetti for doing what he has done, there has been a 73 percent spike in shootings in LA. When you defund the police, ladies and gentlemen, there are direct consequences. That means crime goes up.

There has also been a 200 percent higher murder rate than last year at the same time. If you don't fund law enforcement, you are funding criminals. Clearly, we can see this is what some of these Democrat lawmakers have done; they have clearly funded criminals and defunded the police.

Back to Minneapolis and the riots there.

Notice that this date, 11/4/20, that is not too long ago, encouraging donations. There is no excuse for that. November 4, 2020, by that date, we had seen plenty of violence and damage all over the streets. There was no way to call those riots peaceful protests. We know exactly what they are: domestic acts of terror.

In Congresswoman ILHAN OMAR's district, 700 buildings were damaged, burned, or destroyed. Who owns those buildings? Mostly private citizens.

1,500 businesses. Here is the list. It is reported from the Star Tribune from Minneapolis, for the Twin Cities. 1,500 privately owned businesses heavily damaged, two destroyed, mostly completely destroyed.

The problem with Congress is, Congress does not get up early every single day, go into its business and have to earn the money that keeps it going. Congress does not have to work so hard, lose sleep at night, to figure out how to earn the money to keep the doors open to their business. Congress does not have to lose sleep at night when things get rough, like when the Government shuts down the economy because of a Chinese virus and tells businesses that they cannot keep their doors open and sell their goods and services, that they cannot earn a living. You see, Congress doesn't understand how hard it is to figure out how to keep paying your employees when that happens to you.

Congress doesn't understand or seem to care about doing a commission for the people that pay the taxes to keep the lights on in this building, to care about them and why they were violently attacked. No, Congress only cares about itself and why it was attacked on January 6, even though there are multiple investigations going on, even though there has been 445 people arrested and 100 people more arrested.

And justice should be served for those that committed violence here at the Capitol on January 6, but Congress doesn't care about the American people who have suffered this entire year, and it is despicable.

The human cost of a year of riots and violence is 25 American lives lost. That has been estimated. Twenty-five Americans are dead as a direct result of BLM and antifa terrorism that has swept our Nation.

I will go ahead and tell you about one.

This little girl's name is Secoriea Turner. Secoriea Turner was killed at a Wendy's in Atlanta, because there were riots going on. Secoriea Turner's mother was pulling in the Wendy's, turning around, trying to go the right way, when gunshots were fired that took Secoriea Turner's life. She was 8 years old. This little girl was 8 years old and was murdered during a riot.

There is not a commission being launched in here for her life. There is also not a commission being launched for the life of David Dorn, a great man, a retired police officer who was murdered during domestic terrorists, BLM, riots. Why does Congress not care about David Dorn? Why does Congress not care about Secoriea Turner?

Despite all of this damage, there is no investigation into domestic terrorism from Congress. We have no commission launched to investigate the funding of antifa. There is no investigation into the funding of BLM. There is no commission set forward for the past year of violent riots. But all they care about is a commission for the one riot here on January 6.

The accused on January 6 have been abused behind bars; they have been denied due process rights; they are still being held in jail. Michael Sherwin, an attorney for D.C., bragged that they had rounded up 400 people who participated in the breach of the Capitol on January 6. He said he wanted to charge as many people as possible.

What kind of justice system do we have if officials are eager to charge as many people as possible, but they don't care about antifa domestic terrorists and they don't care about the people in those riots?

The Biden administration has taken investigators who typically work on cases involving drug trafficking and

child pornography and assigned them to calling relatives, even ex-girlfriends, of the January 6 accused in an attempt to find them guilty.

Please put them back on drug trafficking and child pornography. These departments are being defunded anyway.

One person accused faces 7 years in prison for walking through the open doors of the Capitol, taking photos in the hallway, and leaving without doing any harm.

Even the mainstream media outlets have reported on D.C. jail guards cruelly beating Trump supporters. One man was beaten so badly he has a skull fracture and is now blind in one eye. You don't hardly hear anything about that on the news.

Months after January 6, men and women are still being held in jail, and they haven't seen their day in court. Justice should be served for January 6, but this Congress needs to care about the people of the United States who have not seen justice for the riots of the past year. This Congress is failing the American people.

Not only are we a Nation nearly in $30 trillion in debt, but we have a Congress that could care less about law and order in the United States

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the Vice President.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(b) of House Resolution 188, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 42 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, May 21, 2021, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC–1262. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Thomas S. James, Jr., United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–1263. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the report on the operation of the Exchange Stabilization Fund for Fiscal Year 2020, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5302(c)(2); Jan. 30, 1934, ch. 6, Sec. 10 (as amended by Public Law 97-258, Sec. 5302(c)(2)); (96 Stat. 994); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC–1264. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the 39th Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 for Fiscal Year 2020, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6106a(b); Public Law 94-135, Sec. 308(b); (92 Stat. 1556); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

EC–1265. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report containing recommendations related to maintaining an adequate national blood supply, pursuant to Public Law 116-22, Sec. 209; (133 Stat. 929); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC–1266. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1267. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1268. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Central African Republic that was declared in Executive Order 13667 of May 12, 2014, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1269. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the situation in and in relation to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13894 of October 14, 2019, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1270. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Belarus that was declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1271. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1272. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo that was declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1273. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); Public Law 92-403, Sec. 1(a) (as amended by Public Law 108-458, Sec. 7121(b)); (118 Stat. 3807); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1274. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Yemen that was declared in Executive Order 13611 of May 16, 2012, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC–1275. A letter from the General Counsel, Administrative Conference of the United States, transmitting the Conference's 2020 No FEAR Act Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–1276. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of General Counsel, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting five (5) notifications of a nomination, action on nomination, or discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–1277. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting one (1) notification of a nomination and discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–1278. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department on Homeland Security, transmitting five (5) nominations and one action on nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–1279. A letter from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's semiannual report prepared by the Inspector General for the period of October 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–1280. A letter from the Vice Chairman and Executive Director, Administrative Conference of the United States, transmitting the FY 2020 Equal Access to Justice Act Awards Report, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2412(d)(5)(A); Public Law 116-9, Sec. 4201(a)(2); (133 Stat. 763); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–1281. A letter from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting a report on compliance within the time limitations established for deciding habeas corpus death penalty petitions under Title I of the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2266(b)(5)(A); Added by Public Law 104-132, Sec. 107(a); (110 Stat. 1225) and 28 U.S.C. 2266(c)(5); Public Law 104-132, Sec. 107(a); (110 Stat. 1226); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–1282. A letter from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting the Conference's bankruptcy judgeship recommendations and corresponding draft legislation and analysis for the 117th Congress, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 152(b)(2); Added by Public Law 98-353, Sec. 104(a); (98 Stat. 338); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–1283. A letter from the Clerk, United States Court of Appeals, transmitting an opinion and opinion sur denial of petition for rehearing of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, C.A. No. 20-1422,

United States of America v. Safehouse, et al. (January 12, 2021); C.A. No. 20-1422, United States of America v. Safehouse, et al. (March 24, 2021); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–1284. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Rockwell Collins, Inc., Global Positioning Systems [Docket No.: FAA-2020-0915; Project Identifier AD-2020-00661-Q; Amendment 39-21501; AD 2021-08-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 12, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC–1285. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; MHI RJ Aviation ULC (Type Certificate Previously Held by Bombardier, Inc.) Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2020-1137; Project Identifier MCAI-2020-00816-T; Amendment 39-21487; AD 2021-07-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 12, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC–1286. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report entitled, ''Medicare National Coverage Determinations for Fiscal Year 2020'', pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395ff(f)(7); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1869(f)(7) (as amended by Public Law 106-554, Sec. 1(a)(6)); (114 Stat. 2763A-546); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC–1287. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the report to Congress, titled, ''The Medicare Secondary Payer Commercial Repayment Center in Fiscal Year 2020'', pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395ddd(h)(8); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1893(h)(8) (as amended by Public Law 109-432, Sec. 302(a)); (120 Stat. 2992); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC–1288. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's ''Report to Congress — Annual Update: Identification of Quality Measurement Priorities and Associated Funding for the Consensus Based Entity (currently the National Quality Forum) and Other Entities'', pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395aaa(e); Aug. 14 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1890(e) (as amended by Public Law 115-123, Sec. 50206(b)); (132 Stat. 184); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC–1289. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the report to Congress, titled, ''The Medicare Secondary Payer Commercial Repayment Center in Fiscal Year 2019'', pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395ddd(h)(8); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1893(h)(8) (as amended by Public Law 109-432, Sec. 302(a)); (120 Stat. 2992); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC–1290. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting the Attorney General's Second Quarterly Report of FY 2021 on the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 4332(b)(2); Public Law 103-353, Sec. 2(a) (as added by Public Law 110-389, Sec. 312(c)); (122 Stat. 4165); jointly to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs and the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Ms. WATERS: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 2570. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require certain disclosures relating to climate change, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 117–39). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Ms. BONAMICI (for herself, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ, Mr. TRONE, Ms. JACOBS of California, Mr. NADLER, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, and Mr. CONNOLLY):

H.R. 3362. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to provide notice to students receiving work-study assistance about potential eligibility for participation in the supplemental nutrition assistance program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio:

H.R. 3363. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to direct the Secretary concerned to pursue a claim against an entity hired by the Secretary concerned to return the personal effects of a deceased member of the Armed Forces to the next of kin; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. TAYLOR (for himself and Mr. CORREA):

H.R. 3364. A bill to prohibit the consideration of any bill, resolution, or amendment by Congress unless a statement regarding increases or decreases in Federal taxes, fees, and similar amounts is included; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas:

H.R. 3365. A bill to require the Secretary of Education to disclose information about career and technical education and funding under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006, and require FAFSA applications to include a career and technical education acknowledgment; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas (for himself and Ms. NEWMAN):

H.R. 3366. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to include requirements relating to graduates of career and technical education programs or programs of study for small business development centers and women's business centers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. TAYLOR (for himself, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. KINZINGER, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. MEIJER, Mr. WALTZ, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. STEUBE, Mrs. LURIA, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. GARCIA of California, and Mr. CROW):

H.R. 3367. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that children of certain permanently disabled or deceased veterans shall be preference eligible for purposes of appointments in the civil service, and for other purpose; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. SAN NICOLAS (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Ms. CHU, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mrs. DEMINGS, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. KATKO, Mr. KILMER, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. MAST, Ms. NORTON, Ms. OMAR, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAPPAS, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. RUSH, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. RYAN, Mr. SOTO, Ms. SPANBERGER, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. WELCH, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. MASSIE, Mrs. AXNE, and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 3368. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a presumption of service-connection for certain veterans exposed to certain herbicides while serving in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. JACOBS of New York, Mr. HAGEDORN, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. ALLEN, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. ROUZER, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mrs. CAMMACK, Mr. MANN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. LAMALFA, and Mr. BACON):

H.R. 3369. A bill to codify the ReConnect Program, to expand rural broadband assistance, and to improve the administration and accountability of the broadband programs at the Department of Agriculture; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CURTIS (for himself, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. UPTON, Mr. WITTMAN, and Mr. ARMSTRONG):

H.R. 3370. A bill to streamline broadband permitting process for broadband services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ARRINGTON (for himself, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. THOMPSON of California):

H.R. 3371. A bill to provide payments for home health services furnished via visual or audio telecommunication systems during an emergency period; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. BASS (for herself and Mr. RESCHENTHALER):

H.R. 3372. A bill to authorize implementation grants to community-based nonprofits to operate one-stop reentry centers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BERA (for himself, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. CASE):

H.R. 3373. A bill to strengthen United States engagement in the Oceania region and enhance the security and resilience of allies and partners of the Oceania community, and

for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, Natural Resources, Armed Services, Financial Services, the Judiciary, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BROOKS (for himself and Mr. GOODEN of Texas):

H.R. 3374. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase penalties for individuals who illegally reenter the United States after being removed, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROOKS (for himself and Mr. GOODEN of Texas):

H.R. 3375. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify provisions relating to assistance by States, and political subdivision of States, in the enforcement of Federal immigration laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD:

H.R. 3376. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to promote broadband deployment by increasing participation in broadband support programs; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. CAMMACK (for herself, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. BANKS, Ms. HERRELL, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. CAWTHORN, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. BOST, Mr. KUSTOFF, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. JACKSON, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. OWENS, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. CLINE, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. LATURNER, Mr. WESTERMAN, and Mr. DONALDS):

H.R. 3377. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax benefits for investments in gigabit opportunity zones; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi):

H.R. 3378. A bill to amend the Social Security Act, the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 to require that the value of children's savings accounts be disregarded for the purpose of determining eligibility to receive benefits under such Acts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Agriculture, and Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CHABOT:

H.R. 3379. A bill to establish a government corporation to oversee student athlete agents and third-party licensees of student athlete publicity rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself and Mr. GARAMENDI):

H.R. 3380. A bill to amend chapter 83 of title 41, United States Code (popularly referred to as the Buy American Act), and certain other laws with respect to certain waivers under those laws, to provide greater transparency regarding exceptions to domestic sourcing requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. COHEN (for himself and Mr. SIRES):

H.R. 3381. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue rules requiring the inclusion of new safety equipment in school buses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CONNOLLY (for himself, Mrs. KIM of California, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. KILMER, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. COOPER, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. NUNES, Mr. LOWENTHAL, and Mr. GALLEGO):

H.R. 3382. A bill to provide high-skilled visas for nationals of the Republic of Korea, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRIST (for himself, Mr. AGUILAR, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CASTEN, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. DEAN, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. DEUTCH, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. KEATING, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MENG, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SIRES, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. WILD, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, and Mr. LARSON of Connecticut):

H.R. 3383. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to increase civics education programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. CROW (for himself, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, and Ms. ESCOBAR):

H.R. 3384. A bill to prohibit transfers of individuals between ICE facilities and Federal, State, and local facilities, to ensure physical distancing inside ICE facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CROW (for himself and Mr. WENSTRUP):

H.R. 3385. A bill to waive the requirement to undergo a medical exam for aliens who are otherwise eligible for special immigrant status under the Afghan Allies Protection Act of 2009, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. DELBENE (for herself and Ms. CLARKE of New York):

H.R. 3386. A bill to promote the use of smart technologies and systems in communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, Education and Labor, and Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. DELBENE:

H.R. 3387. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to permit retirement plans to consider certain factors in investment decisions; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. FALLON:

H.R. 3388. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to increase penalties for certain computer fraud and related offenses that involve critical infrastructure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GALLAGHER (for himself and Mr. GOLDEN):

H.R. 3389. A bill to amend the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 to prohibit certain individuals from service as an agent of a foreign principal, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GALLAGHER:

H.R. 3390. A bill to amend the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 to repeal the exemption from registration under such Act for persons providing private and nonpolitical representation of trade and commercial interests, and the exemption from registration under such Act for persons filing disclosure reports under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, in connection with the representation of business organizations organized under the laws of or having their principal place of business in the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GALLEGO (for himself, Ms. JACOBS of California, Mr. TORRES of New York, and Mrs. AXNE):

H.R. 3391. A bill to direct the Secretary of Education to make allotments to States to carry out full-day kindergarten programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. GARBARINO (for himself, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. JACOBS of New York, Mr. ZELDIN, and Mr. CASE):

H.R. 3392. A bill to amend the Economic Aid to Hard-Hit Small Businesses, Nonprofits, and Venues Act with respect to grants for shuttered venue operators, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois (for himself, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. COHEN, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. SOTO, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. SIRES, Ms. MENG, Mr. TRONE, Ms. BUSH, Ms. TITUS, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. POCAN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. CHU, Mr. WELCH, Mr. NADLER, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. KHANNA, and Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ):

H.R. 3393. A bill to remove college cost as a barrier to every student having access to a well-prepared and diverse educator workforce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. GARCIA of Texas (for herself, Ms. OMAR, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. JACKSON LEE):

H.R. 3394. A bill to prohibit the sharing of certain information with respect to individuals who are victims of major disasters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. GOMEZ:

H.R. 3395. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and update the credit for nonbusiness energy property; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GRIJALVA (for himself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CASE, Mr. COHEN, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. SIRES, Mr. SOTO, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 3396. A bill to create dedicated funds to conserve butterflies in North America, plants in the Pacific Islands, freshwater mussels in the United States, and desert fish in the Southwest United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GRIJALVA:

H.R. 3397. A bill to establish high-quality dual language immersion programs in low-income communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. GRIJALVA:

H.R. 3398. A bill to improve the English language and literacy skills of English language learners and their families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. GROTHMAN (for himself and Mr. POCAN):

H.R. 3399. A bill to amend the Federal Power Act to require the consideration of invasive species when prescribing fishways, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. HARTZLER (for herself, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. TURNER, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. BACON, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. CUELLAR, Mrs. KIM of California, Ms. SPANBERGER, Mr. KILMER, and Mrs. AXNE):

H.R. 3400. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to reimburse veterans for the cost of emergency medical transportation to a Federal facility, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. HARTZLER (for herself, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. GALLAGHER, and Mr. ROUZER):

H.R. 3401. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the non-applicability of non-Department of Veterans Affairs covenants not to compete to the appointment of certain Veterans Health Administration personnel, to permit the Veterans Health Administration to make contingent appointments, and to require certain Veterans Health Administration physicians to complete residency training; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. HAYES (for herself, Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 3402. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and to expand eligibility for dependency and indemnity compensation paid to certain survivors of certain veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. HINSON (for herself, Mr. BUCK, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. HERN, Mr. HICE of Georgia, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. CAWTHORN, Mrs. BOEBERT, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. JACOBS of New York, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. PFLUGER, and Ms. MALLIOTAKIS):

H.R. 3403. A bill to limit travel by the Vice President until after certain activities are undertaken with respect to the southwest border, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. DEGETTE, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 3404. A bill to provide drought preparedness and improved water supply reliability to the Nation; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, Ways and Means, Transportation and Infrastructure, the Judiciary, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. RYAN, Mr. KILMER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. MOULTON, Mrs. AXNE, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. SOTO, and Mr. BACON):

H.R. 3405. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to designate a week as ''Battle Buddy Check Week'' for the purpose of outreach and education concerning peer wellness checks for veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. KAHELE (for himself and Mr. CASE):

H.R. 3406. A bill to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs planned to be built in Oahu, Hawaii, as the ''Daniel Kahikina Akaka Department of Veterans Affairs Community-Based Outpatient Clinic''; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. KELLY of Illinois (for herself, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. DEAN, Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CARSON, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. KUSTER, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. MENG, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. WILSON of Florida, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER):

H.R. 3407. A bill to improve Federal efforts with respect to the prevention of maternal mortality, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KILDEE (for himself, Mrs. HINSON, Mr. HILL, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. NORTON, Mr. POCAN, Mr. REED, Ms. SCANLON, and Mr. TAKANO):

H.R. 3408. A bill to clarify that the scope of the National Endowment for the Humanities includes the study of civics and government; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. LAMB (for himself and Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 3409. A bill to establish a Freight Rail Innovation Institute to carry out a research and development program to develop new technologies for freight rail locomotives; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. LAMBORN (for himself, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. DUNCAN, and Mr. GOOD of Virginia):

H.R. 3410. A bill to prohibit Federal funding of National Public Radio and the use of Federal funds to acquire radio content; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. LAMBORN (for himself, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, and Mr. DUNCAN):

H.R. 3411. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit Federal funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting after fiscal year 2023; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. LOUDERMILK:

H.R. 3412. A bill to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to provide relief to nonbanks from certain stress test requirements under such Act; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LUCAS:

H.R. 3413. A bill to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to include the Secretary of Agriculture as a member of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:

H.R. 3414. A bill to repeal the mandatory flood insurance coverage requirement for commercial properties located in flood hazard areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:

H.R. 3415. A bill to require the use of replacement cost value in determining the premium rates for flood insurance coverage under the National Flood Insurance Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:

H.R. 3416. A bill to allow communities to develop alternative flood insurance rate maps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:

H.R. 3417. A bill to provide for greater transfer of risk under the National Flood Insurance Program to private capital and reinsurance markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. MACE:

H.R. 3418. A bill to permit leasing of available Federal real property to expand in-person education during COVID-19 public health emergency; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. MENG, Mr. MORELLE, Mr. NADLER, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. TONKO, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. MEEKS, Miss RICE of New York, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. DELGADO, Mr. JONES, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. BOWMAN, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. JACOBS of New York, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. GARBARINO, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. REED, and Mr. ZELDIN):

H.R. 3419. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at

66 Meserole Avenue in Brooklyn, New York, as the ''Joseph R. Lentol Post Office''; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. MCCAUL (for himself, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. MANN, and Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia):

H.R. 3420. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income certain amounts realized on the disposition of property raised or produced by a student agriculturist, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCEACHIN (for himself, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, and Mr. LEVIN of California):

H.R. 3421. A bill to amend section 230 of the Communications Act of 1934 to reaffirm civil rights, victims' rights, and consumer protections; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MCKINLEY (for himself, Mr. GIBBS, and Mr. STAUBER):

H.R. 3422. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to make changes with respect to water quality certification, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. MENG (for herself, Ms. BUSH, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. KILMER, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. POCAN, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SIRES, Mr. SUOZZI, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. TORRES of New York, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H.R. 3423. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to provide for drinking water fountain replacement in public playgrounds, parks, and libraries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. MENG (for herself and Mr. FORTENBERRY):

H.R. 3424. A bill to establish a global zoonotic disease task force, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia:

H.R. 3425. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reinstate the exception for de minimis payments by third party settlement organizations with respect to returns relating to payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, as in effect prior to the enactment of the American Rescue Plan Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MOULTON (for himself, Mr. KEATING, and Mr. KINZINGER):

H.R. 3426. A bill to authorize the establishment of a Technology Partnership among democratic countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mrs. MURPHY of Florida (for herself and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 3427. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include expenses for certain nonathletic supplies in the above-the-line deduction for eligible educators, and to allow such deduction to interscholastic sports administrators and coaches; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. HERN, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. PERRY, and Mr. ROUZER):

H.R. 3428. A bill to strengthen the supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) categorical eligibility for applicants who already receive supplemental assistance elsewhere and for those with assets high enough to not require assistance; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. ISSA, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, and Mr. CLINE):

H.R. 3429. A bill to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide for contributory liability for certain electronic commerce platforms for use of a counterfeit mark by a third party on such platforms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NEHLS (for himself, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. WEBER of Texas, and Mr. BABIN):

H.R. 3430. A bill to rescind unused earmarks provided for the Department of Transportation and deposit such funds into the Treasury for purposes of deficit reduction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. PAPPAS (for himself and Mr. WEBSTER of Florida):

H.R. 3431. A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to establish a website providing information about grants available to assist State, Tribal, and local governments with climate resiliency, adaptation and mitigation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. PERLMUTTER (for himself, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 3432. A bill to require the Secretary of Education to enter into an agreement with the National Academies to conduct a study on the possible mental health effects of a lockdown drill or active shooter drill in elementary and secondary schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. PHILLIPS:

H.R. 3433. A bill to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to establish a United States Ambassador at Large for Arctic Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. PLASKETT (for herself, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. SOTO, Mr. TORRES of New York, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 3434. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to make improvements to the treatment of the United States territories under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. RODGERS of Washington (for herself and Mr. LATTA):

H.R. 3435. A bill to establish a broadband expansion grant program, to streamline the permitting process for fixed and mobile broadband services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, and Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ROSENDALE:

H.R. 3436. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to exempt certain direct primary care arrangements from regulation as health insurance coverage; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. RUSH (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. CARSON, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COOPER, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Ms. SEWELL, and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi):

H.R. 3437. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to guarantee BioBonds in order to provide funding for loans to eligible biomedical companies and universities to carry out clinical trials approved by the Food and Drug Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SABLAN (for himself and Mrs. RADEWAGEN):

H.R. 3438. A bill to amend the microloan program of the Small Business Act to define State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Ms. SÁNCHEZ:

H.R. 3439. A bill to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to provide protections for extended active duty uniformed consumers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. SCHNEIDER (for himself, Mr. KILDEE, and Ms. BROWNLEY):

H.R. 3440. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for sustainable aviation fuel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SCHNEIDER (for himself, Mr. MCKINLEY, and Ms. KUSTER):

H.R. 3441. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the distribution of additional residency positions to help combat the substance use disorder crisis; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. SCHRIER (for herself, Mr. SIMPSON, and Mr. SCHRADER):

H.R. 3442. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to encourage and expand the use of prescribed fire on land managed by the Department of the Interior or the Forest Service, with an emphasis on units of the National Forest System in the western United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, Energy and Commerce, and the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. TURNER, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. STEWART, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. TAYLOR, Mr. LAMB, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. BACON, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. HICE of Georgia, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. PALAZZO, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, and Mr. WALTZ):

H.R. 3443. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to establish a disability benefit offset for Purple Heart recipients, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia:

H.R. 3444. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to disregard certain contributions to ABLE accounts when determining an individual's ability to engage in substantial gainful activity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia (for himself, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. PALLONE, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. NORTON, Ms. PORTER, and Mr. PERLMUTTER):

H.R. 3445. A bill to amend the National Apprenticeship Act in order to increase and expand the national apprenticeship system to include the immediate recruitment, employment, and on-the-job earn as you learn training of young African Americans, and to promote the development of equitable hiring standards necessary to safeguard the diversity of apprentices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. SHERMAN (for himself, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, and Ms. MENG):

H.R. 3446. A bill to review current restrictions on travel to North Korea, call for a formal end to the Korean War, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SMITH of Missouri (for himself and Mr. GOTTHEIMER):

H.R. 3447. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand accessibility to certain telehealth services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. STEIL (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, and Mr. HILL):

H.R. 3448. A bill to provide for a 5-year extension of certain exemptions and reduced disclosure requirements for companies that were emerging growth companies and would continue to be emerging growth companies but for the 5-year restriction on emerging growth companies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. SUOZZI (for himself, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. BEYER, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Mr. SCHNEIDER):

H.R. 3449. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make certain adjustments to the work opportunity credit to modernize the credit and make it more effective as a hiring incentive, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TONKO (for himself, Mr. TRONE, and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 3450. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide a higher Federal matching rate for increased expenditures under Medicaid for behavioral health services (including those related to mental health and substance use), and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. TRAHAN (for herself and Ms. CASTOR of Florida):

H.R. 3451. A bill to require covered platforms to provide information about their advertising to academic researchers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. UNDERWOOD (for herself, Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio, and Mr. ZELDIN):

H.R. 3452. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to eliminate copayments by the Department of Veterans Affairs for medicines relating to preventive health services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. VELÁZQUEZ (for herself, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. CASE, and Mr. LOWENTHAL):

H.R. 3453. A bill to provide community-based nonprofit feeding and anti-hunger groups with funding to partner with small and mid-sized restaurants to expand meal access and delivery for low-income and vulnerable populations during, and through 1 year following the end of, a pandemic or public health emergency; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mrs. WAGNER:

H.R. 3454. A bill to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to implement rules simplifying the quarterly financial reporting regime; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ (for herself and Mr. ISSA):

H.R. 3455. A bill to modify the prohibition on recognition by United States courts of certain rights relating to certain marks, trade names, or commercial names; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WELCH (for himself, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. TONKO, Ms. KUSTER, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. CASTEN, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. CARSON, Mrs. HAYES, and Mr. TRONE):

H.R. 3456. A bill to make grants to support online training of residential contractors and rebates for the energy efficiency upgrades of homes and multifamily buildings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. WILSON of Florida:

H.R. 3457. A bill to reform the requirements regarding the safety and security of families living in public and federally assisted housing in high-crime areas; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. GOSAR (for himself, Mr. ROSENDALE, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. ROY, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. MAST, and Mr. WEBER of Texas):

H.J. Res. 46. A joint resolution relating to a national emergency declared by the President on March 13, 2020; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. GREEN of Tennessee:

H.J. Res. 47. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require three-fifths majorities for bills increasing taxes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. JAYAPAL (for herself, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. BUSH, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Ms. CHU, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. KILMER, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. NEWMAN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. OMAR, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. PHILLIPS, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. POCAN, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. BEYER, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. RYAN, Ms. KUSTER, and Ms. MANNING):

H.J. Res. 48. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing that the rights extended by the Constitution are the rights of natural persons only; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ (for herself, Mr. POCAN, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. BUSH, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. OMAR, Mr. CARSON, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. NEWMAN, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, and Mr. BOWMAN):

H.J. Res. 49. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed direct commercial sale to Israel of certain weaponry and munitions; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. BIGGS (for himself, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. CLOUD, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. HICE of Georgia, Mr. BROOKS, Mr. BUDD, Mr. BUCK, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. HERN, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. PERRY, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mrs. GREENE of Georgia, Mr. PALMER, Ms. MACE, Mr. MOONEY, Mr. CLINE, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. EMMER, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. GROTHMAN, and Mr. MAST):

H. Res. 417. A resolution recognizing the national debt as a threat to national security; to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CARSON (for himself, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. BANKS, Mr. MRVAN, Mr. PENCE, and Mrs. WALORSKI):

H. Res. 418. A resolution honoring the 100th anniversary of the creation of Wonder Bread in Indianapolis, Indiana; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. COOPER, Ms. CHU, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. JONES, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Mr. ESPAILLAT):

H. Res. 419. A resolution censuring Representative Andrew Clyde of Georgia; to the Committee on Ethics.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. COOPER, Ms. CHU, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. JONES, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Mr. ESPAILLAT):

H. Res. 420. A resolution censuring Representative Paul Gosar of Arizona; to the Committee on Ethics.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. COOPER, Ms. CHU, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. JONES, Ms.

KELLY of Illinois, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Mr. ESPAILLAT):

H. Res. 421. A resolution censuring Representative Jody Hice of Georgia; to the Committee on Ethics.

By Mr. FALLON:

H. Res. 422. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Israel is a crucial ally of the United States and that anti-Semitism and hostility against the State of Israel should be rejected in all forms; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida (for herself, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. CASE, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FOSTER, Mrs. HINSON, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. SHERRILL, Mr. SIRES, Mr. SOTO, Ms. TITUS, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. BERA, and Mr. CRIST):

H. Res. 423. A resolution expressing the House of Representatives' support for COVID-19 vaccinations and affirming their safety and efficacy; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GARCIA of California:

H. Res. 424. A resolution expressing support for the designation of June 1, 2021, as ''Batten Disease Awareness Day''; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. HARTZLER (for herself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. STEFANIK, and Mr. STEUBE):

H. Res. 425. A resolution supporting the designation of May as ''National Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease and Conditions Awareness Month''; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. HUDSON (for himself, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. CAWTHORN, Mr. GIBBS, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. ESTES, Mr. HARRIS, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. HERRELL, Mr. BOST, Mr. DUNN, Mr. LATTA, and Mr. MEIJER):

H. Res. 426. A resolution expressing opposition to removing sanctions with respect to the Nord Stream II pipeline; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SCHWEIKERT:

H. Res. 427. A resolution encouraging the Department of Agriculture to lead efforts, in partnerships with States, localities, universities, and various farming and ranching groups, to prepare for the disruptive transformation of the entire agriculture industry; to the Committee on Agriculture.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Ms. BONAMICI:

H.R. 3362.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article One, Section Eight—General Welfare

By Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio:

H.R. 3363.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article One, Section 8, Clauses 14 and 18 of of the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. TAYLOR:

H.R. 3364.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution:

''To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.''

By Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas:

H.R. 3365.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas:

H.R. 3366.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. TAYLOR:

H.R. 3367.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Artlcle I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States

By Mr. SAN NICOLAS:

H.R. 3368.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania:

H.R. 3369.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution in that the legislation exercises legislative powers granted to Congress by that clause ''to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers and all other Powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States or any Department or Office thereof.''

By Mr. CURTIS:

H.R. 3370.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article IV, Section 3, clause 2

Article I, Section 8, clause 1

Article I, Section 8, clause 18

By Mr. ARRINGTON:

H.R. 3371.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Section 8 of Article 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. BASS:

H.R. 3372.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 1 of the United States Constitution, providing—legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.''

By Mr. BERA:

H.R. 3373.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8: Powers of the Congress

By Mr. BROOKS:

H.R. 3374.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. BROOKS:

H.R. 3375.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD:

H.R. 3376.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the Constitution, Congress has the power to collect taxes and expend funds to provide for the general welfare of the United States. Congress may also make laws that are necessary and proper for carrying into execution their powers enumerated under Article I.

By Mrs. CAMMACK:

H.R. 3377.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1 Section 8

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 3378.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 (relating to the power of Congress to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.)

By Mr. CHABOT:

H.R. 3379.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. CICILLINE:

H.R. 3380.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1

By Mr. COHEN:

H.R. 3381.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. CONNOLLY:

H.R. 3382.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. CRIST:

H.R. 3383.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I of the United States Constitution

By Mr. CROW:

H.R. 3384.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3: The Congress shall have Power To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Mr. CROW:

H.R. 3385.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, United States Constitution.

By Ms. DELBENE:

H.R. 3386.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1 Section 8

By Ms. DELBENE:

H.R. 3387.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. FALLON:

H.R. 3388.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. GALLAGHER:

H.R. 3389.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States
By Mr. GALLAGHER:
H.R. 3390.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States
By Mr. GALLEGO:
H.R. 3391.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: ''[The Congress shall have the power . . .] To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.''
By Mr. GARBARINO:
H.R. 3392.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution.
By Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois:
H.R. 3393.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8
By Ms. GARCIA of Texas:
H.R. 3394.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.
By Mr. GOMEZ:
H.R. 3395.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the United States Constitution and Amendment XVI of the United States Constitution.
By Mr. GRIJALVA:
H.R. 3396.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.
By Mr. GRIJALVA:
H.R. 3397.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
U.S. Const. art. I, §§1 and 8.
By Mr. GRIJALVA:
H.R. 3398.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
U.S. Const. art. I, §§1 and 8.
By Mr. GROTHMAN:
H.R. 3399.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically Clause 1 (related to the general Welfare of the United States).
By Mrs. HARTZLER:
H.R. 3400.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution
By Mrs. HARTZLER:
H.R. 3401.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution
By Mrs. HAYES:
H.R. 3402.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8
By Mrs. HINSON:
H.R. 3403.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 1
Article I, Section 9, Clause 7
Article I, Section 8, Clause 18
By Mr. HUFFMAN:
H.R. 3404.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States; but all duties, imposts and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.
Article I, Section 8, Clause 3: To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes
Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof
Article I, Section 9, Clause 7: No money shall be drawn from the treasury, but in consequence of appropriations made by law; and a regular statement and account of receipts and expenditure of all public money shall be published from time to time.
By Ms. JACKSON LEE:
H.R. 3405.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8., Clauses 1, 3, and 18 of the United States Constitution.
By Mr. KAHELE:
H.R. 3406.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1
By Ms. KELLY of Illinois:
H.R. 3407.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution
By Mr. KILDEE:
H.R. 3408.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8.
By Mr. LAMB:
H.R. 3409.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.
By Mr. LAMBORN:
H.R. 3410.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.
By Mr. LAMBORN:
H.R. 3411.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.
Article I, Section 9, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution.
By Mr. LOUDERMILK:
H.R. 3412.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution.
By Mr. LUCAS:
H.R. 3413.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States.
By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:
H.R. 3414.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the explicit power of Congress to regulate commerce in and among the states, as enumerate in Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, the Commerce Clause, of the United States Constitution. Additionally, Article 1, Section 7, Clause 2 of the Constitution allows for every bill passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate and signed by the President to be codified into law; and therefore implicitly allows Congress to repeal any bill that has been passed by both chambers and signed into law by the President.
By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:
H.R. 3415.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the explicit power of Congress to regulate commerce in and among the states, as enumerate in Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, the Commerce Clause, of the United States Constitution. Additionally, Article 1, Section 7, Clause 2 of the Constitution allows for every bill passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate and signed by the President to be codified into law; and therefore implicitly allows Congress to repeal any bill that has been passed by both chambers and signed into law by the President.
By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:
H.R. 3416.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the explicit power of Congress to regulate commerce in and among the states, as enumerate in Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, the Commerce Clause, of the United States Constitution. Additionally, Article 1, Section 7, Clause 2 of the Constitution allows for every bill passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate and signed by the President to be codified into law; and therefore implicitly allows Congress to repeal any bill that has been passed by both chambers and signed into law by the President.
By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:
H.R. 3417.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the explicit power of Congress to regulate commerce in and among the states, as enumerate in Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, the Commerce Clause, of the United States Constitution. Additionally, Article 1, Section 7, Clause 2 of the Constitution allows for every bill passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate and signed by the President to be codified into law; and therefore implicitly allows Congress to repeal any bill that has been passed by both chambers and signed into law by the President.
By Ms. MACE:
H.R. 3418.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution
By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:
H.R. 3419.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution
By Mr. MCCAUL:
H.R. 3420.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 1
By Mr. MCEACHIN:
H.R. 3421.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. MCKINLEY:

H.R. 3422.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Section 8—Powers of Congress. To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. MENG:

H.R. 3423.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.

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By Ms. MENG:

H.R. 3424.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution. [Page H10170]

By Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia:

H.R. 3425.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. MOULTON:

H.R. 3426.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. MURPHY of Florida:

H.R. 3427.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, which gives Congress the power to lay and collect taxes and to regulate commerce among the several states.

By Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina:

H.R. 3428.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. NADLER:

H.R. 3429.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1; Section 8, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution, which gives Congress the power ''[t]o regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.''

By Mr. NEHLS:

H.R. 3430.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I of the US Constitution

By Mr. PAPPAS:

H.R. 3431.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution.

By Mr. PERLMUTTER:

H.R. 3432.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8

By Mr. PHILLIPS:

H.R. 3433.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Under Article I, Section 8, clause 18, Congress has the power to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. PLASKETT:

H.R. 3434.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. RODGERS of Washington:

H.R. 3435.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. ROSENDALE:

H.R. 3436.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. RUSH:

H.R. 3437.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. SABLAN:

H.R. 3438.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Under Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution.

By Ms. SÁNCHEZ:

H.R. 3439.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1 Section 8

By Mr. SCHNEIDER:

H.R. 3440.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. SCHNEIDER:

H.R. 3441.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Ms. SCHRIER:

H.R. 3442.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia:

H.R. 3443.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia:

H.R. 3444.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia:

H.R. 3445.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts, and Excises, to pay the Debts, and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

By Mr. SHERMAN:

H.R. 3446.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. SMITH of Missouri:

H.R. 3447.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution of the United States of America.

By Mr. STEIL:

H.R. 3448.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution: To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.

By Mr. SUOZZI:

H.R. 3449.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

By Mr. TONKO:

H.R. 3450.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mrs. TRAHAN:

H.R. 3451.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

[The Congress shall have Power . . .] To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. UNDERWOOD:

H.R. 3452.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Ms. VELÁZQUEZ:

H.R. 3453.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The Congress shall have Power to . . . provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States; . . .

By Mrs. WAGNER:

H.R. 3454.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ:

H.R. 3455.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, clause 3, ''to regulate Commerce with Foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes;''

Article 1, Section 8, clause 8, ''to promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Rights to their respective Writings and Discoveries,''

By Mr. WELCH:

H.R. 3456.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: The Congress shall have Power To . . . make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. WILSON of Florida:

H.R. 3457.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. GOSAR:

H.J. Res. 46.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I

By Mr. GREEN of Tennessee:

H.J. Res. 47.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article V

By Ms. JAYAPAL:

H.J. Res. 48.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I of the United States Constitution and its subsequent amendments, and further clarified and interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

By Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ:

H.J. Res. 49.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 1 of the Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 3: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. LIEU, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. CARBAJAL, and Mr. TORRES of New York.

H.R. 19: Mr. GROTHMAN.

H.R. 38: Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN.

H.R. 67: Mrs. HARTZLER and Mr. DIAZ-BALART.

H.R. 69: Mr. MOULTON and Mr. HICE of Georgia.

H.R. 160: Mr. KAHELE and Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 256: Mr. SCHNEIDER.

H.R. 310: Mrs. LESKO, Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. NORMAN, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. LOUDERMILK, and Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida.

H.R. 379: Ms. ROSS.

H.R. 421: Mr. CASE, Ms. BONAMICI, and Mr. TAKANO.

H.R. 450: Mr. GAETZ.

H.R. 547: Ms. HERRELL.

H.R. 571: Ms. LOFGREN and Ms. TLAIB.

H.R. 852: Mr. GARBARINO.

H.R. 859: Mr. BURGESS and Mrs. MILLER of Illinois.

H.R. 869: Mr. GREEN of Texas and Mr. PASCRELL.

H.R. 909: Mr. POCAN.

H.R. 1029: Mr. RICE of South Carolina.

H.R. 1115: Ms. BOURDEAUX, Mr. COOPER, Mr. BANKS, and Mr. PENCE.

H.R. 1145: Mr. ESTES.

H.R. 1176: Mr. PENCE.

H.R. 1182: Ms. PINGREE.

H.R. 1212: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut.

H.R. 1221: Mr. SARBANES.

H.R. 1225: Mr. MOULTON.

H.R. 1255: Mr. COLE and Mr. CASE.

H.R. 1283: Mr. DIAZ-BALART.

H.R. 1329: Mr. NADLER.

H.R. 1346: Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas.

H.R. 1348: Mr. AUCHINCLOSS.

H.R. 1360: Mr. LAWSON of Florida.

H.R. 1361: Mr. GROTHMAN.

H.R. 1384: Ms. SCHRIER.

H.R. 1474: Ms. PLASKETT, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. WILD, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. SEWELL, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Mr. ROGERS of Alabama.

H.R. 1496: Mr. CLYDE.

H.R. 1517: Mr. HORSFORD.

H.R. 1551: Ms. KELLY of Illinois.

H.R. 1560: Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. COHEN, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, and Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 1611: Mr. WESTERMAN.

H.R. 1624: Mr. KAHELE.

H.R. 1667: Ms. SEWELL, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. TRONE, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. BERA, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. AXNE, Ms. DELBENE, and Ms. SCHRIER.

H.R. 1684: Ms. BROWNLEY and Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 1693: Mrs. DEMINGS.

H.R. 1733: Mr. GRIFFITH.

H.R. 1735: Mr. NEGUSE.

H.R. 1745: Mr. GROTHMAN, Mrs. STEEL, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mrs. BICE of Oklahoma, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, and Ms. SPANBERGER.

H.R. 1774: Mr. KIND.

H.R. 1842: Mrs. KIRKPATRICK.

H.R. 1845: Ms. TITUS.

H.R. 1884: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 1888: Mr. KILMER and Ms. BASS.

H.R. 1909: Mr. AGUILAR.

H.R. 2014: Mr. AUCHINCLOSS.

H.R. 2046: Mr. OWENS and Mr. CLYDE.

H.R. 2060: Mr. HUFFMAN.

H.R. 2063: Mr. DUNCAN.

H.R. 2076: Mr. AMODEI.

H.R. 2085: Ms. LOFGREN and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 2090: Mr. RICE of South Carolina.

H.R. 2100: Mr. MCCAUL.

H.R. 2127: Mr. KUSTOFF, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. HERN, Mr. WESTERMAN, and Mr. GROTHMAN.

H.R. 2134: Mr. LANGEVIN.

H.R. 2141: Mr. GROTHMAN.

H.R. 2144: Ms. MANNING.

H.R. 2192: Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 2229: Ms. WEXTON.

H.R. 2244: Mr. DIAZ-BALART and Mr. TRONE.

H.R. 2295: Ms. CRAIG.

H.R. 2307: Mr. YARMUTH and Mr. POCAN.

H.R. 2318: Mr. PALMER and Mr. RICE of South Carolina.

H.R. 2350: Mr. KELLER.

H.R. 2356: Ms. KUSTER.

H.R. 2383: Ms. OMAR and Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia.

H.R. 2431: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 2434: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 2517: Mr. COHEN, Mr. SWALWELL, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. CARBAJAL, and Mr. AMODEI.

H.R. 2555: Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin.

H.R. 2565: Mr. FITZPATRICK and Mr. COLE.

H.R. 2586: Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. CASTEN, Mr. FOSTER, and Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI.

H.R. 2590: Mr. WELCH.

H.R. 2616: Mr. CORREA.

H.R. 2627: Mr. KILDEE.

H.R. 2637: Mr. MEIJER.

H.R. 2650: Mr. CARBAJAL.

H.R. 2654: Ms. CRAIG, Mr. KELLER, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. JACOBS of New York, Ms. WILD, and Mr. YOUNG.

H.R. 2698: Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. STEUBE, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. NEGUSE, and Mr. GROTHMAN.

H.R. 2705: Mr. CORREA and Mr. CLYDE.

H.R. 2718: Ms. STEFANIK.

H.R. 2763: Mr. HIMES.

H.R. 2773: Mr. KUSTOFF, Mr. LAMB, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, and Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ.

H.R. 2778: Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN.

H.R. 2816: Mr. SARBANES.

H.R. 2857: Mr. POSEY, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. MASSIE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mr. PERRY, Mr. LUCAS, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, and Mr. NADLER.

H.R. 2860: Mr. FITZPATRICK and Mr. ADERHOLT.

H.R. 2898: Mr. HAGEDORN, Ms. NEWMAN, and Mr. CASE.

H.R. 2901: Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. EVANS, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, and Mr. JACOBS of New York.

H.R. 2942: Mrs. LESKO.

H.R. 2974: Mr. PAPPAS.

H.R. 2998: Mr. POCAN and Mr. CONNOLLY.

H.R. 3042: Mr. STAUBER, Mr. DAVIDSON, and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 3053: Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, and Mr. SWALWELL.

H.R. 3065: Mr. DELGADO and Mr. NEGUSE.

H.R. 3078: Mrs. LESKO.

H.R. 3085: Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. COHEN, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. JONES, and Ms. ROSS.

H.R. 3093: Mr. PETERS, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 3099: Mr. GUEST.

H.R. 3104: Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. GUEST, and Mr. JACOBS of New York.

H.R. 3108: Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. CASE, Mr. KATKO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. POCAN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, and Mr. RUSH.

H.R. 3121: Mr. KILMER, Ms. CHU, Mrs. HAYES, and Ms. STEFANIK.

H.R. 3122: Mr. KILMER, Mr. HARDER of California, Ms. CHU, Mr. KEATING, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. STEFANIK, and Ms. WEXTON.

H.R. 3134: Mr. POSEY.

H.R. 3135: Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Ms. LEE of California, and Mr. HUFFMAN.

H.R. 3148: Mr. BARR and Mrs. HINSON.

H.R. 3172: Mr. SAN NICOLAS.

H.R. 3183: Mr. DELGADO, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. CALVERT, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. REED, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mr. SWALWELL, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, and Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 3185: Mr. TAYLOR and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 3190: Mr. BUDD.

H.R. 3193: Mr. WEBSTER of Florida and Mr. WITTMAN.

H.R. 3208: Mr. ESTES.

H.R. 3224: Ms. SEWELL, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. KAHELE, Mr. TONKO, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. DEAN, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. NEAL, Mr. SIRES, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. PORTER, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, and Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 3236: Mr. OWENS.

H.R. 3240: Ms. HERRELL.

H.R. 3249: Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida.

H.R. 3264: Mr. GARBARINO.

H.R. 3275: Mrs. GREENE of Georgia.

H.R. 3281: Mr. SESSIONS and Mr. JACOBS of New York.

H.R. 3287: Mr. RICE of South Carolina.

H.R. 3297: Mr. MCKINLEY.

H.R. 3299: Mr. SUOZZI.

H.R. 3320: Mrs. AXNE, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI, and Ms. SEWELL.

H.R. 3336: Mr. LIEU.

H.R. 3342: Mr. MOULTON, Mr. COLE, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. KILMER, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H.R. 3354: Mr. TAKANO.

H.R. 3355: Mr. BLUMENAUER and Mr. KATKO.

H.R. 3356: Mr. TURNER, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. STEWART, Mr. CRAWFORD, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. WELCH, Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. CARSON, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, and Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI.

H.J. Res. 11: Mr. ZELDIN.

H. Con. Res. 33: Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. LOUDERMILK, Mr. LAMALFA, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. DUNN, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. JACOBS of New York, Ms. SEWELL, and Mr. LUCAS.

H. Con. Res. 34: Mr. GIBBS, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, and Mr. DUNCAN.

H. Res. 114: Ms. WILSON of Florida.

H. Res. 117: Mrs. SPARTZ, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. CLINE, Mr. GROTHMAN, and Mr. OWENS.

H. Res. 121: Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida, Ms. CHU, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. RASKIN, and Mr. SARBANES.

H. Res. 186: Mr. MOULTON and Mr. KELLY of Mississippi.

H. Res. 240: Mrs. KIM of California.

H. Res. 305: Mr. COLE and Mrs. LURIA.

H. Res. 348: Mr. KIM of New Jersey and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois.

H. Res. 366: Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, and Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana.

H. Res. 368: Ms. MENG.

H. Res. 394: Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. LATTA, Mr. BUDD, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. WALTZ, and Mr. WITTMAN.

H. Res. 396: Ms. TENNEY, Mr. KATKO, Mr. CLINE, Ms. LETLOW, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. KELLER, Mr. BACON, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. HUIZENGA, Mrs. MCCLAIN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. WENSTRUP, and Mr. SMITH of Nebraska.

H. Res. 401: Mrs. HAYES.

H. Res. 402: Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PHILLIPS, and Ms. JAYAPAL.

H. Res. 408: Mr. JOYCE of Ohio and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois.

H. Res. 415: Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. BACON, Mr. GUEST, and Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN.

DELETION OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were deleted from public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 1127: Ms. ESHOO and Mr. MOULTON.

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Senate

The Senate met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable JACKY ROSEN, a Senator from the State of Nevada.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Almighty God, You store up goodness for those who have reverence for You. Give our lawmakers such reverential awe for Your purposes that they will receive the maximum You desire to give.

Lord, lavish them with Your protection and grace, blessing them as a watching nation and world look at the unfolding of Your prevailing providence. May our Senators strive to walk with integrity, staying on the path that You have chosen. Show them daily the wonders of Your unfailing love. Continue to be their help and shield as they worship and trust You.

We pray in Your Holy Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Presiding Officer led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 20, 2021.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JACKY ROSEN, a Senator from the State of Nevada, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
President pro tempore.

Ms. ROSEN thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Majority leader is recognized.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—H.R. 3233

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I understand there is a bill at the desk that is due for a second reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The leader is correct.

The clerk will read the bill by title for a second time.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3233) to establish the National Commission to Investigate the January 6 Attack on the United States Capitol Complex, and for other purposes.

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I would object to further proceedings.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Objection having been heard, the bill will be placed on the calendar.

JANUARY 6 COMMISSION

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, January 6 was only a few months ago. The memory is still fresh for all of us who experienced it firsthand.

A violent mob stormed the citadel of democracy, assaulted our Capitol police, and tried to halt the peaceful transfer of power. One hundred forty officers were injured. Five people would eventually lose their lives in connection to the attack.

I was within 20 feet of these hooligans.

It was one of the darkest moments in American democracy—the first time the Capitol was breached since the War of 1812, over 200 years ago. And yet, not 5 months later, many on the Republican side are trying to whitewash what happened.

Here is what one Senate Republican said about the attack last night: ''By and large, it was peaceful protests . . . except for a few agitators,'' he said. ''Even calling this an insurrection'' was wrong.

If there was ever a justification for creating a bipartisan Commission to study and report on the truth behind the attack of January 6, the comments of that Senator provide it.

Republicans in both Chambers are trying to rewrite history in fealty to or in fear of the former President, Donald Trump. Republicans in both Chambers are trying to erase the memory of January 6 and perpetuate the Big Lie. They are now likening the mob on January 6 to a group of ''normal tourists.'' Anyone who has seen the pictures of them breaking through the Capitol barriers knows that these weren't normal tourists.

They are calling the mob, not the police, the victims of the attack. We have dead and injured police officers, and they are calling the mob the victims?

Only a week ago, the House Republicans fired Congresswoman CHENEY for the crime of merely repeating the truth about the election. It certainly wasn't about policy. Congresswoman CHENEY voted with President Trump far more than the Member who replaced her. She was fired because she stood up to the Big Lie. It was a Thomas More moment here in 2020, and all of the shameful comments by Republicans

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reveal that a bipartisan Commission is even more necessary than it once was.

We always needed to look into it, but the fact that there is such denial, there is such lying, and there is such obeisance to Donald Trump's Big Lie and to his fundamentally dishonest personality, makes the need for the truth, for a Commission greater than it ever has been. For the sake of our democracy, it is crucial to end the poison of the Big Lie, to establish an independent and trusted record of what transpired, and to make sure an event like January 6 never, never happens again.

Yesterday, the House of Representatives passed legislation establishing just such a Commission with a strong bipartisan vote. Thirty-five Republicans joined Democrats in approving the measure, defying their leadership, who turned tail at the eleventh hour in an act of utter spinelessness.

Last night and now—just now—I began the rule XIV process that would make this legislation available for consideration on the floor of the Senate. I just moved to place the legislation for a Commission on the floor under rule XIV. It is my intention to bring the bipartisan legislation for the January 6 Commission up for a vote.

My Senate Republican colleagues must now ask themselves: Are they going to join us in pursuing the truth or are they going to cover for Donald Trump and his Big Lie? I understand the Republican leader has decided to oppose the bill. The Republican leader, who called the January 6 attack a ''disgrace,'' who said he believed there was ''no question'' Donald Trump was ''morally responsible'' for the attacks, now finds this whole endeavor unnecessary.

Of course, that wasn't always the case. In the aftermath of the Capitol attack, the Republican leader, Senator MCCONNELL, said we needed a ''serious and thorough review'' of the attacks, but very quickly the goalposts started to move. A few weeks after the attack, Republicans started complaining that the Democratic proposals for establishing a Commission were too partisan. When Democrats accepted all the changes—all the changes—requested by House Republicans, the Senate Republican leader said that his conference was undecided but ''willing to listen.'' But now, once again, the goalposts have shifted. Now the Republican leader believes we don't need a bipartisan Commission at all.

Let me be very clear to my Republican colleagues: There is no good justification for opposing the Commission. The Commission is not partisan. It will have a 50–50 split of Democrats and Republicans with subpoena powers requiring cooperation from both sides. It was negotiated on a bipartisan basis by both the chairman and the ranking member of the House Homeland Security Committee. It won the support of 35 Republicans on the House floor.

The Commission is not duplicative. The scope of the investigations into January 6 by our Senate committees is very focused. We need a dedicated bipartisan Commission to look at the whole picture. The fact that our committees can investigate didn't stop Congress from establishing a 9/11 Commission. A January 6 Commission is necessary for the same reasons that the 9/11 Commission was necessary.

The real reason it seems Republican leaders are suddenly opposed to this bipartisan Commission is they don't want to talk about the Big Lie at all. They don't even want to investigate how former President Trump instigated an attack on our democracy because he was angry about losing the 2020 election and lied to the American people about the results.

Even now, 5 months to the day after he left office, the Republican Party is still so terrified of Donald Trump that they are apparently willing to abandon the truth and the safety of our democracy on into the future.

Maybe, despite the opposition of the Republican leader—the unfortunate and sad opposition of the Republican leader—enough of my Republican colleagues will step up and join with Democrats to establish the Commission. They will get a chance to do so very soon.

U.S. INNOVATION AND COMPETITION ACT

Mr. SCHUMER. On another matter, the Senate continues to make great progress on the modified Endless Frontier Act, now called the U.S. Innovation and Competition Act. Yesterday, we considered two amendments and added one of them to the bill, a bipartisan amendment led by Senators HIRONO and TILLIS. Today, we will consider another two amendments.

As my colleagues know, the bill itself is the product of at least six Senate committees and already includes input of nearly every Member of the Senate. And, as promised, we are working in a bipartisan way, in a much more open way than the Senate used to act, to allow amendments and have debate.

This is an issue where our two parties are working together with a great deal of cooperation. Down to a Member, I believe we all want to see the United States maintain its position as the global economic leader in the 21st century. We all want to see America stay No. 1 in science and technology. It is so important for jobs, for our economic security, for our national security.

We have an extraordinary opportunity to set our country on a path to outinnovate, outproduce, and outcompete the world in the industries of the future. Let's keep working and deliver a strong bipartisan result by the end of next week.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Republican leader is recognized.

CHINA

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, we know that competition with China will shape America's security and prosperity for decades to come. That is a fact. The legislation on the floor purports to deal with this issue. It covers a huge range of topics, from economics to education, to foreign and defense policy. Earlier this week, I voted with the majority of Senators to proceed to this important debate, but as Members have noted, this bill did not come out of committee quite ready for prime time. It needs thorough floor consideration, with a robust, bipartisan amendment process.

Today, we will vote on a very important amendment that I will be proud to support. Ranking Member INHOFE and Vice Chairman SHELBY have legislation that will return the pivotal issue of the funding of our national defense to the center of the conversation about competing with China, and this is right where it belongs.

All the soft power in the world will only benefit us as long as we have the hard power to back it up. We must maintain our military edge against China and Russia. Yet, for all of this talk about competing with China, the Biden administration's budget proposal seeks to cut defense spending after inflation.

China's long-term military investments are paying dividends that really should alarm us, but Democrats want to pump the brakes on our own? Fewer resources for our own men and women in uniform? Less defense innovation? What sense does that make?

If there is truly broad bipartisan support for taking our competition with China more seriously, there ought to be big bipartisan support for the Inhofe-Shelby amendment later today.

(Mr. HICKENLOOPER assumed the Chair.)

BORDER SECURITY

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, on another matter, our Nation's southern border is still in crisis. The Biden administration still won't admit it. Much of the media would prefer not to cover it, but the facts are clear, and they are unacceptable.

A few days ago, Customs and Border Protection issued its report on the month of April. The number of encounters with illegal entrants was 3 percent

higher in April than it was in March. The crisis is still growing. Encounters with single adults on the border were 613 percent higher last month versus April of last year, when the Trump administration put emergency measures in place. Encounters with unaccompanied children were up 2,217 percent year over year. Let me say that one more time: 2,217 percent more kids, without parents, at our border on President Biden's watch.

The administration has tried to boast that the number of unaccompanied kids in the custody of the Department of Homeland Security has gone down. It has. It is because they have transferred large numbers of kids from DHS to HHS. There are now more than 19,000 children in the custody of Health and Human Services, and hundreds more are arriving every single day.

We know why all of this is happening. When Washington Democrats spent years reciting the mantra ''Abolish ICE; abolish ICE,'' people listened. When our new President spent his campaign signaling he would support a weaker border when he expressed that he supported providing government healthcare to people here illegally, people actually took note. Now the Democrats cannot get control of the crisis that they have stoked.

The Vice President—supposedly, the point person to fix illegal immigration—has yet to even visit the southern border.

Apparently, Secretary Becerra's operation at HHS has, in some instances, left migrant children stranded on buses for multiple days—exactly the kind of unacceptable mismanagement that Senate Republicans feared we might see under an HHS Secretary without relevant healthcare or management experience. Last week, HHS announced it would be taking money that was meant to replenish the Strategic National Stockpile—money to fight this pandemic and future pandemics—to help with the migrant crisis.

Well, today, the Senate will consider another amendment from the senior Senator from Wisconsin. It would stop the Biden administration from canceling contracts that are already in place to build a wall on our southern border. Perhaps our Democratic colleagues will help us begin to address the border crisis this administration has caused.

FOR THE PEOPLE ACT OF 2021

Mr. MCCONNELL. Now, Mr. President, on a completely different matter, as Democrats have pushed their massive political takeover bill, S. 1, Americans' First Amendment rights and privacy rights have been thrust into center stage. The legislation contains multiple elements that would chill Americans' exercise of free speech and let Washington bureaucrats hoard more of citizens' private information without cause. We know exactly how this could go wrong.

Remember President Obama's IRS scandal? Unelected bureaucrats treated organizations differently and subjected Americans to unequal scrutiny depending on their beliefs. Nonprofits with a whiff—just a whiff—of conservative beliefs were slow-walked and singled out for unfair treatment. Or think back to 2014. The Obama administration had to reach a settlement after a government worker leaked confidential information about a conservative group, which was in violation of Federal law. Unsurprisingly, those private details found their way to a liberal group that had plenty of ideas about what to do with them.

Courts have found that the State of California has repeatedly leaked or inappropriately released confidential information about nonprofits' donors. Last year, in remembering all of these incidents, the Treasury Department finalized action on a basic, commonsense principle: If there is no legitimate reason for the IRS to have certain information, then the IRS shouldn't collect it.

It makes sense.

The prior administration had the IRS stop the blanket collection of nonpublic information about citizens who make non—I repeat, non—tax-deductible contributions to certain organizations. Contributions to 501(c)(4) organizations are not tax deductible. The IRS doesn't need these details just for kicks and giggles, but now the Democrats' political takeover bills would roll back this step and open new fronts in the far-left war on privacy and free speech.

S. 1 would narrow the protections of the First Amendment. It would empower the Feds with new authority to track and police the speech of Americans. This is the same bill that would essentially make Washington Democrats the board of elections for every county and State in America. I guess, somehow, maybe, that wasn't enough.

Well, I have worked with my colleague from Indiana, Senator BRAUN, on legislation to nip one part of this nonsense right in the bud. Our bill would codify the rule issued by the last administration. Americans would remain free from a Federal dragnet collecting private information that it neither needs nor uses for legitimate law enforcement purposes—information that can be mishandled or, worse, used to target and harass Americans based on their views.

So I am proud to stand with Senator BRAUN, with 39 Republican cosponsors, and with citizens across America, across the political spectrum, who don't need the IRS peering into their First Amendment activities any more than is strictly necessary. I would certainly urge all of our colleagues to support our simple bill.

TRIBUTE TO KEVIN GROUT

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, on one final matter, my Senate office is losing a talented and dedicated young staffer this week. Fortunately, he has just been on loan from his home State—our home State—all along, and he is now heading back to the Bluegrass.

Kevin Grout started with me 5 years ago. This bright, sharp, and cheerful, young McConnell Scholar from the University of Louisville began as a staff assistant in the mailroom or, you might say, as sort of my ''body man.'' But in this line of work, talent attracts responsibility. Before long, Kevin had graduated to serve as the speechwriter in my personal office. In 4½ years, he has helped me craft more remarks, op-eds, and written statements than any of us could possibly count—almost all focused on issues that matter most to Kentuckians.

We are sorry to lose Kevin's talents here on the team, but Kevin and his wife Addie are taking their careers and their young son Henry and putting down roots where it all began. Washington will be sorry to see them go, but it will be Kentucky's good fortune to welcome him back.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Morning business is closed.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

ENDLESS FRONTIER ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1260, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1260) to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

Pending:

Schumer amendment No. 1502, in the nature of a substitute.

Cantwell amendment No. 1527 (to amendment No. 1502), of a perfecting nature.

AMENDMENT NOS. 1523 AND 1518

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the clerk will report the following amendments by number.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] proposes an amendment numbered 1523.

The amendment is as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 1523

(Purpose: To express the sense of the Senate and establish points of order to ensure the United States adequately funds national defense with a whole-of-government investment plan for strategic competition with the People's Republic of China)

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. POINT OF ORDER TO ENSURE UNITED STATES ADEQUATELY FUNDS NATIONAL DEFENSE.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate makes the following findings:

(1) Relative to the February 2021 Congressional Budget Office spending baseline, President Joseph R. Biden has proposed more than $6,000,000,000,000 in nondefense spending outside the annual appropriations process.

(2) President Biden's fiscal year 2022 budget request proposes to increase spending in the nondefense discretionary category by almost 20 percent while cutting the United States defense budget in real terms.

(3) This Act contains more than $100,000,000,000 of authorizations of appropriations without a single additional dollar authorized to be appropriated for the Department of Defense.

(4) The United States Armed Forces has lost $400,000,000,000 relative to inflation since 2011.

(5) The People's Liberation Army has experienced real budget growth for more than two decades, including 6.8 percent growth in 2021.

(6) A July 22, 2019, statement by Speaker of the House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi and Senator Chuck Schumer stated that ''Democrats have always insisted on parity in increases between defense and non-defense''.

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that Congress should adequately fund national defense with a whole-of-government investment plan for strategic competition with the People's Republic of China, including by adhering to the principle of parity between increases for defense and nondefense spending, which would result in significant real growth for the defense budget.

(c) POINT OF ORDER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022.—It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider—

(1) a concurrent resolution on the budget, or an amendment to, conference report on, amendment between the Houses in relation to, or a motion on a concurrent resolution on the budget, that determines and declares as the appropriate level of new discretionary budget authority for major functional category 050 (National Defense) for fiscal year 2022 an amount that is less than the total amount of the appropriate level of new discretionary budget authority determined and declared for all major functional categories other than major functional category 050 for fiscal year 2022;

(2) a bill or joint resolution reported pursuant to section 310 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 641), or an amendment to, conference report on, amendment between the Houses in relation to, or motion on such a bill or joint resolution, that appropriates amounts for 1 or more major functional categories other than major functional category 050 for fiscal year 2022 and does not appropriate amounts for major functional category 050 for fiscal year 2022 in an amount that is not less than the amount appropriated under that measure for all major functional categories other than major functional category 050 for fiscal year 2022; or

(3) a bill or joint resolution making appropriations for fiscal year 2022, or an amendment to, conference report on, amendment between the Houses in relation to, or motion on such a bill or joint resolution, that would cause the total amount of appropriations for the revised nonsecurity category for fiscal year 2022 to exceed the total amount of appropriations for the revised security category for fiscal year 2022.

(d) WAIVER AND APPEAL.—Subsection (c) may be waived or suspended in the Senate only by an affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn. An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under subsection (a).

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms ''revised nonsecurity category'' and ''revised security category'' have the meanings given those terms in section 250(c)(4) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 900(c)(4)).

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] proposes an amendment numbered 1518.

The amendment is as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 1518

(Purpose: To prohibit the cancellation of contracts for physical barriers and other border security measures for which funds already have been obligated and for which penalties will be incurred in the case of such cancellation and prohibiting the use of funds for payment of such penalties)

At the appropriate place in division D, insert the following:

SEC. 4____. PROHIBITING THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS FOR PHYSICAL BARRIERS AND OTHER BORDER SECURITY MEASURES.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Homeland Security and any other Federal official may not—

(1) cancel, invalidate, or breach any contract for the construction or improvement of any physical barrier along the United States border or for any other border security measures for which Federal funds have been obligated; or

(2) obligate the use of Federal funds to pay any penalty resulting from the cancellation of any contract described in paragraph (1).

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Republican whip.

PIPELINES AND ENERGY INDEPENDENCE

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, the recent Colonial Pipeline hack, which saw more than 15,000 gas stations run out of fuel and drove gas prices to their highest level in almost 7 years, was a timely reminder of the importance of cyber security.

In today's world, where almost everything we do has a cyber component, cyber security has to be a priority. Companies have to prioritize it to keep their systems, services, and customer information secure. State governments have to prioritize it, and the Federal Government has to prioritize it. Cyber security is a crucial part of our national defense, and it is vital that we keep security systems and data secure.

The Colonial Pipeline hack was also a timely reminder of something else, and that is the importance of maintaining our energy security via energy independence.

As Americans panicked over gas shortages from the Colonial shutdown, gas stations saw lines that harkened back to the 1970s, when conflict in the Middle East and an oil embargo resulted in serious shortages here at home.

Since then, the United States has, to a greater or lesser extent, worked to become energy independent; in other words, to make sure that we are able to rely almost entirely on North American energy sources instead of imports from overseas and to make sure that American consumers never have to question whether they will have reliable and affordable access to energy and fuel.

We have made a lot of progress on that front, but it requires continued commitment and investment. It also requires an ''all of the above'' energy policy that pursues investment in everything from oil and natural gas, to ethanol and other biofuels, to solar, wind, and hydropower. Unfortunately, Democrats are increasingly minimizing the oil and natural gas part of that equation.

I am a longtime advocate of clean energy and clean fuels, but the fact is that our economy is still going to need traditional sources of energy—namely, oil and natural gas—for a long time to come. I don't expect airplanes or freight trains to be running on electricity or solar power anytime in the near future. Fortunately, as technology has advanced, it has become easier and easier to explore for, extract, and transport oil and natural gas in an environmentally responsible way.

It is vital that we continue to develop domestic oil and gas resources so that, down the road, we don't find ourselves again relying on oil from the Middle East, Venezuela, or other unstable areas of the world. That is why it was so disappointing that one of President Biden's first actions as President was to pause new leases for oil and gas production on Federal lands and offshore.

Oil and gas production on public lands and offshore is an essential part of the U.S. domestic energy supply, accounting for 22 percent of domestic oil production and 12 percent of domestic gas production in 2019. Only a tiny percentage of public land is used for production, but the resulting oil and natural gas is significant.

Halting new oil and gas drilling could jeopardize the stability of our affordable energy supply, and it would definitely jeopardize the hundreds of thousands of American jobs that are supported by this industry, not to mention the billions of dollars of revenue that oil and gas development disburses to States and to Federal programs like the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Another early and discouraging sign of President Biden's hostility to affordable and reliable energy security came when he halted construction of the Keystone XL Pipeline on the first day of his Presidency. That one hit particularly close to home since the pipeline would have run through nine counties in South Dakota and brought economic growth to small towns like Philip and Murdo.

The Keystone XL Pipeline has to be the most studied project, literally, in the history of our Nation, probably in the history of the world, and it has been pretty conclusively demonstrated that the pipeline would provide an environmentally responsible way of

transporting oil from Canada and the Bakken oilfields in Montana and North Dakota to refineries on the gulf coast.

The Obama administration—that is right, the Obama administration—concluded that the pipeline provided the most environmentally sensitive way of transporting the oil. Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, a staunch liberal, included the pipeline in Canada's clean energy plan. On top of all that, the pipeline's owner committed to offsetting the pipeline's operations with $1.7 billion in renewable energy investment.

But none of that mattered to leftist environmentalists, who fixed on Keystone XL as a proxy for their opposition to oil. It is difficult to think of a more counterproductive crusade. Thanks to their efforts, oil that would have been transported via the pipeline will now be transported by rail or truck—more environmentally hazardous methods of travel, which, incidentally, will also produce far more emissions—emissions that will likely not be offset by a renewable energy investment.

I haven't even mentioned the cost to people's livelihoods. The cancelation of the pipeline will end up costing 11,000 American jobs, most of them those good union jobs the President keeps talking about. It also means that Americans will not see lower prices at the pump as a result of the efficiencies of the pipeline, which is particularly frustrating at a time when prices are rising. But when you are pursuing an ideological crusade, I guess all that doesn't matter.

I find it particularly fascinating—or maybe more accurately, troubling—that the President canceled the Keystone XL Pipeline and its 11,000 American jobs yet is conceding to Russia—Russia—on the construction of a Russian pipeline, Nord Stream 2, by waiving sanctions against the Russian company constructing the pipeline. Think about that. The irony. Of course, the President has more direct authority over pipelines here in the United States, but the President is taking a notably new position.

The successful construction of Nord Stream 2 will further isolate Ukraine and deny the country billions in revenue as it defends against Russian aggression, and it will make our allies more dependent on Russia's energy monopoly for their energy supplies.

The President has talked aggressively about countering Putin and Russian aggression, and his Secretary of State has talked explicitly about the importance of halting the construction of Nord Stream 2. But now, with a chance to do something about halting the construction of the pipeline, the President is taking the pressure off, even though the President himself has correctly called the pipeline ''a fundamentally bad deal'' for Europe.

It is deeply troubling that our European allies may soon be relying on Russia for an increased portion of their energy needs. Yet it is another reminder of the need to make sure that the United States is not dependent on bad actors anywhere in the world for our oil or any other energy resource.

I hope the Biden administration will end its embargo on new oil and gas leases and think about pursuing an energy policy that embraces not only environmentalists' pet energy projects but all—all—important energy sources. It is no exaggeration to say that our very national security depends on it.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Louisiana.

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I think I am like you in one respect. You know, I don't hate anybody, and I try to look for grace everywhere I can find it. I have always believed there is always something to be thankful for.

I came today to thank the Biden administration but also to ask for its help.

First, I want to thank the President for encouraging everybody to take the vaccine. I don't think anybody should be required to take the vaccine, and I am not saying President Biden does, but he and his team have been very aggressive in encouraging Americans to take the vaccine, and I think that is the proper approach.

Do you have polio, Mr. President? I know you don't. I don't either. Thank you, science. The vaccine, I think, works. And once again, we are not telling anybody they have to take it, but I wish people would stop and reflect on it and weigh the pros and the cons, and I think they will see the pros outweigh the cons. I want to thank President Biden for his efforts in that regard.

Here is my criticism: President Biden, at the worst possible time, is about to raise the insurance premiums for every flood insurance policyholder in America or almost all of them. So much for not hurting the middle class. So much for not taxing the working people.

As you know, the National Flood Insurance Program, which is administered by FEMA, began in 1968. Many people don't know this, but if we own a home and we have homeowners insurance, our homeowners insurance doesn't cover flooding. If we do want flood coverage and we call our agent and ask them to place our flood coverage with a private company, they are very difficult to find.

Almost no private companies offer flood insurance. So in 1968, the U.S. Congress decided to form the National Flood Insurance Program and have FEMA administer it. We insure, through our National Flood Insurance Program—which, once again, is the almost exclusive source of flood insurance for the American people—we insure about 5 million people. About 500,000 of those people are in my State, Louisiana, but we are not alone. I am sure we have people in Colorado. I know we have people in New Jersey and New York, in most of the coastal States and in many of the inland States, who have flood insurance.

Now, FEMA has decided to implement a new program called Risk Rating 2.0. They always come up with a fancy name when they are going to screw you. Risk Rating 2.0. If you ask FEMA about it—you say: Well, what does this do, FEMA? Well, they try not to answer your question first, and they dodge and they bob and weave, but if you pin them down and read their literature, they will say: Well, with Risk Rating 2.0, we no longer are going to assess premiums on the basis of area; we are going to look at every specific home and assess its risk and assign a premium. We are also going to consider the future of climate change, what things are going to be like 15, 20, 30 years from now.

I didn't come to debate climate change. I will save that for another day. There is a lot not to debate about. There is a lot we agree about. But this is coming from so-called experts. They are going to be able to predict things 30, 40, 50, 100 years from now, when they can't tell us if it is going to rain on Friday.

This is all a very clever way to raise everybody's premiums. As best I can tell, about 80 percent of the people in my State who have to have flood insurance are going to see their rates go up. FEMA is probably going to start by doing a little bit the first year. They are going to say: See, we told you that wasn't going to hurt. But then they are going to do it the second year and third year and fourth year and fifth year and sixth year.

Some of FEMA's minions who are advocating this say: Well, Kennedy, it is not right for the American people to be subsidizing wealthy people who have two or three homes and one of which is on the beach.

I agree with that. Those are not my people. Those are not my people. My people who have flood insurance get up every day, go to work, obey the law, pay their taxes, try to do the right thing by their kids, try to save a little money for retirement, and their biggest financial asset is their home. Through Risk Rating 2.0 or whatever clever name they call it, when they start raising premiums, a lot of my people can't afford it, and it is going to impact the value of their home. They are going to lose equity in their most valuable asset, and they are not going to be able to sell it. And you don't have to be Einstein's cousin to figure this out. FEMA knows what it is doing.

This is the most dramatic transformation and change to the National Flood Insurance Program since 1968. You would think that Congress would have something to do with it. Wrong. FEMA is doing this on their own. The first increases for new policyholders are going to take effect in October; for everybody else, in April 2022.

You go to FEMA and say: Can we talk about this?

No. Read our pamphlet.

They haven't had any public hearings. They haven't allowed the public to comment. They hired a very expensive consultant. They love expensive consultants at FEMA—the more expensive, the better; the more expensive the lawyers are, the better. They have hired a consultant to try to cover their tracks on what they are doing here. This is just a flat-out rate increase.

Insurance companies help FEMA administer the program. FEMA has told, we found out, the insurance companies: We can't tell you about the new program unless you sign a nondisclosure agreement because we don't want you to tell anybody.

I mean, President Biden's FEMA is just going to drop this on us. And it is not just Louisiana. Look, this does involve Louisiana. I mean, last year, my people, we got hit by two major storms. We got hit, like a lot of States, by an ice storm. Right now, South Louisiana, or a big portion of it, is underwater. We just got hit with between 8 and 20 inches of rain, and we have people who are flooding who are not even near a body of water.

I promise you, if you get 8 to 20 inches of rain in a short period of time, you are going to flood—I don't care if you are in the desert. I don't care if you are on Pikes Peak—you are going to flood. The water has to go somewhere.

So, yes, this impacts Louisiana, but do you know who else it impacts? New York. New Jersey. They are going to get devastated.

Chairman BROWN, the chairman of our Banking Committee, very generously held a hearing the other day on Risk Rating 2.0. We had some really smart people come and testify about it. Of course FEMA wasn't there. You can't find FEMA with a search party. You can't find FEMA with Google. They are nowhere to be found. They don't want to answer questions.

But we had a very intelligent, impressive lady from New York—I am sorry, I have forgotten her name—who testified very eloquently about how this rating increase across the board, willy-nilly, arbitrary, capricious—we don't have any input—is going to devastate New York.

I am just very disappointed, and I am asking President Biden today to pick up the telephone and call his new FEMA Director and say: Slow down. At a minimum, don't treat the American people like morons. Sit down and talk to them and explain what you are proposing to do and why you are doing it, and let them have input.

The second thing I wish the President would do is pick up the phone and call his FEMA Director and say: Would you please consult Congress and talk to Congress about it and let Congress have a little input? Because last time I checked, there are three branches of government, and this is unilateral action by one Federal Agency.

This is serious stuff. This is going to impact a lot of people. I said this before, and I don't mean to overuse it. I try to save it for really serious situations. But this is as serious as four heart attacks and a stroke, and it is going to happen out of the blue come October.

I would just like to ask President Biden to consider asking his FEMA Director to please slow down and let us think this through.

With that, I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

The Senator from Vermont.

AMENDMENT NO. 1523

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I am opposing this amendment before us. I just thought I would mention some of the pragmatic reasons for that. A mandate to offer dollar-for-dollar parity between defense and nondefense programs unless there are 60 votes to overcome the point of order is not limited to discretionary spending, which would be in the fiscal year 2022 appropriations bills, but in all Federal spending.

Let me tell you what that means. It may make people feel good, but let me tell you what it does. If you provide a dollar to the Defense Department for every dollar of nondefense spending, well, it is simply arbitrary.

These are some of the absurd results. Under this amendment, if we pass an infrastructure bill through reconciliation—and we know that in the States represented by all 100 of us, we have roads, bridges, water systems, everything else breaking down and deteriorating and has to be fixed. If we don't do it now, it is going to cost us a heck of a lot more in the future.

So let's say we have $2 trillion to rebuild our bridges, our roads, our water systems, broadband, and so on, but then we would have to automatically provide $2 trillion more for defense, nearly tripling the defense budget and spending more on defense than the rest of the world put together. And the Department of Defense says very frankly that there is no way they could spend that kind of money—unless we have 60 votes, a supermajority. Now, come on.

I will give another example. This can get really weird. Suppose a hurricane hits somewhere in the South. We have seen that happen—hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding—or you have massive fires that rage out in the West.

So as we have always come together in the past, Republicans and Democrats alike, to help those communities that have been destroyed—we are the United States of America—then let's say we provide $10 billion, which we have in the past, to help communities recover and rebuild. Well, then, even though they don't want it, we have to provide $10 billion to the Department of Defense.

And why are we spending that? Because they had a flood in Louisiana or a tornado in the Midwest or an earthquake in the West or a forest fire. Well, we have got to rebuild them, but we have got to spend an equal amount at the Department of Defense, whether they want it or not.

In another way, let's say we increase funding for veterans, which we should. Well, then, we would have to say: Well, wait a minute. The Department of Defense will have to have a dollar-for-dollar increase. I can go on and on with a whole lot of other examples.

We are going to have to obviously address the costs and the efforts that we went through here because of the riots on January 6. Do we do an equal amount for the Department of Defense if we repair the damage done to the Capitol?

Now, why don't I suggest that we do what we were taught to do, and I have seen the Senate do over the past 40-some-odd years, we actually have debate about appropriations? Have a debate about the defense level. Either vote up or down. Have a debate about nondefense spending in fiscal year 2022 and vote it up or down. Let's not start off with some arbitrary rules, which make no sense—an arbitrary rule that says we are probably going to have to hesitate to help out the communities that have been struck by a tornado because we have to spend twice as much money as it would cost to repair those communities because we have to put an equal amount into the defense budget, whether they want it or not.

Now, I can say this, as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I understand some annual increases in the Defense bill, but that should be considered as the Defense bill, just as we should consider our healthcare bills, just as we should consider infrastructure bills, education, and all those. We can easily do each part of these appropriations bills that make some sense to the American people.

In the past, many times we have been able to get bipartisan agreement. Let's do that. Let's stop playing like children or some arbitrary ''You give me this; I will give you that'' kind of rule. We are U.S. Senators. We should be above that. We should be the conscience of the Nation. There are only 100 of us. The country looks at us. We ought to respond to the country.

JANUARY 6 COMMISSION

I note that no one is seeking recognition at the moment. I just had another thing. The House of Representatives did the right thing. They passed a bipartisan vote to have an independent Commission to find out what happened on January 6—what sparked it; who was involved; how many crimes were committed; why did police officers who protect the Capitol lose their lives; why did others lose their lives; why did we have such a huge amount of damage; why did we end up spending hundreds of millions of dollars; why were the lives of Republican and Democratic

Members of Congress put at risk? Why not have, as we did after 9/11 and other major things in our country, a bipartisan committee to look at it?

That is what the House voted on last night. I am disturbed when I hear Republican leaders, both in the House and the Senate, say: We don't want to have any kind of a hearing. We don't want to know what happened. We don't want anybody to ask a question.

Well, I don't know about your State, but I can imagine you probably heard a lot of questions from the people in your State. I heard a lot of questions from Republicans and Democrats alike in my State who basically said: What in heaven's name has happened? We are the greatest country on Earth, and we are seeing our symbol of democracy with a mob of people going in. People are dying. Property is being smashed. People are posing for selfies: Hey, I am breaking the law; don't I look great? There was a gallows with a noose and with the name of the Vice President of the United States on it put outside here.

Come on. We ought to find out what happened. We were shamed throughout the world by what happened. Let's not have that happen again. Let's have a real committee. Find out what happened and who was responsible and see what steps we take not to have that happen again.

I am proud of the U.S. Capitol. I have had the opportunity to serve here for decades. I remember coming through this body as a teenager with my parents and being awed by it. I looked at the Brumidi paintings with my Italian-American mother and the pride she felt looking at that. I looked at other things with my Irish-American father and the pride he had in the history. All of us did. I have taken Vermonters from both parties through here, enjoyed pointing it out, and everybody feeling the sense of history.

So what do we see now? A locked-down Capitol because of the insurrection. And we don't want to actually ask questions? What is this? What is this? Why don't we all just cower under our desks?

Well, we can't ask a question. I am going to hide down here. I see nothing. Oh, come on now. The American people saw plenty. Let's have that committee. Let's have that Commission. Let's find out what happened and make sure, for God's sake, it never happens again.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Alabama.

S. 1260

Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, global hegemony is a Chinese Communist Party's ultimate aim—we all know that—and they have grown increasingly brazen in their power plays designed to seize that.

The bill before the Senate purports to counter Chinese ambition and aggression by accelerating, among other things, American investment in critical technologies, but I believe such investment will fail to meet the objective if we shortchange America's military. Unfortunately, that is just what President Biden plans to do.

Yes, amid all the tough talk about China, President Biden proposes increasing domestic spending by nearly 20 percent while holding defense spending basically flat. And that is on top of several trillion more he has proposed in off-budget spending to supercharge the far-left agenda here at home.

Meanwhile, China is headed in the opposite direction, increasing the budget for the People's Liberation Army by nearly 7 percent this year.

Don't think for a moment they aren't taking note of President Biden's plans and sensing weakness and opportunity here because they are. The Chinese Communist Party and the Chinese leadership, which is the same, understands and heeds only one thing: strength and power.

A respected and feared American military, I believe, is the bulwark against the rise of China and the power of China. That is why we must not shortchange defense spending—not now, not ever. And that is why I am pleased to join my Republican colleagues in offering this amendment to ensure parity between increases in defense and domestic spending.

I encourage my colleagues on the other side to join us here in putting America's security first. Projecting real strength to counter Chinese ambition and aggression should be a bipartisan objective. We will see if it is.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oklahoma.

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, China is a 360-degree threat. They are competing with us in every area—economics, technology, military, diplomacy, information warfare. You know, we operated for the better part of a decade under the idea that we should have parity in defense and nondefense increases. I mean, this is a bipartisan thing. This is Democrats and Republicans alike. We did this every year for—every 2 years as we did the Budget Control Act, and that was an agreement until all of a sudden, somehow, we are changing from that.

So what Senator SHELBY's and my amendment does is very simple. It says that for every dollar that we increase nondefense spending, we have the same amount of money that is going to increase defense spending. I talked about this yesterday at some length.

How can you justify changing that policy when the greatest threat that we are facing right now is China? You know, they are competing in every area, and to leave that out conspicuously is not reasonable at all. So I think that the—I remember that the majority leader and the Speaker of the House back in 2019 said: ''Democrats have always insisted on parity in increases between defense and non-defense.''

So why would they change now? And I don't think that they will change now. So, again, I am unsure people understand what this is all about. This is a very simple thing. It says that—our amendment says that for every dollar we increase nondefense spending, we also increase defense spending by the same amount. It is called parity. We have lived with this right now for 8 years. We have been in agreement, and somehow this has changed, as if the threat that we are facing right now with economics, technology, diplomacy, information warfare are more important than military. Military is the No. 1 threat.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Mississippi.

Mr. WICKER. Mr. President, I want to commend the distinguished Senator from Oklahoma and the distinguished senior Senator from Alabama for this amendment. And it seems to me that this is a national security amendment that should get support on both sides of the aisle because the Senator from Oklahoma is absolutely correct. It has had bipartisan support in the past. And particularly at this moment, when we are talking about a bill to compete with China, we need to acknowledge that we will compete with China both in the R&D sphere, as this bill discusses, but also in terms of military might.

And it disturbs me, and I know it is of concern to my friends on the other side of the aisle, that the Biden administration just this week announced that they would cut four ships from the most recent shipbuilding plan, which was established by our military experts, by the admirals and generals who told us what we need. To cut four ships from the shipbuilding plan, I think, would send exactly the opposite signal to China that we are trying to send through this bill. And I know I have friends on the other side of the aisle, as well as on this side of the aisle, who have signed the SHIPYARD Act, which makes the statement, on a bipartisan basis, that we need to be preparing our Navy for competition in the Pacific that will come from China, and I think it is a way to preserve peace in the Asia-Pacific region by having parity there.

So for that particular reason, on this particular week, this is a most timely and appropriate amendment, and I do hope we can get bipartisan support.

I yield the floor.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 1523

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the question occurs on agreeing to the Inhofe-Shelby amendment No. 1523.

Mr. INHOFE. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM), the

Senator from Kansas (Mr. MARSHALL), and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MARSHALL) would have voted ''yea''.

The result was announced—yeas 44, nays 53, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 198 Leg.]

YEAS—44

Barrasso	Ernst	Romney
Blackburn	Fischer	Rounds
Blunt	Hagerty	Rubio
Boozman	Hawley	Sasse
Braun	Hoeven	Scott (FL)
Burr	Hyde-Smith	Scott (SC)
Capito	Inhofe	Shelby
Cassidy	Johnson	Sullivan
Collins	Kennedy	Thune
Cornyn	Lankford	Tillis
Cotton	Lummis	Toomey
Cramer	McConnell	Tuberville
Crapo	Moran	Wicker
Cruz	Portman	Young
Daines	Risch	

NAYS—53

Baldwin	Hickenlooper	Peters
Bennet	Hirono	Reed
Blumenthal	Kaine	Rosen
Booker	Kelly	Sanders
Brown	King	Schatz
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Schumer
Cardin	Leahy	Shaheen
Carper	Lee	Sinema
Casey	Luján	Smith
Coons	Manchin	Stabenow
Cortez Masto	Markey	Tester
Duckworth	Menendez	Van Hollen
Durbin	Merkley	Warner
Feinstein	Murphy	Warnock
Gillibrand	Murray	Warren
Grassley	Ossoff	Whitehouse
Hassan	Padilla	Wyden
Heinrich	Paul	

NOT VOTING—3

Graham	Marshall	Murkowski

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SCHATZ). On this vote, the yeas are 44, the nays are 53.

Under the previous order requiring 60 votes for the adoption of this amendment, it is not agreed to.

The amendment (No. 1523) was rejected.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Iowa.

(The remarks of Mr. GRASSLEY pertaining to the introduction of S. 1724 are printed in today's RECORD under ''Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.'')

Mr. GRASSLEY. I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. KING). Without objection, it is so ordered.

AMENDMENT NO. 1518

Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, there was a time—and it really wasn't all that long ago—when securing the border had bipartisan support. It was actually a bipartisan goal—now, I think that made a lot of sense—but it is not now.

It also wasn't all that long ago that, in 2006, Congress passed something called the Secure Fence Act of 2006. What that piece of legislation did was to authorize 700 miles of what was supposed to be double-layered fencing. In the end, only 36 miles of actual double-layered fencing was constructed. Another 613 miles that consisted of about 299 miles of vehicle fencing—in other words, people could just walk right through it—and another 314 miles of single-layered pedestrian barrier fencing were actually built. I think we have seen that unfortunately the fencing did not fulfill the requirements of the Secure Fence Act of 2006, and it also didn't work.

What is interesting to know about the passage of the Secure Fence Act is that it passed overwhelmingly in this Chamber by a vote of 80 to 19. There were 26 Democratic Senators who joined 54 Republicans in voting yes. It also passed the House by a pretty overwhelming margin as well—283 to 138—with 64 Democrats joining the Republicans. So the total count in Congress was 363 votes to build a fence and secure the border versus 157 people who, apparently, didn't have an interest. In other words, 70 percent of the Members of Congress who voted on the Secure Fence Act, who voted for border security, voted yes. Again, that was with the support of 90 Democrats.

By the way, some pretty notable Democrats voted to secure the border by building 700 miles of double-layered fence, including those who are current President Biden; former President Barack Obama; the current majority leader of the Senate, Senator SCHUMER; former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton; my chairman and ranking member of Homeland Security, Senator TOM CARPER; the chairwoman of the Judiciary in the past, Senator FEINSTEIN; the current chairman of the Finance Committee, Senator WYDEN. At the time, the Senator from Ohio, Mr. Brown, was a Member of the House, and he voted for it in the House. Again, that was only 14, 15 years ago when securing the border was actually a bipartisan goal.

What happened? Why isn't that the case now? Why has securing the border become a partisan issue?

Well, politics happened.

I wasn't here between 2006 and 2011, but I know there were multiple good-faith efforts to pass an immigration bill. They often referred to it as ''comprehensive immigration reform.'' I remember, when I got here, that this effort was still going on, and we actually passed, in this body, a comprehensive immigration bill. I remember talking to Senator McCain, who was one of the leading proponents. I did suggest that I would stop using the word ''comprehensive'' and that I didn't think we did a very good job with things comprehensively here and that we ought to take a step-by-step approach. Senator McCain was not really happy with my comment, but I made it anyway. I still think, quite honestly, that the test of time has probably proven me right.

Bipartisanship pretty well ended the efforts when that effort failed in the House. It didn't move it any further. We had a split Chamber. So the Obama administration got impatient. I understand the frustration. I certainly want to fix the problem. I want to take care of—now they are probably adults—those who came here as children through no fault of their own, the DACA kids. I think most Members of the Chamber want to do that, but you have to do it in a legal way, and you have to do it in a step-by-step approach, starting with securing our border.

I will talk about that a little bit further, but let me just talk about what the effect the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals had.

It is pretty obvious, by this chart, that you can see this goes back to 2007. The red bar is just talking about unaccompanied children apprehended at the southwest border. You can see, through 2011, that, at most, we had a little over 4,000 unaccompanied children coming across the border illegally and being apprehended. Then, obviously, as Americans, we have to take care of them because we are compassionate.

In June of 2012, the Obama administration issued the DACA memorandum. The result was almost immediate. It was a magnet. It was a pull factor. It was used by the coyotes in Central America. They would tell people who would want to come to America—and let's face it. Who wouldn't want to be in America? I am highly sympathetic with the people who want to come to America and take advantage of this land of opportunities. The coyotes would tell the migrants down in Central America: They changed their laws. Come with us. We will take you up to the border. We will get you across the border, and then you will get a slip, called a permiso, which is really a notice to appear.

So they came. They came in such quantities that, in 2014, more than 51,000 unaccompanied children flooded our border, and President Obama rightly declared it a humanitarian crisis, and it was. That humanitarian crisis, at that point in time, entailed about 2,000 people coming and being apprehended at the border—2,000. You can see the result. There were some ups and downs.

Quite honestly, what ended up happening is the Obama administration started to detain families, for example. They put in a consequence, and it actually had an impact. I can show you this a little bit better on this chart that really just shows cause and effect. This chart picks up in 2012 with the passage of DACA. You can see that President Obama, in 2014, declared it a humanitarian crisis. That is, by the way, when they built that McAllen facility to which we went down as bipartisan Members of the Senate and sung CBC's praises for trying to deal with this crisis in such a humane fashion. Four and five years later, we have the same facility with the same conditions and a bigger crisis, but now that facility is

being referred to as keeping kids in cages.

You can see what ended up happening here. President Obama actually had a family detention policy that kept the families together, but then a court reinterpreted the Flores decision. It interpreted unaccompanied children within the Flores decision, in terms of how you treated children and how you had to hand them over to HHS in a short period of time, and applied that to accompanied children.

So now a tough decision had to be made: Do we actually separate the children so they can be handed over to HHS while we detain the parents who came here illegally?

The decision those in the Obama administration made—and I really can't blame them—was to keep the families together. What I blame them for is they dispersed them into America—most of them never to have an immigration hearing. When you don't have a hearing, you can't have your asylum claim adjudicated properly. We know that a very high percentage of the asylum seekers here do not qualify for asylum. Even as generous as our policies are, they still don't qualify. Of the claims that are adjudicated, the people come here, and they stay. Then they communicate with other people in Central America, and it feeds upon itself.

It takes a while. It takes a few years. It took until 2018, 2019 that the word really got out. When Donald Trump was elected President, he was dedicated to securing the border, and we were going to fix this problem. You could tell immigration really dropped off following his election. People really felt that he was serious about it. By the way, he was, but he had no cooperation either by Congress or the courts of enforcing our laws and securing our borders. So word got out over a couple of years, and we had an explosion of illegal immigration primarily fueled this time by families.

President Trump—again, with no help from Congress and no help from the courts—fixed the problem. You may agree or disagree with the Migrant Protection Protocols Program, otherwise known as ''return to Mexico,'' but there was a consequence. Because of that consequence, combined with the fact that we also made agreements with Mexico and Central America, people stopped coming. We had pretty well stopped the flow. We had reduced dramatically the flow of unaccompanied children and family members coming to the border. We pretty well had had this problem solved before COVID hit. Throw on COVID and the invocation of title 42, and we really had this problem solved until the Presidential debates, and you had all Democratic Presidential candidates say they were going to stop deportations and offer free healthcare.

You can see the number of adults. By the way, we have a colored chart. Gold is single adults. Blue is family units. Red is children.

So we had this enormous crisis, first of all, surging that began with single adults. Then, of course, on his first day in office, President Biden dismantled the Migrant Protection Program. He ended those agreements. He made good on his promise to end deportations until the court said he couldn't do that, but the word was out. The crisis came back with a vengeance. In the last 2 months, there have been, on an average basis—daily—almost 6,000 people per day being apprehended at the border.

This crisis is out of control, but this crisis is also manmade. It is a manmade crisis by President Biden's policies.

Last week we had a hearing with Secretary Mayorkas, Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security. It was actually surreal. First of all, they blamed this on President Trump, said this was an inherited crisis. No, it wasn't. It is the Democratic Presidential candidates who started the spike of single adults. It was President Biden's dismantling of President Trump's successful policies that sparked and was the catalyst for the renewed crisis of family units and unaccompanied children coming here illegally to exploit our very generous asylum laws.

So it was surreal to listen to the Secretary and, quite honestly, the chairman of our committee talking about that this was an inherited crisis but that things were improving. But the only reason they could claim things were improving is—and Secretary Mayorkas said this repeatedly—they are getting more efficient. ''We are getting more efficient''—not at solving the problem; at processing and dispersing the illegal immigrants coming into this country. Guess what that is going to do. It is just going to cause more to come.

This crisis isn't going to end anytime soon until we return to having consequences and we actually have the goal of reducing or stopping the flow, and that is not happening right now.

I was disappointed. Under my chairmanship, we almost always had a second round of questions, but we were denied that. I am sure there were time constraints. But in a second round of questions, this is what I wanted to ask Secretary Mayorkas. I wanted to ask him whether he was aware that human traffickers sell children to adults so they can exploit our asylum laws by posing as a family unit.

Understand, these policies that are being instituted to be more humane do the exact opposite. It leads to all kinds of human degradations, all kinds of inhumanity. I knew it full well. We held hearings on this in 2018. Vice President Harris had to know as well; she was on my committee.

I wanted to ask Secretary Mayorkas whether he was aware that we heard testimony during my chairmanship that a child was sold for $84.

I wanted to ask him whether he is aware that children are recycled, that they are sent back over the border to be used by another adult to pose as a family unit and exploit our asylum laws.

I wanted to ask, are they verifying that a child actually belongs to an adult? Are they doing DNA tests? If so, what percentage of those are actual family units?

I wanted to know whether he was aware of the fact that human traffickers throw children out of rafts when they are interdicted by law enforcement.

I don't have the picture here. I honestly wouldn't even want to show it. I showed it in our committee hearing 3 or 4 years ago. It was hard enough showing it at that point in time. It was a father and his 2-year-old daughter who drowned in the Rio Grande.

I went down to the border with 18 of my Republican Senate colleagues. We saw a dead body floating in the Rio Grande the day after a 9-year-old girl drowned in the Rio Grande. I wanted to know whether Secretary Mayorkas, whether President Biden, whether Vice President Harris was aware of this.

I wanted to know whether the Secretary was aware of the fact that migrant girls are given birth control because they know that such a large percentage will be raped during the dangerous journey when they are put in the hands of these human traffickers.

I wanted to know whether the Secretary is aware of the kidnappings and the beatings, the abuse, the additional ransoms demanded by human traffickers.

I wanted to know whether he knows how much the human traffickers charge for their human prey and whether he is knowledgeable of how that debt is paid off. You realize the border is almost 100 percent secure on the Mexican side of the border. Nobody crosses into America without either paying the human traffickers or being indebted to them. I wanted to know whether the Secretary knew how they pay off those debts.

I wanted to know whether he knew how many young girls are forced into the sex trade and how many young men are forced into involuntary servitude, used to traffic drugs, or become part of gangs.

I wanted to know whether the Secretary—I would like to know whether the chairman of our committee is aware of the fact that President Biden's policies created this crisis, and they are facilitating the multibillion-dollar business model of probably some of the most evil people on the planet.

I wanted to know, but I didn't get a chance to ask those questions.

Beyond the human toll, beyond the human tragedy, from a standpoint of legislation, what is the real tragedy is that we were so close to taking that first step, that necessary step of making America confident that we are taking border security seriously, that we will secure our border, because until we do that, we really can't move on. Without creating greater incentives, we

can't move on to fix the problem of DACA; we can't set up a legal immigration system that works best for everyone.

You know, it is not good for Central America. I have been there. I have talked to their Presidents. They ask us to fix their laws. It is not good that their countries are being depleted of the people they need to rebuild their economies. It is not good for them. It is not good for us. It is certainly not good for the migrants who are put in the hands of the most evil people on the planet and left to their tender mercies.

We were so close. President Trump had stopped the flow, largely, of unaccompanied children, of family units, and he was doing the final step, which was complete the wall. Walls work.

Take a look at what happened here after January 6—double layers of fencing, concertina wire tipped. We obviously thought they worked here for us in Congress; they will work at the border as well.

What my amendment would do is simply complete the wall that President Trump started. He wanted to build 800 miles; he built 450. Two hundred and fifty miles of that wall has already been contracted for. It will be paid for whether it is built or not. About 100 miles wasn't contracted.

So, American taxpayer, you need to understand this: You will be on the hook for a couple billion dollars, you know, tens of thousands of tons of steel that has already been produced. All that waste—all that waste, and we won't even get the 250 miles of wall. Isn't that absurd? Isn't that ridiculous? All because securing the border has become a partisan issue, when it was not a partisan issue in 2006.

So my amendment, amendment 1518, is really pretty simple, just two pages. It is very common sense. It just says: Complete the wall that we have already contracted for, that we are going to have to pay for whether we build it or not.

Now, in a rational Senate in reasonable times, this ought to pass 100 to 0. I fear this is going to be decided strictly on party lines, and that is a real shame.

If there is one thing that we ought to be bipartisan about, it is about national security, it is about securing our homeland, and part and parcel of securing our homeland is having a secure border. One element of that, in addition to instituting consequences, like the Migrant Protection Protocol, like something I proposed with the Senator from Arizona, Senator SINEMA, Operation Safe Return, there has to be a consequence to reduce or stop this flow.

But we also need barriers. Technology alone is not going to work. We can't hire enough Border Patrol agents. They are already being dispirited. We are going to have a hard time hiring enough people just to come up to the quota levels we want to hire. We can't do it with personnel. We can't do technology. We need the fence. We bought and paid for it; let's construct it.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 117.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 117, Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Charles E. Schumer, Patty Murray, Alex Padilla, Sheldon Whitehouse, Jeff Merkley, Jack Reed, Debbie Stabenow, Benjamin L. Cardin, Patrick J. Leahy, Elizabeth Warren, Jacky Rosen, Richard Blumenthal, Tina Smith, John W. Hickenlooper, Michael F. Bennet, Tim Kaine, Brian Schatz.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 124.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Kristen M. Clarke, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 124, Kristen M. Clarke, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Charles E. Schumer, Patty Murray, Alex Padilla, Sheldon Whitehouse, Jeff Merkley, Jack Reed, Debbie Stabenow, Benjamin L. Cardin, Patrick J. Leahy, Elizabeth Warren, Jacky Rosen, Richard Blumenthal, Tina Smith, John W. Hickenlooper, Michael F. Bennet, Tim Kaine, Brian Schatz.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum calls for the cloture motions filed today, May 20, be waived.

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

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

ENDLESS FRONTIER ACT

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate resume legislative session.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Michigan.

AMENDMENT NO. 1518

Mr. PETERS. Mr. President, I rise to speak in opposition to the Johnson amendment.

The amendment would force the continued payment of government contractors to build an ill-conceived border wall.

Most of these funds were never intended for this purpose. More than $10 billion was redirected from the Department of Defense. These funds were intended for military missions and functions, such as schools for military families and National Guard equipment.

The Biden administration is conducting a comprehensive review of these contracts, led by the Departments of Defense and Homeland Security. These decisions will be guided by what is best for our national security, not well-connected government contractors profiting off of hard-earned taxpayer dollars.

We need to move forward with smart, bipartisan investments to improve border security that secure both our southern and our northern borders, not look backwards at the former administration's boondoggle.

I urge a ''no'' vote.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Wisconsin.

Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I ask for a minute to respond.

First of all, let me reiterate—the dollars will be spent regardless. The dollars would be completely wasted and no wall whatsoever. Of course, this reconsideration of their policies—we can already see the disastrous consequences of what they have already done. God help us in terms of what the results will be of future policies as well.

So, again, I ask that my amendment be considered.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 1518

I ask support for it, and I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) is necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. Marshall), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN), and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MARSHALL) would have voted ''yea.''

The result was announced—yeas 46, nays 48, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 199 Leg.]

YEAS—46

Barrasso	Grassley	Romney
Blackburn	Hagerty	Rounds
Blunt	Hawley	Rubio
Boozman	Hoeven	Sasse
Braun	Hyde-Smith	Scott (FL)
Burr	Inhofe	Scott (SC)
Capito	Johnson	Shelby
Collins	Kennedy	Sullivan
Cornyn	Lankford	Thune
Cotton	Lee	Tillis
Cramer	Lummis	Toomey
Crapo	Manchin	Tuberville
Cruz	McConnell	Wicker
Daines	Paul	Young
Ernst	Portman	
Fischer	Risch	

NAYS—48

Baldwin	Heinrich	Reed
Bennet	Hickenlooper	Rosen
Blumenthal	Hirono	Sanders
Booker	Kaine	Schatz
Brown	Kelly	Schumer
Cantwell	King	Shaheen
Cardin	Klobuchar	Sinema
Carper	Leahy	Smith
Casey	Luján	Stabenow
Coons	Menendez	Tester
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Van Hollen
Duckworth	Murphy	Warner
Durbin	Murray	Warnock
Feinstein	Ossoff	Warren
Gillibrand	Padilla	Whitehouse
Hassan	Peters	Wyden

NOT VOTING—6

Cassidy	Markey	Moran
Graham	Marshall	Murkowski

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. VAN HOLLEN). On this vote, the yeas are 46, the nays are 48.

Under the previous order requiring 60 votes for the adoption of this amendment, the amendment is not agreed to.

The amendment (No. 1518) was rejected.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Washington.

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Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, I come to the floor today to continue our discussion about the Endless Frontier Act and why America needs to make more investment in the areas of research and development for our Nation. This is critically important as we have gone through this debate with some of our colleagues, to talk about why this is important for the United States. I spent my time yesterday—maybe somebody from the staff can come over and help me with the charts but, thank you—the biggest reason we are doing this is because we believe in American know-how, that is we believe in American ingenuity and we believe in American know-how and we have discussed already how that has helped to build our country over and over and over again, that we are a nation of, if you will, explorers, of pioneers, and by necessity, inventors, and that has continued throughout the history of our country.

So we are so proud to continue to make these investments in all areas of science, certainly in the areas of healthcare, but we are more specifically talking about the engineers of the physical science and engineering. And we are talking about why we should make an increase in both basic research with this underlying bill that continues to drive dollars into curiosity driven early stage research, so that we can continue to grow jobs and help our economy, and it also continues the effort by saying we should make more investments in STEM education, so the workforce that it will take for us to meet the job challenges of the future. So we are excited that we are there with American know-how, but we are also cognizant of this international debate that is going on, the debate about other countries and what they are investing in research and development. And one of the reasons why I like where we are in the United States is because our research and development ecosystem is really an ecosystem of many different agencies doing research and development.

And not only are those research and development investments by these various agencies helping in particular areas—because it is really distributed as this chart shows, the United States works with the private sector, it works with our public universities, and it works with various agencies. Instead of a centralized approach that you might find in other countries, the fact that we have this distributed ecosystem with, you know, the Department of Energy may collaborate with the Department of Agriculture, they may collaborate with the Department of Defense, NSF may collaborate with universities, universities may collaborate with the private sector—it is an ecosystem, and that ecosystem is what is unique about research and development in the United States. It is not hierarchical, it is not the majority driven by the private sector, or by government, it is an ecosystem, and the fact that it is so distributed. That means, almost like the competition in various places, and the collaboration is helping us grow the innovation economy.

So the one thing that we need to be cognizant of in this debate is that we want to preserve that. We want to preserve the uniqueness of our ecosystem. And that is why we are really talking today about this NSF, the National Science Foundation, principally, and you can see from this big pie we just had this debate, right, we had this debate, well, let's increase the defense R&D—well, we are already doing a lot in defense R&D, of course, our colleagues are talking about the budget overall as it related to defense, but you can see that NSF, the numbers that they are at today at 6.8 are not really at the—you know, you might think this whole debate we are spending, you know, billions of dollars to change the focus. This agency is a powerhouse, and it is a powerhouse mostly connected with universities, and the R&D that is done there has been in the basic research area.

But now, this bill by our colleagues Senators SCHUMER and YOUNG is about taking the basic research, continuing that, making a little bit of investment in that basic research, but then also now trying to accelerate all the research that we now have at our hands, our fingertips, at our minds, and saying, What other user-based research can we take, that basic and applied research, and actually put it into use in commercialization in the United States?

So if you will, capitalizing on a faster tech transfer and a faster deployment of these technologies—why is this so important? Well, it is important because, in the information age, a lot of people can read our published research and development, they can read what we are doing, and they can continue their research and development. Other nations are figuring out that research and development in an information age economy really does matter. They are figuring out that the United States has come a long way as a nation in building job growth, maintaining competitiveness, national security issues, all because we at the Federal Government level have said we believe in research and development with the public taxpayer dollars and it has benefited, whether it is the internet or the bio sciences and healthcare or on national security, the American public gets that that research has made us competitive as a nation.

So we have had two previous attempts to make investments in this issue in America COMPETES, first started in the Bush administration in

2006 when President Bush published a report about America's competitiveness and proposed this concept of that small NSF budget that I was referring to, and articulated that we needed to double that budget within a 5-year or 7-year window of time. They felt that, with the level of change and transformation and innovation, that we wouldn't be keeping pace on a global basis unless we made that investment.

So in 2007 we passed the America COMPETES Act which gave money both to NSF and to DOE, and literally the first 3 years, we thought we were going to double this DOE budget and an investment in DOE within 7 years. So there was a little good news, a lot of euphoria in R&D, a lot of hope for STEM education, science, technology, engineering, and math. And then, in America COMPETES, the same request basically of a 60/40 split between NSF and energy, people thought we would end up—well, we are not on pace, where we want to be, but, oh, we will get there within 11 years. Well, we will put enough money into this innovation effort that we will double our research and innovation budget as it relates to NSF and our energy innovation efforts in 11 years.

Well, this is what really happened. We didn't do either of those things. We are really on a track to have taken those 2007 numbers and double them in 22 years. So when you look back at the history and you say, Well, how did we—what happened? If we are so enthusiastic about this, if we identify this—both a Republican President identified this and then a Democratic administration followed up, why didn't we execute on this? Why didn't we execute on this doubling of this number and making this investment?

Well, we all know what happened, we basically hit a recession. And in a recession of 2009 and 2010, we just didn't live up to this obligation of funding the research and development that was in America COMPETES to the aggressiveness that we had all hoped for. I am not sure everybody even realizes that this effort fell short, that we didn't make quite the level of investment that we wanted, that we were falling behind. I don't think anybody really understood it until now, when people see the incredible level of international competition. All of a sudden, as we see this incredible investment from the international community, people are starting to say, Well wait, what have we done on this effort?

So our next chart shows the fact that the United States has been a leader in global research and development, and as I said, I mentioned on the floor a report that was done by the Pew Charitable Trust—I mean the Pew Research Center, that basically said 7 in 10 Americans believe in public investment in research and development. We have a higher regard for this than other nations, and we just do, I think, because people get it here, I think they get that we have invented a lot of things, they believe in that innovation, they know it creates jobs. And so we have a higher regard for that, and consequently, we have been the leader in world R&D for a very, very long time. But as this Information age has come along, other nations get that R&D leads to job creation, transformation, and certainly to security. So just since 1991, we have seen China who was ninth in R&D—now, they are No. 2, and I am pretty sure, at current trajectories, will end up being No. 1 sometime very, very soon.

And so it is, you know, not everything about China, although many of my colleagues here are going to discuss this is a China bill, I view it as a bill about the future and making the investments in the future to capture the economic opportunities. There are security issues here, clearly national security issues here. There are clearly issues about a supply chain and whether you can depend on a supply chain and whether, if you have a concentration of an industry in one region of the world, then are you really dependent on that one region of the world for that particular product?

What happened to all of us in the last year and a half—and I am saying now on a global basis—is the world community realized with COVID, well, wait, supply chains really matter, product really matters, where we get product in an emergency really matters, whether it does what it says it does in an emergency really matters. And so all of these issues about supply chains and who is building what and the intricacies of it really got ripped open in the COVID debate, and now, we are really, as the world community starts to look at this too, where do we get our product, who is making it, is it made to the standard that we want, is it secure? And obviously, you know, people have made lots of decisions about supply chain based on just pure cost and effectiveness of a product, but now, people are starting to realize that it is way more complex, and it has led us to this current debate.

So again, why do we do this, why does America want to make an investment in an innovation economy? Well, we don't have to go too far to understand that from our past history. It enables competitiveness, and if you just think about, you know these sectors–I will never forget years ago we had somebody—this was in the '80s, visit Seattle, and they said, Well, what is everybody going to do, make car phones and computers? And in reality, there was a big decade or so of making what then was supposed to be great technology of a car phone, and obviously, we all know where we have now been with computers and operating systems and how much it drives the economy of the future, but at the time when we were seeing a transformation to that, people just thought, Well, what are we all going to do? Is that what we are going to do? Well, telecommunication, semiconductors, advanced materials, all were huge things that enabled this competitiveness of our Nation–in automobiles, in aviation, in the tech sector, in healthcare, in a whole variety of things. And it drives our economy with this level of innovation.

The internet, just one example, is something we started working on in the '60s, became a reality in the '90s, and today, it is $2.3 trillion part of our national economy, and 12 percent of U.S. GDP. That is what we got out of previous research. That is what we got out of saying we are going to let scientists do basic research and figure out what they think are the most important advances moving forward. The job growth, millions of jobs, and national security today, we can see just from this past week in a pipeline that was affected by a cyber attack, we cannot afford to take our foot off of national security research and development in the purposes of things like cyber security.

We have to continue to be a leader in this area of technology. It is not as if you are not going to have intimidation of our Nation by somebody maybe sticking the nose of a foreign sub in U.S. waters or flying a spy plane over the United States, it is going to come in the form of intimidation of our banking system, or pipelines, or other senses of security and hacking. And so there is no doubt—no doubt—we need to stay on top of the level of investment in national security. I would say the underlying bill that we will be talking about next week in detail relates to a very important aspect of national security, and that is the area of semiconductors. We need to make an investment in our competitiveness in semiconductors, and we need to make that investment because it is going to be critical to our national security.

So let me talk about a few things that are in the bill, just so people understand some of the priorities that Majority Leader SCHUMER and Senator YOUNG came up with as it relates to this legislation. As I mentioned, it creates a new Tech Directorate in the office of NSF, the National Science Foundation, so that it will be like a DARPA system, that is, that they work with the private sector, they create technology centers, they build partnerships between government and academia, they support rapid technology demonstration, they advance the competitiveness of the United States in important fields like artificial intelligence quantum computing, biotechnology, and they focus on these ideas, similar to how DARPA has done, where the individuals involved are critical to the effort, that is to say, to get the best and brightest minds who are working in these areas to be part of this effort and concentration.

We also looked at and improved in this legislation the fact that universities and academia provide a lot of research and development, but oftentimes, don't even—in the academia world, people are focused on publishing. Publishing their research, that

is kind of how they get known, that is what they get basically almost rewarded for at the university system, and you will be surprised how little time they take to actually take that research, turn it into a patent, and then turn it into a commercialized product.

So one thing we heard in our hearings is that we needed to give more help to universities on tech transfer and patenting of information. Why patenting? Because patenting helps us protect the science that we already have developed. It helps us—say that somebody can't just take that published science report and then go off in another country and develop it because it is now protected under our U.S. law. So we feel this is a very important effort, and we think that it also helps lead a lot of research at universities to then be supported, developed, exposed to the venture capital markets and thus actually helped turn into commercialization.

So efforts at the University of Washington that specifically focused on this, specifically hired somebody to come into the university and kind of, if you will, shake the tree of the level of R&D that was being done and say, What are we doing to actually patent this content, what are we doing to actually transfer it into commercialization, had outstanding results? Yes, it was a transformation of what our universities do, but in the end, they came up with something like, just in a few years, 20 companies that ended up becoming been, you know, supported by venture capitalists and making it on to the markets. So we are very excited that we will now, with this provision, be trying to get more out of the research we do, by patenting it and doing tech transfer.

Our colleagues Senators YOUNG and SCHUMER also believe that university research should continue to get investments, and that is the major aspect of the provision here is to have the Tech Directorate work on these 10 areas of expertise, work with selected universities around the United States on this critical focus of technology. I mentioned some of them: artificial intelligence, quantum computing, biotechnology, and many others.

So the fact that the bill really is depending on our university system, I think, is something that our colleagues should applaud and be excited about. That chart that I showed at the beginning where everybody is working together, this is just research dollars going to the best universities in our Nation to continue to focus on this, but now focus on it in partnership with experts in these sectors and with industry so that we can actually get to a faster adoption rate and a faster implementation into commercial markets. So I think we are leaning in to our university system.

That is a good idea.

That is a good idea. What we are giving the university system, though, is the tools, the tools to help accelerate that development. And then, as I mentioned, we are also making a huge investment in STEM, more than $10 billion into STEM education. The chart I showed before talked about how we were going to do all these great things under America COMPETES in STEM. We didn't quite get there. We didn't really do that. I think this is like broadband. Everybody talks about it all the time, we think we have solved it five times, and you still think, Wait, I thought we solved broadband?

STEM is the same thing. You think we have funded STEM. We haven't funded STEM. This represents a huge increase in our STEM education budget, but I will just tell you, this is so that we can get the researchers, the scientists, the fellows, if you will, at the higher education level for STEM. We still need to go and build the pipeline at our K–12 system so that we are putting more people into the pipeline. But hopefully, with the STEM dollars here, we will be, if you will, creating a new workforce for the innovation that we are trying to chase with the investments of these dollars.

And we felt so strongly about this that we looked at the numbers and we were just astonished. There are so few women and minorities in STEM fields—so few. The underlying bill our colleagues, Senator SCHUMER and YOUNG, created a diversity office at, for the first time, over at NSF so they can focus on this issue. We put more resources to it within this STEM category so our colleagues and those at NSF could focus on it. And we expect to really try to take a very aggressive role here. That is what we heard from NSF in their research.

STEM education can't be a passive thing. It can't be just, We are going to put some more dollars out for education. If we want to diversify in the sciences, we have to have a very, very aggressive approach. And so that aggressive approach means changing the faces of those who do the education, changing some of the faces of people who do investments, changing the dynamics of research. A lot of women were hurt in the last COVID pandemic who were researchers because they were juggling both taking care of their families or taking care of parents and doing their research. And so they had extra strains on them that made complexity to when they could get their research done.

So we know we have to think about STEM education from the perspective of what are some of the challenges that face people going into those fields. But no doubt, this underlying legislation before us will have a big investment in that and continue NSF's leadership in trying to grow a more aggressive workforce. So the bill also includes, I should say, a few things about how one of our goals is to diversify innovation to many different parts of the United States. The challenge there is, you know, you are not going to sprinkle some dust on some magic words on some region of the United States, and all of a sudden, something is going to pop up–and nor do I personally expect it to. I always give the example of Walla Walla, which is a real place, Walla Walla, WA. I had a journalist ask once if that was a real place.

Yes, it is a real place. It is a great wine-making place. But somebody might say, Walla Walla, WA, should be a research center. It has got a university, an outstanding university, Whitman. People might say it should be a tech hub or it should be a research center. Walla Walla found its rightful place when research was done, and a university professor at the University of Washington said, You know what, we can grow wine grapes. That really wasn't that long ago. That was in the 1980s. He said we can grow grapes. We weren't growing grapes. Now, a couple of decades later, we have over a thousand wineries in the State of Washington. So not everybody is going to be a tech hub, but it doesn't mean that you're not going to use science to the best and highest use for a region of your State or the country.

It is about empowering. As Director Panchanathan, the head of NSF says, it is about trying to have innovation everywhere, connected to opportunity everywhere, connected to universities. The point is let's build a better ecosystem that goes all throughout the United States so more and more people can take advantage of technology and innovation. So this is really, really important because we never know where the next person is going to come from, who is going to play a critical role in technology. And the more we build this infrastructure, the better.

So this allows money for regional technology hubs to help concentrate in various parts of the country and expertise, more money for our manufacturing institutes which help manufacturers all across the United States focus on being competitive in their particular area, and it supports $2.4 billion for manufacturing extension programs, which are those things that really do work with, say, a particular sector like automobiles or aviation or some other type of manufacturing and help make them competitive. And as mentioned, it also, just like in the former COMPETES Act bills, puts some money into DOE. In this case, it puts about $17 billion into the Department of Energy so that its energy innovation can move forward.

So let me talk for a second about this issue about national security and where we are with semiconductors because I expect this will get a bunch of focus next week as we talk about this legislation. The underlying bill has about $52 billion of investment for the semiconductor industry, so I am pretty sure people think, Well, wait, this is a lot of money, but it is a very big sector.

It is essential to our defense, it is essential to navigation, it is essential to

satellites, it is essential to healthcare, it is essential to consumer products. And the United States has been a leader in this area. The United States has been a leader in this area for a long time—or I should say, was a leader in this area for a long time, when you think of companies like Intel or others, even some of the companies that are foreign investors who made huge footprints in the United States. But the point is that we are no longer in this position—as this chart shows, only 12 percent of a global supply.

A report recently done on the semiconductor industry by Boston Consulting Group, I just want to read this one part: ''The U.S. has been the longstanding global leader in semiconductors with 45% to 50% share of the worldwide market'' 5-percent to 50-percent share of the worldwide market—''in the last 30 years. However, significant focus is being placed on ending the U.S. share in semiconductor manufacturing which now only stands at 12% installed capacity.'' This is a report that I am pretty sure you could get online. That is the end of that statement.

So we have gone from 45 percent to 50 percent, that is where we started out, and over the last 30 years, now, we are down to 12 percent–12 percent. So I ask my colleagues, if you were 12 percent of anything, how long would you be around to be competitive? How long would you drive the supply chain? How long would you drive job growth? How long would you continue to be competitive in this very, very important sector that is important to all of these things?

And while I am somebody who supports continued growth of our global economy because I think we build and make great things and we want people to sell them to, this presents to us a very unique challenge, the fact that something as critical to the information age as semiconductors, we have gone from 40 percent to 50 percent down to 12 percent the question is what is going to happen next.

Well, the question of what is going to happen next is, if we don't make this investment, very, very likely that that 12 percent is going to, in the next several years, turn into 6 percent. It is going to turn into 6 percent. So staying status quo right now, doing no investment, it is very likely that 12 percent will turn into 6 percent, which means people aren't going to want to locate their boundaries in the United States. People aren't going to want to locate their research in the United States—people aren't going to want to have their companies and the supply chain and the workforce. Literally, this industry simply is clusters, it is clusters. Seattle didn't get to be Seattle overnight. Seattle didn't get to be the hub of the No. 1 STEM city in the United States of America and certainly an epicenter of software and software development overnight.

It took decades—decades. Literally, you know, even in the 1980s and 1990s, it wasn't that diversified. It has just been in the last 15 years that it has really diversified. But, yes, it took the work of the University of Washington. Yes, it took the work of many companies being there. Then it took the work of then people attracting a workforce who would rather be there than, say, in Silicon Valley. And then it took the efforts of universities to produce a workforce. Then it took attracting venture capital.

Then once they got venture capital, then more companies wanted to come there because then you have the entire ecosystem. You had universities, you had venture capital, you had leading companies, you had a workforce, and you had all of this stuff. Well, that is in software, and software can continue to move forward, but if you didn't have those things, you aren't going to be a cluster for semiconductors. The United States of America—the cluster of semiconductor development is going to be in Asia. It is going to be in Korea. It is going to be in Taiwan, and it is going to be in China.

So we have to ask ourselves if we are only 6 percent of the supply in the future and we can't really control the development and we lose our edge in this and then basically we have to rely on a supply chain for all the chips, you know, in the world, where is the supply chain that we are going to rely on for the national security products and defense technology and satellites and maybe some of these other consumer products that then end up getting used for other purposes? That is what this debate is about.

It is about that we went from 45 percent to 50 percent down to 12 percent. If we do nothing, we are going to 6 percent, and the epicenter of a critical technology is going to move to Asia. So I personally want to see us be successful in keeping a sector in the United States. I am very proud that that same Boston report shows that we have 49 percent of the aerospace manufacturing market in the United States. I am very proud of that because we are an epicenter of that. Forty-nine percent of the manufacturing market for aerospace is in the United States.

That represents, to my region, maybe 150,000 to 200,000 jobs in the Northwest. To the United States, that is 2 million jobs—more than 2 million probably if you think about some of the other related sectors. So being 49 percent of the supply chain in the United States for aerospace really, really, really matters. And I don't want to see that slip. You know, we have had a discussion about the fact that we have the Jones Act.

Now, some of our colleagues might not support the Jones Act, but the Jones Act is we decide, Well, we are not going to be all the shipbuilding in the world. Shipbuilding is going to get built in other places. But, oh, my gosh, we have to have enough shipbuilding in the United States so if we are at war, products and services that we need to support our military can be transported on U.S. vessels. That is why we have the Jones Act because we decided that that sector was critical enough to support.

And what we are saying here is that this sector is critical enough to support, too. I don't know that we are ever going to be 49 percent like aerospace manufacturing is—probably not, probably because it would take a lot more money than we are talking about here—because the rest of this world is chasing this market, too. They are chasing it fast and furious. We have to ask ourselves, Do we want to end up at 6 percent, or are we want going to try to reverse this trend and make an investment and make it as smart as possible?

I thought we had one more chart, but I guess we don't. So I guess we are back to this. Is this bill's investment worth taking the chance on American know-how? Is it worth the history of our country and saying, We have done a lot in research and development, and we know how to get things done. When I think of some of the people in this story, I think one of the guys on the GI Bill was one of the first contributors to semiconductors. It is a guy who basically went to school on a GI Bill, and if you think about the capital formation and capital markets we have in the United States, it has contributed to allowing that technology to move more rapidly. Our investment in higher education has allowed this to move more rapidly.

So to my colleagues who aren't sure about this legislation or think that it sounds like a lot or thinks that it sounds like, Oh, I don't understand it, it is really quite simple. Do you want to make a bigger investment in our contribution to American know-how with research and development and let them compete to winning the next generation of jobs? I do. I do.

I want to do that because I want to see what comes next. I think it is one of the most exciting things about today and where we live today. We are not in the agrarian age; we are not in the industrial age. We are in the information age where everything can be created in the blink of an eye and now distributed and transform our economy in such significant ways. I want to see what comes next. But we can't do it by passing legislation, authorizing things and then not appropriating the money and then waking up in 10 years and finding that we are at the lowest percentage of research and development to GDP in 60 years. That is where we are, the lowest percentage. So we can't do that. We have to make these investments and if we invest in American know-how, the rest of this will take care of itself.

I yield the floor.

ALASKA TOURISM RECOVERY ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate, having

received H.R. 1318 and the text being identical to S. 593 as passed by the Senate, H.R. 1318 is considered read three times and passed, and the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table.

The bill (H.R. 1318) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Alaska.

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, thank you for passing that very important piece of legislation.

The official name of that legislation that just passed the Senate is the Alaska Tourism Restoration Act. This is a really good day for Alaska right now and for our small businesses and working families and the overall economy in Alaska, across our State.

I want to say this is also a good day for the Congress. Both Houses, over the last week, have been able to come together, Members on both sides of the aisle, when they recognized that a relatively narrow segment of this great Nation—my State, Senator MURKOWSKI's State—had a huge challenge right now with our economy relating to tourism. Senators and Members of the House worked together, and we just passed a piece of legislation that is going to the President's desk. It is really going to help.

This pandemic has really hurt a lot of our economies in different States. I would say the Alaskan economy has been really hammered—the energy sector, the commercial fishing sector, and, of course, our tourism sector. But we have hope.

As I mentioned, we just passed the Alaska Tourism Restoration Act. This bill, cosponsored by Senator MURKOWSKI and myself here in the Senate and Congressman YOUNG in the House, is going to give our tourism season and the tens of thousands of Alaskans in that industry and the hundreds, if not thousands, of small businesses in Alaska in that industry that are hanging by a thread—it is going to give them a fighting chance this summer.

These are businesses whose owners have put their life savings, their hard work, their hopes, and their dreams into these small businesses, and many have been on the brink financially because of the pandemic and because the short cruise ship season that drives the tourism economy in Alaska was about to be canceled again this summer. That is now not going to happen.

Think about these numbers. In 2020, last year, during the pandemic, Alaska was estimated to get—we were supposed to get, prior to the pandemic, a record number of tourists via cruise ships: 1.5 million. It would have been the alltime record. Of course, in 2020, with the pandemic, none of them showed up, not one, and 2021 was shaping up to be the same.

Think about that. These small businesses get almost all their revenue during the summer season. That would have been 2 years with no revenues. No small business can withstand that.

So 2021 was looking to be canceled again as a result of the CDC, which took too long to provide clear guidance to the cruise ship industry, but they are now working cooperatively with our communities back home in Alaska and the industry. So that is good news. That is starting to happen. It is really important.

But even with the CDC cooperating and working constructively, which is now happening, 2021 wasn't looking good anyway because of a law—dating back to the 1880s, by the way—a U.S. law that made it impossible, without Canada's cooperation, to sail to Alaska on a cruise ship. It was impossible unless we got a bill from Congress passed that would allow cruise ships to sail to Alaska without stopping at a Canadian port, and that is just what we did. That is just what we did.

I want to thank, again, Members of the House and Members of the Senate. We are hoping that this bill is now going down to the White House for a signing by the President as soon as possible.

I know I am speaking on behalf of Senator MURKOWSKI and Congressman YOUNG in thanking all the Members of this body and the House for that work. We are going to have a fighting chance in Alaska for a summer tourism season that was looking very dismal just a couple of weeks ago.

One of the reasons it was looking very dismal is unfortunately because of our neighbor, who hasn't been really helpful. In Alaska, we have one neighbor, if you don't count Russia, and that is Canada. We don't have our wonderful lower 48 State neighbors; we have Canada.

We read in the Canadian press the last several weeks that there was no way the Americans could get their act together to pass a law that would fully bypass Canada—no way. That is what the Canadians were saying, Canadian politicians. So there wasn't a lot of need to work with us.

Well, here is a message for Canada: Never bet against America. Never bet against America. Pretty much every country in the history of our country's history that has bet against us has lost.

I would say that our delegation, the Alaska delegation, is probably the most pro-Canadian delegation there is. It is certainly more knowledgeable than most on Canadian issues. We work together on all kinds of things, big and small—trade issues, military issues, NORAD issues, mining issues. We, in my view, have a typically great relationship. Alaska-Canada is really strong. But that relationship needs cooperation, collaboration, and on this issue, it really didn't happen. So next time we ask our Canadian colleagues for cooperation, we think that is important, but we didn't need it, ultimately.

So I mention in closing, good news for Alaska. But I will say this to anyone watching on TV: This is good news for America. Why is that? Here is a message for the rest of our beautiful country: Alaska is open for business. Come on up. We are safe. We are healthy.

By the way, if you come up, you can get a vaccine. It is open to all tourists.

We are beautiful—breaching whales, soaring mountains, salmon-choked rivers, the best people in the world.

It has been a tough year. Now, I am not just talking Alaska; I am talking the whole country. We know it. Everybody has been at home.

To our fellow Americans who are ready to get out and see our beautiful Nation, come on up and see one of the most beautiful parts of America—really, one of the most beautiful parts of the world. Come on up to Alaska. We are waiting there for you. If it is on your bucket list, there is no time like the present to do it. Get on a cruise ship. Fly up. I think the Canadians have still blocked the border, so it is hard to drive up. That is a whole other issue. But there will be cruise ships heading up to the great State of Alaska, hopefully by mid-July. In fact, I have a call with several cruise ship executives this afternoon, and I am going to encourage them, in the aftermath of the U.S. Congress passing this bill, encourage them to rev up their cruise ships and get up to Alaska soon. We know that demand is high.

To all Americans, we would love to have you.

In closing, to my fellow Alaskans, while this tourism season certainly won't be one of our biggest—it certainly won't be like what we were anticipating in 2020—we are confident now, with this action, there will be ships, and there will be people. Help is on the way. We are a resilient, strong, tough State.

Thank you, Alaskans, for your patience. We now have a fighting chance at a decent summer tourism season in 2021. Hopefully, every American citizen watching this will head on up to Alaska. You will have a great time.

I yield the floor.

ENDLESS FRONTIER ACT—Continued

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO). The Senator from Virginia.

S. 1260

Mr. WARNER. Madam President, I rise today in strong support of the Endless Frontier Act—a long overdue, bipartisan effort to invest in our country's innovation and competitiveness.

I am pleased to see that Congress is finally taking action to shore up U.S. investment in the research, development, and manufacturing of critical technologies because, without this kind of intervention, China in particular will continue to outpace and outperform us in the global technology race, impacting our country's economic well-being, our global influence, and our national security.

Let me note, when I reference China, I think it is important that any policymaker or business leader draw this distinction. I want to make clear that my beef is with the Communist Party of China and the policies of President Xi Jinping, which persecutes its own people in terms of Uighurs, restricts the freedom of the people of Hong Kong, and creates a surveillance state that would make George Orwell blush. My beef is with those policies and that party, not with the Chinese people and obviously not with the Chinese diaspora, particularly Chinese Americans and Asian Americans.

In recent years, China has rapidly been executing on a plan. It has been working, particularly, to ramp up its domestic industries around technology that confer potentially to its long-term strategic dominance in a whole host of industries that traditionally the United States or the West has dominated.

One of the topics I am going to come back to in a moment is that of semiconductors. China consistently increases its investment in the semiconductor industry, with a commitment to invest $150 billion and a goal to produce at least 70 percent of the semiconductors it consumes—it is one of the world's fastest growing economies—by 2030.

Frankly, on this issue of semiconductors, it is not just China. Look around at South Korea, which has pledged to invest over $130 billion over the next 9 years, while training 36,000 new microelectronics engineers and technicians. Even our allies in Europe—Germany and 18 other EU members—recently announced investments of up to $60 billion in key hardware like semiconductors over the next few years.

We look back and see how we are doing in America. By contrast, over the past 10 years, only 17 major semiconductor fabs, or foundries—these are basically the manufacturing facilities—have been built in the United States, while we have seen over 122 built elsewhere. As a matter of fact, right now, there is not a single new fabrication facility being constructed in America. The total number of facilities—fabs, foundries—that are in production has gone from 81 down to 76, which are some of our older fabrication facilities.

Frankly, the technology has leapt forward, and if you don't continue to make the investment, you end up with a large, empty facility. We even have one right outside of Richmond, in Henrico County.

As a country, our share of semiconductor and microelectronic production has gone from 37 percent to just 12 percent today. If you look at China, it is almost the exact inverse, going from single digits to north of 30 percent.

The truth is, in the United States, the cost of a new fab is about 25 to 50 percent higher, partially because of the lower financial incentives we provide and the appropriate environmental standards. It does mean that, without incentives, we are not going to be in the game right now, partially because of decisions made right at the beginning of COVID and partially just because of a semiconductor shortage. We have auto factories sitting idle in the United States, not because they don't have workers, not because they don't have demand for those automobiles, but because these plants can't obtain the semiconductors that are integral to automobiles and, for that matter, every device we operate.

At the same time, if we look back again at China, it has no plans to take the foot off the pedal anytime soon. As a matter of fact, last year, President Xi Jinping announced a $1.4 trillion commitment to develop new technologies just through 2025—$1.4 trillion. We think about the numbers we are talking about here today, which are big based upon traditional American standards, but they pale in comparison to what China is investing. You don't need to look very far; you only need to look at the Chinese documents themselves—the Made in China 2025 plan and the China 2035 plan in terms of standards and procedures and protocols.

Beyond semiconductors, 5G, and some of the things I have talked about in the past, there is a host of other areas in which, if we don't invest, we are not going to be able to stand.

Now, it is not all bleak. U.S. semiconductor firms in areas like lithography, packaging, and metrology still lead the world. In machining, we still lead. However, many of the key ingredients to our success, including Federal support for R&D, investment in basic research, and support for advanced manufacturing, have actually declined over the last 20 years.

Simply put, we are just not keeping up. Between 1995 and 2018, Chinese R&D investment increased by over 15 percent per year compared to the U.S. increases averaging about 3-percent growth per year. Now, we started with a higher base—I acknowledge that—but on relative and, shortly, on actual real terms, China will soon pass. As a matter of fact, after World War II, the United States funded 69 percent of the annual global R&D. Today, we fund less than 28 percent, with only 7 percent going to nondefense technologies—again, like wireless, which is something I know a little bit about and will speak to again in a moment.

To get back to where we once were and reassert U.S. technology leadership, we need to reprioritize foundational technologies to maintain not just our country's economic leadership but to also make sure that our values are built into these increasing technology areas.

The truth is, for so many years, not only did we invent many of these breakthrough technologies here, but even if we didn't invent them in the United States, we would then set the rules, the procedures, the protocols, and the standards around these new technology developments. We have seen that in semiconductors for a long time. We saw it in computing. We saw it with the internet. We saw it in wireless. We saw it in satellites.

Time and again now, we are suddenly seeing China flood the zone with these standard-setting bodies, and when you set the standards, you also reflect your values. So values that we bring to the table, like transparency and respect for human rights, go out the window when China sets the rules around 5G that basically allow traffic to always pass through Beijing. Even if you are making a phone call between St. Louis and San Francisco, why does that traffic have to be routed through Beijing unless there is a malicious interest at stake? If you set the rules, you drive not only the technology but so many other things.

As chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, I have long been banging the drum about the way the PRC has taken advantage of what makes our country's economic system so great—our openness, our transparency, our free markets.

The Chinese Government, unfortunately, plays by a different set of rules. The Chinese Government starts with the willingness to use all the tools of its intelligence services, sometimes its student population, which has added so much value to our country, and enormous thefts of intellectual property. Some public estimates are north of $500 billion a year.

The Chinese Government, as well, is using all aspects of its society to increase China's dominance, from the intellectual property theft that I talked about to opaque subsidies in financing that always favor a Chinese vendor.

And, unfortunately, for many of our trading partners, the deal that is offered by the Chinese firm is often either too good or linked to another development—''I am going to build you a road; I am going to build you a port, but you have to buy at Huawei, as the price of that,'' or because we in America or, for that matter, even in the West have not kept up on a financing basis.

That is why in the Endless Frontier bill that we are debating right now, a bill that will make substantial investments in the National Science Foundation and the Department of Energy, our National Labs—both great national assets—in this bill, as well, we are actually doing more than authorizing new ideas and new advancements. We are actually finally—finally—putting our money where our mouth is.

It is why included in the Endless Frontier bill is the Utilizing Strategic Allied Telecommunications Act, which, at the end of the day, is basically $2 billion to invest in making sure that in America we have, and in the West we have, a competitor against Huawei.

I have come to this floor and talked a lot about the national security threat Huawei presents in America and, for that matter, to our allies.

But if you don't have a competitor priced on a fair basis, what do you expect to do? What do you expect of an ally country to do? Or for that matter, what do you expect of many of the rural telecos' decision, which was to buy Huawei equipment, until this vulnerability got exposed.

On this bill I was proud to work with two of my great partners on the Intelligence Committee, Senator RICHARD BURR and Senator MARCO RUBIO.

What we do with this $2 billion is put up a public wireless supply chain innovation fund to spur investments toward open architecture, innovative, leap-ahead technologies in our domestic mobile market.

And what we are really talking about doing—and I know I have talked to the Presiding Officer about this and others—is, in 5G, we are almost so far behind at this point that we have to leapfrog ahead. But one way we can leapfrog ahead is by developing what is called open RAN, or open radio access network. What does that mean in English? Well, it means let's move away from the traditional hardware-based stack of the telephone wireless system and move to a more software-based system.

When we do that, we get away from the inherent advantages that the Chinese and Huawei have, and we move to an area where there are a host of American and other enterprises that are software-based, where we are already far ahead.

Now, what we also have to do, as well, is combine this investment—and we have close to $500 million on this—to also invest in a multilateral fund.

The truth is, no single American company on its own can take on this enormous challenge that the whole Chinese state, backing their Chinese champion—there is no way we can take that on, on our own. So how do we think, with our other democratic allies around the world, the G7, but also countries like South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and India, Israel, and others, that we can collaborate on this technology development? Think about how we compete on an economic basis and at the same time make sure that we install those values around transparency, respect for human rights, the notion of open and competitive system, that those are built into technology development.

The second item is crucially that this bill also addresses the essential need for us to invest in semiconductors. We are finally putting our money where our mouth is. This bill will appropriate on an emergency basis $52 billion for investment in chips in our country and along with our allies.

This basically builds upon legislation that we added to the Defense authorization bill last year. It is bipartisan. Senator CORNYN, Senator SCHUMER, Senator COTTON, Senator KELLY are all working together on this with a host of others because the semiconductor industry, while we have seen some sliding, still represents one of the shining lights of our country's innovation economy.

And as a wider array of products and services depend on internet connectivity and software processing, the demand for semiconductors has only grown.

But as I outlined at the top, unfortunately, that leadership position we have had for so long is at stake. So the CHIPS Act, which is built in now—baked into the Endless Frontier Act—directs and empowers key Agencies, like the Department of Commerce, in consultation with others like our intelligence community, to make investments in microelectronics R&D a priority. It emphasizes the need for multilateral efforts with our allies and close trading partners to bring greater transparency and accountability to subsidies. It aligns policies toward non-transparent, non-market competitors like the Chinese, and it makes sure that we have concerted and coordinated action, both domestically and, again, with our allies, on supply chain security and integrity.

It invests billions in basic research related to advanced semiconductors via DOD and a newly created National Semiconductor Technology Center, and it makes an unprecedented investment in trying to build new foundries, fabs, or basic manufacturing facilities, here in the United States so that we have that supply security chain—a secure supply chain for the future.

That $39 billion in that fund I believe will help us build 7 to 10 new fabs right here in the United States. And whether they are in the Presiding Officer's State or Virginia or elsewhere, our States will have to invest as well. Many of these facilities cost anywhere from $12 to $15 billion by the time you build them and keep them operating until they have some level of profitability. So some level of American national investment in each of these is needed to make sure that they—at least some of these—will be built in the United States. And, again, the $39 billion should generate 7 to 10 new fabs over the next 5 to 7 years.

And whether it is chips for automotive, aerospace, biomedical, or cell phones—you name it—or the billions of ''internet of things'' devices, almost all rely upon semiconductors. Let's make sure those chips are built, designed, and produced here, and that those elsewhere in the world are often done in countries that are allies.

So the Endless Frontier Act, which includes both the investment in 5G and ORAN and, obviously, the semiconductors, serves as a once-in-a-generation opportunity to solidify U.S. leadership in science and tech innovation. It will strengthen our national security and reinvigorate American ingenuity.

The truth is, colleagues on both sides of the aisle, I know we are supportive of these efforts. I hope next week that we pass this bill with a massive majority, and that then it will be quickly acted upon by the House, because I know our domestic industries are watching us. I know our adversaries are, as well, and it will be wonderful if we can finally move beyond simply talking about the challenges that China presents and actually make the kind of tangible investments that American generations in the past have made.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WARNOCK). The Senator from Nevada.

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

MORNING BUSINESS

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

REMEMBERING WALTER MONDALE

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, the late Walter Mondale is widely known for having transformed the role of Vice President, ably taking on many key responsibilities that were delegated to him by President Jimmy Carter. Less noted are his many accomplishments in this body while he served as a Senator from the State of Minnesota.

Walter Mondale is sometimes described as the paradigm figure of the transition between two eras—the FDR Coalition up to the war in Vietnam and the social ferment that came after the war. And perhaps this is so, but to me, who Fritz Mondale was and what he stood for are just as important as when he stood there. The issues he led on then are as fresh as today's news and as enduring as our founding documents, issues like the concentration and abuse of power or social and economic justice and the consolidation of wealth in the pockets and portfolios of just a few or the role of government in protecting the little guy when powerful market forces run roughshod or the tension between freedom and security; even the question of whether a woman ever could credibly assume the highest office in the land. Trace any of these issues back in time, and you will find Fritz Mondale at earlier decision points.

Fritz Mondale was a good man whose decency elevated every institution in which he served. Who he was has everything to do with what he achieved. He loved the Senate, and the Senate loved him back. He said the Senate ''was like mainlining human nature.''

One side of Fritz that the public did not see as readily as we did in the Senate was his sense of humor—one of the

best I have ever known. In many a tense moment, his sense of humor often defused the tension and restored the spirit of comity that is so crucial in getting things done in the Senate. He knew the art of being able to disagree without being disagreeable. I wish the American people had seen more of that side of Fritz Mondale.

That was a heady and vibrant legislative era, and Fritz had a hand in virtually every major piece of civil rights, education, and childcare legislation that emerged from Congress during that period.

Another of Fritz Mondale's most remarkable and lasting achievements in the Senate was to engineer a change in the Senate's rules, to curb the abuse of filibusters in thwarting the will of clear majorities of the American people. The difficulty in passing the civil rights laws of the sixties had gradually convinced more and more Senators that the bar for cutting off debate in the Senate was set too high.

That might not sound difficult, but changing the way the Senate operates is something akin to trying to change the weather.

As a freshman Senator, I had a front seat and a bit part in Fritz's highly organized campaign to change the cloture rule. He won the change in the cloture rule, and it is not an exaggeration to point out that his efforts probably saved the Senate as we know it, and he did it without changing the Senate's fundamental character.

The Senate at its best can be the conscience of the Nation. It takes constant work and vigilance to keep our system working as it should for the betterment of our society and its people. Keeping faith with these fundamentals accounts for much of the legacy of Fritz Mondale.

It is easy for politicians to appeal to our worst instincts and to our selfishness. Political leaders serve best when they appeal to the best in us, to lift our sights, summon our will and raise us to a higher level.

Fritz Mondale's farewell message to his staff made clear that this is how he thought of himself to the end of his days: as a public servant. He represented the best of what public service means.

Through his own public service Fritz Mondale invested himself in the belief that our democracy gives each of us the opportunity to thrive, to make justice real, and to make the economy work for all and not just for some.

His legacy in the Senate deserves to be and will be an enduring one.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO LOGAN SCHONART

• Mr. CRAMER. Mr. President, I want to honor a Grand Forks firefighter for receiving a national honor by the VFW. Saving lives is what firefighters are called on to do as part of their job every day. But in the case of Logan Schonart, his lifesaving act went much beyond that.

When members of the Grand Forks Fire Department heard Rick Aamot, their former batallion chief, was suffering from kidney disease and needed a new kidney, they were concerned enough to look into how they could help. Because it can take years to find a donor, they joined in the search to find one. Schonart was among those who took a test for compatibility, and his test showed he was a match. Having worked together for nearly a decade before Aamot retired, Schonert thought enough of him to step forward and offer to be his donor.

Schonert was not looking for publicity about his successful kidney donation to Aamot, but he spoke out about it to encourage others to consider doing the same if the opportunity presented itself. In recognition of his generous lifesaving act, Schonart was named the 2020 North Dakota VFW Firefighter of the Year and earlier this month was named the 2021 National VFW Firefighter of the Year. The award was presented May 7 at the Grand Forks Fire Station.

Mr. President, I congratulate Logan Schonart on this national honor recognizing a firefighter who exceeds professional expectations and demonstrates community service and professional achievement. As the 2021 National VFW Firefighter of the Year, he sets an extraordinary example for all of us demonstrating what selfless sacrifice looks like.•

TRIBUTE TO A. ED MAIRERLE

• Mr. DAINES. Mr. President. Today I have the distinct honor of recognizing A. Ed Maierle of Cascade County as Montanan of the Month for his service to our country during World War II. Ed is also celebrating his 100th birthday on June 6, 2021, which is the 77th anniversary of the D-Day invasion in France.

Ed enlisted in the U.S. Navy after Pearl Harbor was bombed. He was sent to Hawaii and became an ''Avenger,'' a member of a torpedo bomber squadron stationed at Pearl Harbor. Ed also manned a 50-caliber machine gun on a PBY, a WWII seaplane. He later was stationed for 2 years as propeller specialist with a B–24 squadron on Esperitu Santo New Heberde Island. As part of this squadron, he flew daily missions, scouting for the dreaded A6M Zero Japanese fighter planes.

After the war, Ed was stationed for 1 year at Whidbey Island, WA, before returning to Montana. For two summers, Ed and his wife, Mary Alice, became the first couple in the United States to man a U.S. Forest Service fire watch lookout tower. Following this adventure, Ed embarked on a very successful career in the insurance business. He and Mary Alice were very active in community service. They both shared a strong faith in the Lord and were recognized for their 24 years of service in the Helena area nursing home ministry.

Ed epitomizes the heart of a veteran—a Montana hero—whose selfless service must not be forgotten. On behalf of a grateful nation, I want to thank Ed for his service to our country, and I wish you a very happy birthday celebration with your family.•

TRIBUTE TO ADAM HAMMILL

• Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Adam Hammill and his business, Exile Burrito of Berlin, NH. Mr. Hammill, a Coast Guard veteran, had the courage to open his business after years of planning in May 2020 amid the COVID–19 pandemic.

After honorably serving our country, both in the Coast Guard and with the Bureau of Prisons, Mr. Hammill turned his passion for cooking authentic Mexican cuisine into a family business and contributed to the revitalization of Berlin's historic Main Street community by opening a restaurant, creating jobs, and offering a new variety of table fare that was previously not available within an hour of New Hampshire's northernmost city.

Opening a new business is always a challenge, but that is especially true for people like Mr. Hammill, who decided to start their business during an unprecedented global pandemic. Mr. Hammill was committed to staying open for his employees and his community by pivoting to a takeout model and implementing safety measures for both his employees and customers. As Mr. Hammill adapted to the ever changing business climate due to the pandemic, he found that as a new business, he was unable to access the critical pandemic relief funding passed by Congress. Mr. Hammill recognized the gap in support and raised this issue with me. As a result of advocacy from Mr. Hammill and other new business owners in New Hampshire, I introduced the bipartisan Recovery Startup Assistance Act with Republican Senator MIKE BRAUN of Indiana, which President Biden signed into law as part of the American Rescue Plan. Now, thanks to Mr. Hammill's advocacy, new business owners will be able to access payroll assistance through a tailored version of the employee retention tax credit.

Mr. Hammill truly represents the best of the Granite State—serving our country, showing his grit and determination to open a successful business despite unprecedented challenges, and speaking up to help other new businesses like his own. I look forward to seeing what he accomplishes next.•

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Roberts, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:32 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 bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1629. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to limitations on exclusive approval or licensure of orphan drugs, and for other purposes.

At 1:25 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1318. An act to restrict the imposition by the Secretary of Homeland Security of fines, penalties, duties, or tariffs applicable only to coastwise voyages, or prohibit otherwise qualified non-United States citizens from serving as crew, on specified vessels transporting passengers between the State of Washington and the State of Alaska, to address a Canadian cruise ship ban and the extraordinary impacts of the COVID–19 pandemic on Alaskan communities, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3237. An act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 27. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1629. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to limitations on exclusive approval or licensure of orphan drugs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.J. Res. 27. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 3233. An act to establish the National Commission to Investigate the January 6 Attack on the United States Capitol Complex, and for other purposes.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

H.R. 3237. An act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes.

S. 1775. A bill to address gun violence, improve the availability of records to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, address mental illness in the criminal justice system, and end straw purchases and trafficking of illegal firearms, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DURBIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 921. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to further protect officers and employees of the United States, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. REED for the Committee on Armed Services.

*Michael J. McCord, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

*Ronald S. Moultrie, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.

By Ms. CANTWELL for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

*Eric S. Lander, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

By Mr. DURBIN for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Regina M. Rodriguez, of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado.

Candace Jackson-Akiwumi, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit.

Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

Julien Xavier Neals, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

Zahid N. Quraishi, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(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. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. ROMNEY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. KING, Ms. WARREN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 1723. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a stewardship fee on the production and importation of opioid pain relievers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 1724. A bill to amend the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 to provide the Attorney General with greater authority to promote enforcement of disclosure requirements for agents of foreign principals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. ROUNDS (for himself, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DAINES, Mr. CASSIDY, and Mr. MORAN):

S. 1725. A bill to grant a Federal charter to the National American Indian Veterans, Incorporated; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MURPHY:

S. 1726. A bill to amend chapter 83 of title 41, United States Code (popularly referred to as the Buy American Act) and certain other laws with respect to certain waivers under those laws, to provide greater transparency regarding exceptions to domestic sourcing requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 1727. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide a higher Federal matching rate for increased expenditures under Medicaid for behavioral health services (including those related to mental health and substance use), and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 1728. A bill to create dedicated funds to conserve butterflies in North America, plants in the Pacific Islands, freshwater mussels in the United States, and desert fish in the Southwest United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MURPHY:

S. 1729. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require contracting officers to consider information regarding domestic employment before awarding a Federal defense contract, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. WARREN (for herself and Mr. DAINES):

S. 1730. A bill to increase portability of and access to retirement savings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. WARREN (for herself, Mr. PAUL, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SINEMA, and Mr. BROWN):

S. 1731. A bill to provide certain coverage of audiologist services under the Medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 1732. A bill to establish a Freight Rail Innovation Institute to carry out a research and development program to develop new technologies for freight rail locomotives; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1733. A bill to authorize implementation grants to community-based nonprofits to operate one-stop reentry centers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1734. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to encourage and expand the use of prescribed

fire on land managed by the Department of the Interior or the Forest Service, with an emphasis on units of the National Forest System in the western United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HICKENLOOPER (for himself, Ms. LUMMIS, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 1735. A bill to establish an Office of Native American Affairs within the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. HICKENLOOPER:

S. 1736. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to address the participation of cooperatives in the program carried out under section 7(a) of that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 1737. A bill to establish a global zoonotic disease task force, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 1738. A bill to provide additional funding for school-based health centers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. LUMMIS (for herself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 1739. A bill to rescind amounts appropriated for grants that are not accepted by a State or local government and use the amounts for deficit reduction; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. HEINRICH (for himself and Mr. LUJÁN):

S. 1740. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to make energy transition payments to States, counties, and Indian Tribes to replace Federal mineral revenues lost as a result of changes in Federal policy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LUJÁN:

S. 1741. A bill to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to provide for alternative pathways of addressing child abuse and neglect; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. YOUNG, and Ms. ERNST):

S. 1742. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that sums in the Thrift Savings Fund may not be invested in securities that are listed on certain foreign exchanges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 1743. A bill to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 to impose certain requirements relating to the use of market indexes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 1744. A bill to improve national security at the National Institutes of Health, to address national security issues in the licensure of biological products, to address national security considerations in research at the Department of Health and Human Services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 1745. A bill to strengthen the requirements for reviews by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States of covered transactions involving genetic information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 1746. A bill to reform the requirements regarding the safety and security of families living in public and federally assisted housing in high-crime areas; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 1747. A bill to provide for an equitable management of summer flounder based on geographic, scientific, and economic data, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 1748. A bill to modify the prohibition on recognition by United States courts of certain rights relating to certain marks, trade names, or commercial names; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. KAINE, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. COONS, and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 1749. A bill to authorize the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce to establish business centers at historically Black colleges and universities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Ms. LUMMIS):

S. 1750. A bill to redesignate land within certain wilderness study areas in the State of Wyoming, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HAGERTY (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 1751. A bill to provide that funding for Gaza shall be made available instead for the Iron Dome short-range rocket defense system; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. WYDEN, and Mrs. HYDE-SMITH):

S. 1752. A bill to establish the National Center for Advancement of Aviation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. HASSAN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1753. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and update the credit for nonbusiness energy property; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COTTON:

S. 1754. A bill to amend the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 to repeal the exemption from registration under such Act for persons providing private and nonpolitical representation of trade and commercial interests, and the exemption from registration under such Act for persons filing disclosure reports under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, in connection with the representation of business organizations organized under the laws of or having their principal place of business in the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. TILLIS:

S. 1755. A bill to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to include the Secretary of Agriculture as a member of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. KELLY):

S. 1756. A bill to extend the commitment of the United States to the International Space Station, to develop advanced space suits, and to authorize a stepping stone approach to exploration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LEE (for himself and Mr. TUBERVILLE):

S. 1757. A bill to have education funds follow the student; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HICKENLOOPER:

S. 1758. A bill to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to increase the maximum loan amount for certain loans; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. HICKENLOOPER (for himself and Mr. RISCH):

S. 1759. A bill to establish a MicroCap small business investment company designation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Ms. HIRONO:

S. 1760. A bill to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs planned to be built in Oahu, Hawaii, as the ''Daniel Kahikina Akaka Department of Veterans Affairs Community-Based Outpatient Clinic''; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mr. CRAMER, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. TOOMEY, Ms. LUMMIS, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 1761. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to make changes with respect to water quality certification, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1762. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to permit retirement plans to consider certain factors in investment decisions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 1763. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to establish a high risk rural roads safety program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CRAMER (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. DAINES, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. ERNST, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. CASSIDY, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 1764. A bill to expand the Protecting Europe's Energy Security Act of 2019 and require the reinstatement of sanctions waived with respect to Nord Stream 2 AG and corporate officers of Nord Stream 2 AG; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 1765. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide greater flexibility for multimodal freight improvements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. COTTON):

S. 1766. A bill to amend the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 to designate United States Route 412 as a future part of the Interstate System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself and Mr. SASSE):

S. 1767. A bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to modernize certain processes regarding expulsion of credit union members for cause, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. COONS):

S. 1768. A bill to make grants to support online training of residential contractors

and rebates for the energy efficiency upgrades of homes and multifamily buildings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA):

S. 1769. A bill to adjust the boundary of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area to include the Rim of the Valley Corridor, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. 1770. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform retirement provisions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance .

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

S. 1771. A bill to authorize reference to the museum located at Blytheville/Eaker Air Force Base in Blytheville, Arkansas, as the ''National Cold War Center''; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 1772. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to increase survivors benefits for disabled widows, widowers, and surviving divorced spouses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1773. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to establish internet website-based dashboards to allow the public to review information on spending for, and utilization of, prescription drugs and biologicals covered under the Medicare and Medicaid programs; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 1774. A bill to strengthen United States engagement in the Oceania region and enhance the security and resilience of allies and partners of the Oceania community, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. CRUZ, and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 1775. A bill to address gun violence, improve the availability of records to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, address mental illness in the criminal justice system, and end straw purchases and trafficking of illegal firearms, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 1776. A bill to implement recommendations relating to military training on emerging technologies; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BARRASSO, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BURR, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. MORAN, Mr. LEE, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SASSE, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina):

S. 1777. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to codify the Trump administration rule on reporting requirements of exempt organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1778. A bill to prohibit transfers of individuals between ICE facilities and Federal, State, and local facilitates, to ensure physical distancing inside ICE facilitates, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1779. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to eliminate copayments by the Department of Veterans Affairs for medicines relating to preventive health services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MARKEY, and Ms. WARREN):

S. 1780. A bill to remove college cost as a barrier to every student having access to a well-prepared and diverse educator workforce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions .

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1781. A bill to require the Comptroller General of the United States to assess the quality and nutrition of food available at military installations for members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 1782. A bill to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a grant program to facilitate tree planting that reduces residential energy consumption, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 1783. A bill to provide emergency loans to maintain access to essential services during the COVID–19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 1784. A bill to amend the Fairness to Contact Lens Consumers Act to modernize verification of contact lens prescriptions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SCHATZ (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 1785. A bill to repeal the debt ceiling, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S.J. Res. 19. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed transfer to Israel of certain defense articles, including defense services and technical data; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BRAUN:

S. Res. 227. A resolution honoring the 100th anniversary of the creation of Wonder Bread in Indianapolis, Indiana; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. BURR):

S. Res. 228. A resolution designating May 15, 2021, as ''Kids to Parks Day''; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 212

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CRAMER) were added as cosponsors of S. 212, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a refundable tax credit against income tax for the purchase of qualified access technology for the blind.

S. 419

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 419, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for a full annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers.

S. 456

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 456, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the new markets tax credit, and for other purposes.

S. 535

At the request of Ms. ERNST, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 535, a bill to authorize the location of a memorial on the National Mall to commemorate and honor the members of the Armed Forces that served on active duty in support of the Global War on Terrorism, and for other purposes.

S. 611

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 611, a bill to deposit certain funds into the Crime Victims Fund, to waive matching requirements, and for other purposes.

S. 657

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 657, 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.

S. 692

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 692, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the female telephone operators of the Army Signal Corps, known as the ''Hello Girls''.

S. 986

At the request of Ms. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 986, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a 5-year extension of the carbon oxide sequestration credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1171

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms.

CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1171, a bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to prohibit mandatory pre-dispute arbitration agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 1178

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1178, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for a credit against tax for employers of reservists.

S. 1210

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1210, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, to further the conservation of certain wildlife species, and for other purposes.

S. 1312

At the request of Mr. MURPHY, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1312, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to eliminate the waiting periods for disability insurance benefits and Medicare coverage for individuals with metastatic breast cancer and for other purposes.

S. 1315

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJÁN) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1315, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of certain lymphedema compression treatment items under the Medicare program.

S. 1378

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1378, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to allow for the retirement of certain animals used in Federal research, and for other purposes.

S. 1488

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1488, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to establish a basic needs allowance for low-income regular members of the Armed Forces.

S. 1489

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS), the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) were added as cosponsors of S. 1489, a bill to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to establish an Inspector General of the Office of the United States Trade Representative, and for other purposes.

S. 1539

At the request of Mr. OSSOFF, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) were added as cosponsors of S. 1539, a bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to ensure access to water and food for voters waiting in line at polling stations in Federal elections.

S. 1544

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1544, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to streamline enrollment under the Medicaid program of certain providers across State lines, and for other purposes.

S. 1588

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1588, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to prohibit importation, exportation, transportation, sale, receipt, acquisition, and purchase in interstate or foreign commerce, or in a manner substantially affecting interstate or foreign commerce, or possession, of any live animal of any prohibited primate species.

S. 1597

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1597, a bill to ensure America's law enforcement officers have access to lifesaving equipment needed to defend themselves and civilians from attacks by terrorists and violent criminals.

S. 1614

At the request of Mr. YOUNG, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1614, a bill to require certain grantees under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to submit a plan to track discriminatory land use policies, and for other purposes.

S. 1625

At the request of Mr. CRAMER, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1625, a bill to authorize notaries public to perform, and to establish minimum standards for, electronic notarizations and remote notarizations that occur in or affect interstate commerce, to require any Federal court to recognize notarizations performed by a notarial officer of any State, to require any State to recognize notarizations performed by a notarial officer of any other State when the notarization was performed under or relates to a public Act, record, or judicial proceeding of the notarial officer's State or when the notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce, and for other purposes.

S. 1644

At the request of Mr. BRAUN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1644, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish a time-limited provisional approval pathway, subject to specific obligations, for certain drugs and biological products, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 213

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS), the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 213, a resolution recognizing the importance of the United States-Republic of Korea relationship to safeguarding peace, security and prosperity on the Korean Peninsula, in the Indo-Pacific region and beyond, and welcoming the visit of President Moon Jae-in to the United States.

S. RES. 226

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 226, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States supports Israel, our greatest ally in the region, and its right to defend itself against terrorist attacks.

AMENDMENT NO. 1523

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1523 proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1561

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1561 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1579

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1579 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1581

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1581 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1582

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1582 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1588

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1588 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1589

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. HAGERTY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1589 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1613

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1613 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1622

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1622 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1626

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS), the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA), the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1626 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1630

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1630 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1634

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1634 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1635

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1635 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1636

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1636 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1648

At the request of Mr. KING, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1648 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1675

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1675 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1701

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1701 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1703

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1703 intended to be proposed to S. 1260, a bill to establish a

new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 1724. A bill to amend the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 to provide the Attorney General with greater authority to promote enforcement of disclosure requirements for agents of foreign principals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, the Foreign Agents Registration Act is a law that I have spoken about on this floor many times. At its core, the Foreign Agents Registration Act brings transparency and accountability to foreign influences in our politics.

I want to make very clear, this act doesn't prohibit anybody from doing anything they want to do. It only requires those who lobby on behalf of foreign governments and their interests to register their affiliations and activities with the Justice Department. This fits in with a law that I tried to surely describe as bringing transparency, and when you bring transparency, you have accountability.

While it requires lobbyists on K Street to disclose if they are lobbying on behalf of foreign governments and their interests, it lacks the teeth necessary to enforce the intent of the law and its other requirements. That is very much a weakness in a law that goes back to the 1930s, and it hasn't been updated in the last 55 years.

Today, I seek to change, once again, that environment I just told you about by introducing the Foreign Agents Disclosure and Registration Enhancement Act. If enacted, this legislation would grant the Justice Department new investigative powers.

The bill would increase criminal and civil penalties for violations. It does this in order to deter abuse of the law; in other words, people not registering when they should register.

The bill appropriately limits who in the Justice Department can use this authority, and it provides essential due process protections. In fact, it is based on identical authorities in the False Claims Act, which for years has helped root out waste, fraud, and abuse.

The bill tasks the Government Accountability Office with studying whether and to what extent the Lobbying Disclosure Act exemption to the Foreign Agents Registration Act is being abused.

These reforms are the result of this Senator's oversight and policy work dating to 2015. These reforms are not in any way partisan, and last Congress this was very much a bipartisan bill.

This Congress, it seems funny that not a single Democratic colleague would join me and my Republican colleagues in cosponsoring this legislation, even though the same people cosponsored it in the last Congress. I have to ask my Democratic colleagues: What is different now than at the tail end of the last Congress?

In December of last year, I came to the floor for a live unanimous consent on this very same bill. At that time, I had the support of the chairs and senior Democratic Senators on both the Senate Judiciary Committee and the Senate Intelligence Committee. What has changed between last December and right now, that these same Democrats who helped us aren't helping us on a bill that is the same? Are the compromises that we hashed out no longer relevant now that the Democrats control the U.S. Senate and, of course, the Presidency?

Maybe I should put it a little more bluntly. Do my Democratic colleagues no longer care, now that the Trump administration isn't in power? During the Trump administration, I heard my Democratic colleagues speak loudly about the risks of foreign influence on the Trump administration. We all heard it: Trump, Russia. We heard it all day, every day.

Well, I can ask embarrassing things on the other side. What about Biden and China? We all know about the links between the Biden family and Chinese foreign nationals connected to the communist regime, and those links are real and proven, unlike the links that supposedly existed between Trump and Russia that a whole 2 years of study proved were not true.

If the Democrats want to be intellectually honest on the issue of foreign influence, they are going to have to face the music on both sides of the political spectrum.

I have conducted oversight of the Foreign Agents Registration Act without regard to power, party, or privilege. That means I have done it both when we had Democratic Presidents and when we had Republican Presidents.

Also, I raised concerns about the work for Ukrainians by Paul Manafort and the Podesta Group, also involved with the Foreign Agents Registration Act—or maybe they should have been involved with it—and violated it.

I even raised concerns when the firm behind the discredited Steele dossier failed to register for its lobbying work to repeal U.S. sanctions against Russia.

I subpoenaed Paul Manafort to testify at the Judiciary Committee hearing on lax Foreign Agent Registration Act enforcement.

I praised Mueller for dusting off the law that had been ignored for so long.

I want to remind my colleagues that we make laws to be equally enforced, no matter which party is in power. The Foreign Agents Registration Act isn't a right or left issue. It is about foreign influence, about foreign control, and the preservation of our sovereignty. Without our sovereignty, we fail to even exist as a nation.

The last Congress—getting back at my attempt to make a unanimous consent request—at that time, Senator MENENDEZ did what he had the authority to do and the right to do. He objected at that particular time, stating that it bothered him because the Foreign Agents Registration Act reform should move through regular order because that committee, under Republican leadership at that time, did not take up the bill.

The chairman then gave his approval to it but obviously didn't get MENENDEZ's approval to it. So Senator MENENDEZ did what he thought a ranking member of the committee ought to do to protect his side of the aisle, and he objected. He wanted it to go through regular reform. So I am waiting for regular reform to happen.

I look forward to working with Senator MENENDEZ and the Foreign Relations Committee to move this bill any way they want to move it, through regular order or, like we did last time, by having the chairman and ranking member just approve moving it. In fact, some of your Members were previous cosponsors of this bill.

So I am saying to Senator MENENDEZ that members of his committee cosponsored this bill last time, and I don't understand why they aren't joining me in cosponsoring it this time. I would love to have them do that.

The issues with foreign influence on our political system aren't going to go away. In fact, I think we can say they are primed to get even worse. In the meantime, while partisan politics play out, the Foreign Agents Registration Act stands without necessary reform.

I strongly urge my Democratic colleagues to work with me and my Republican cosponsors to achieve a much needed, meaningful reform to a very important law that doesn't deprive anybody from making their living any way they want to. If they want to lobby and influence our government for a foreign country, we accept that. They can work in that if they want to, but we ought to know about it. That is what the Foreign Agents Registration Act is all about, to get this information out so it can be made public because, with transparency, there is accountability.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 1747. A bill to provide for an equitable management of summer flounder based on geographic, scientific, and economic data, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 1747

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Fluke Fairness Act of 2021''.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) Summer flounder is an important economic fish stock for commercial and recreational fishermen across the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic United States.

(2) The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.) was reauthorized in 2006 and instituted annual catch limits and accountability measures for important fish stocks.

(3) That reauthorization prompted fishery managers to look at alternate management schemes to rebuild depleted stocks like summer flounder.

(4) Summer flounder occur in both State and Federal waters and are managed through a joint fishery management plan between the Council and the Commission.

(5) The Council and the Commission decided that each State's recreational and commercial harvest limits for summer flounder would be based upon landings in previous years.

(6) These historical landings were based on flawed data sets that no longer provide fairness or flexibility for fisheries managers to allocate resources based on the best science.

(7) This allocation mechanism resulted in an uneven split among the States along the East Coast which is problematic.

(8) The fishery management plan for summer flounder does not account for regional changes in the location of the fluke stock even though the stock has moved further to the north and changes in effort by anglers along the East Coast.

(9) The States have been locked in a management system based on data collected from 1981 to 1989, thus, the summer flounder stock is not being managed using the best available science and modern fishery management techniques.

(10) It is in the interest of the Federal Government to establish a new fishery management plan for summer flounder that is based on current geographic, scientific, and economic realities.

SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) COMMISSION.—The term ''Commission'' means the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.

(2) COUNCIL.—The term ''Council'' means the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council established under section 302(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1852(a)).

(3) NATIONAL STANDARDS.—The term ''National Standards'' means the national standards for fishery conservation and management set out in section 301(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1851(a)).

(4) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Commerce.

(5) SUMMER FLOUNDER.—The term ''summer flounder'' means the species Paralichthys dentatus.

SEC. 4. SUMMER FLOUNDER MANAGEMENT REFORM.

(a) FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN MODIFICATION.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Council shall submit to the Secretary, and the Secretary may approve, a modified fishery management plan for the commercial management of summer flounder under title III of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1851 et seq.) or an amendment to such plan that—

(1) shall be based on the best scientific information available;

(2) establishes commercial quotas in direct proportion to the distribution, abundance, and location of summer flounder as reflected by fishery independent surveys conducted by the National Marine Fisheries Service and State agencies;

(3) considers regional, coastwide, or other management measures for summer flounder that comply with the National Standards; and

(4) prohibits the establishment of commercial catch quotas for summer flounder on a State-by-State basis using historical landings data that does not reflect the status of the summer flounder stock, based on the most recent scientific information.

(b) CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSION.—In preparing the modified fishery management plan or an amendment to such a plan as described in subsection (a), the Council shall consult with the Commission to ensure consistent management throughout the range of the summer flounder.

(c) FAILURE TO SUBMIT PLAN.—If the Council fails to submit a modified fishery management plan or an amendment to such a plan as described in subsection (a) that may be approved by the Secretary, the Secretary shall prepare and consider such a modified plan or amendment.

SEC. 5. REPORT.

Not later than 1 year after the date of the approval under section 4 of a modified fishery management plan for the commercial management of summer flounder or an amendment to such plan, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report on the implementation of such modified plan or amendment that includes an assessment of whether such implementation complies with the National Standards.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA):

S. 1769. A bill to adjust the boundary of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area to include the Rim of the Valley Corridor, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I am pleased to reintroduce the ''Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act'' along with my California colleague Senator PADILLA.

This legislation, based on a Congressionally-authorized National Park Service study, would increase the size of the Santa Monica Recreation Area by 191,000 acres, accomplishing multiple goals of expanding access to green space for underserved communities and conserving and connecting wildlife habitat corridors, while maintaining private property rights and existing land-use authorities.

In 2008, Congress passed the Rim of the Valley Corridor Study Act, which directed the National Park Service to study the area. The park expansion in our bill is based upon this six-year special resource study.

This bill also takes into account more than 2,000 comments received by the public, elected officials, local organizations, and other stakeholders.

The ''Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act'' would add 191,000 acres to the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation area. This addition, known as the Rim of the Valley Unit, would provide improved recreational, educational, and outdoor opportunities to the local communities.

The proposed expansion would also better protect natural resources and habitats, including valuable habitat for endangered wildlife, such as the California red-legged frog, mountain lions, bobcats, foxes, badgers, coyotes, and deer.

Notably, the ''Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act'' would only allow the Department of the Interior to acquire non-Federal land within the new boundaries through exchange, donation, or purchase from willing sellers.

As I mentioned, this legislation will significantly expand outdoor recreational opportunities for residents of Los Angeles County, one of the most densely populated and park-poor areas in California. The impact of the coronavirus pandemic has only underscored the importance of having access to green spaces close to home.

In fact, 47% of Californians—that's six percent of the total U.S. population—live within two hours of the proposed expansion area. Enlarging the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, at no cost to U.S. taxpayers, will provide these communities with increased access to public lands and boost the local economy.

In light of President Biden's January 27, 2021 Executive Order on ''Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad'' setting the goal of protecting ''30 percent of our lands and waters by 2030'', this legislation aligns with that goal and provides an opportunity to advance it based on federal agency recommendation and a robust public process.

Last Congress, we successfully advanced this legislation out of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee in the Senate.

My colleague, Representative ADAM SCHIFF, reintroduced this legislation in the House, where it passed as part of a larger package in a bipartisan vote last February.

I look forward to working with my colleagues to pass the ''Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act'' out of the Senate as well.

Thank you, Mr. President, I yield the floor.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 227—HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CREATION OF WONDER BREAD IN INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Mr. BRAUN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 227

Whereas Wonder Bread became a dietary staple for the people of the United States, becoming synonymous with lunch time for school children, diners on highways, and

cafeterias in our factories and military bases, and it is part of the collective experience of living in the United States;

Whereas Wonder Bread was developed by the Taggart Baking Company;

Whereas Wonder Bread was founded in 1905 by brothers Alexander and Joseph Taggart and Alexander's son, Alexander Jr.;

Whereas the company's main factory was located at 18–28 North New Jersey Street in Indianapolis, Indiana;

Whereas Alexander and Joseph were immigrants from the Isle of Man, located in the Irish Sea, and their company became the largest bread bakery in the State of Indiana, producing over 300,000 loaves of bread per week;

Whereas people in the United States were turning away from home baked bread and purchasing their bread due to its convenience and affordability;

Whereas ''soft'' bread was desirable, leading the company to develop a bread with an even texture, soft crust, and a resiliency that enabled butter, jam, and peanut butter to be easily spread upon it;

Whereas Elmer Cline, the Taggart Vice President for merchandising development, came up with the name ''Wonder Bread'' and the colorful balloons on the packaging after watching a hot air balloon race at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway;

Whereas Wonder Bread was sold to the Continental Baking Company in 1925, and subsequently combined the standardized 1.5 pound loaves with the Otto Frederick Rohwedder invention for slicing newly baked bread in the factory and the Henri Sevigne machine that wrapped the loaves in waxed paper to ensure freshness, expanding the Wonder Bread identity, deliverability, and storage capability;

Whereas Wonder Bread's popularity greatly expanded after World War II, leading to a Government request to enhance Wonder Bread with vitamins and minerals to enable the company to advertise its nutritional qualities as well as its convenience;

Whereas Wonder Bread became a major sponsor of renowned children's television shows, and as a result, children from across the country embraced the bread even more;

Whereas the creation and rising popularity of Wonder Bread coincided with a new industrial era where factories produced food with uniform size and weight, and its pre-sliced convenience and being wrapped in resealable packaging made Wonder Bread an icon in the United States; and

Whereas Wonder Bread was not associated with a particular ethnic group, religion, or region of the country and was something new that all people of the United States were experiencing together as something that symbolized the collective experience of the post-war United States and all its possibilities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) while the Wonder Bread brand has been purchased by multiple companies in the last century, it will always be associated with Indianapolis, Indiana, where the Taggart brothers first developed it;

(2) the influence of the production, packaging, and advertising of Wonder Bread set a standard for an entire industry;

(3) Wonder Bread's story of being created by immigrants, combining with other innovations to create something entirely new, and embracing new means of advertising and distribution all combined to make the story of Wonder Bread unique to the United States;

(4) Wonder Bread, and its immediate association with childhood, is a touchstone for all people of the United States, a product that is iconic to our culture, and a symbol of the age in which it was developed; and

(5) the 100th anniversary of the launching of Wonder Bread is a moment to celebrate United States heritage and the innovation of the people of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 228—DESIGNATING MAY 15, 2021, AS ''KIDS TO PARKS DAY''

Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. BURR) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 228

Whereas the 11th annual Kids to Parks Day will be celebrated on May 15, 2021;

Whereas the goals of Kids to Parks Day are to—

(1) promote healthy outdoor recreation and responsible environmental stewardship;

(2) empower young people; and

(3) encourage families to get outdoors and visit the parks and public land of the United States;

Whereas, on Kids to Parks Day, individuals from rural, suburban, and urban areas of the United States can be reintroduced to the splendid National, State, and neighborhood parks located in their communities;

Whereas communities across the United States offer a variety of natural resources and public land, often with free access, to individuals seeking outdoor recreation;

Whereas the people of the United States, young and old, should be encouraged to lead more healthy and active lifestyles;

Whereas Kids to Parks Day is an opportunity for families to take a break from their busy lives and enjoy a day of active, wholesome fun; and

Whereas Kids to Parks Day will—

(1) broaden an appreciation for nature and the outdoors in young people;

(2) foster a safe setting for independent play and healthy adventure in neighborhood parks; and

(3) facilitate self-reliance while strengthening communities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates May 15, 2021, as ''Kids to Parks Day'';

(2) recognizes the importance of outdoor recreation and the preservation of open spaces for the health and education of the young people of the United States; and

(3) encourages the people of the United States to observe Kids to Parks Day with safe family trips to parks.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1704. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1705. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1706. Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. TUBERVILLE, and Mr. MARSHALL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1707. Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. MARSHALL, and Mr. BRAUN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1708. Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. LUJÁN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1709. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1710. Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. TILLIS, and Mr. TOOMEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1711. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1712. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1713. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1714. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1715. Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1716. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1717. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1738. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1739. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1740. Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1741. Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1742. Ms. SMITH (for herself and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1743. Mr. PADILLA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1744. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ROUNDS, and Ms. HASSAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1745. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. PORTMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1746. Mr. LUJÁN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1747. Mr. KING (for himself and Mr. LANKFORD) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1748. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1749. Ms. ERNST (for herself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. ROUNDS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1750. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. BURR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1751. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1752. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1753. Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1754. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. YOUNG, and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1755. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1756. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. DAINES) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1757. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. PORTMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1758. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. MORAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1759. Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1760. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1761. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1762. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1763. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1764. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1765. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1766. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1767. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1768. Ms. ROSEN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1769. Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1770. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. ERNST, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1771. Mr. BRAUN (for himself, Mr. DAINES, and Mr. LANKFORD) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1772. Mr. LANKFORD (for himself and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1773. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1774. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1775. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1776. Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Mr. KING, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1777. Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1778. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1779. Mr. MORAN (for himself and Ms. BALDWIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1780. Mr. TUBERVILLE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1781. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1782. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1783. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1784. Mr. DAINES (for himself and Mr. PETERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1785. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1786. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1787. Mr. DAINES (for himself and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1788. Mr. DAINES (for himself and Ms. SINEMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1789. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1790. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1791. Ms. LUMMIS (for herself, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1792. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1793. Mr. DAINES (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1794. Mr. VAN HOLLEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1795. Mr. DURBIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1796. Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1797. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Ms. HASSAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1798. Ms. WARREN (for herself and Mr. SANDERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1799. Ms. HASSAN (for herself and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1800. Mr. TILLIS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1801. Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1802. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. SASSE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1803. Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1804. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1805. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1806. Mrs. FEINSTEIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1807. Mr. SCHATZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1808. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1809. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1810. Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. CORNYN, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1811. Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1812. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1816. Mr. KELLY (for himself and Ms. SINEMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1817. Mr. BURR (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1818. Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. CARPER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1819. Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. BURR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1820. Mr. MARSHALL (for himself and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1822. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1824. Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. LUJÁN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1825. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1829. Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1831. Ms. HASSAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1837. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1838. Mr. RISCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1839. Mr. RISCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1840. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1841. Mrs. HYDE–SMITH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1842. Mr. ROMNEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1843. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1847. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1848. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1849. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1850. Mr. BLUMENTHAL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1851. Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. PETERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1852. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1853. Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. KAINE, and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1854. Mr. MANCHIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 1857. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1858. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. COTTON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1859. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1860. Mr. HOEVEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1861. Mr. HOEVEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1862. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1863. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1864. Mr. MURPHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1865. Mr. MURPHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1866. Mr. WHITEHOUSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1867. Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1868. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1869. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1870. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1871. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1872. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1873. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1874. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1875. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for Mr. KING) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 194, celebrating the 149th anniversary of Arbor Day.

SA 1876. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1877. Mr. BARRASSO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1878. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1879. Ms. BALDWIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1880. Ms. BALDWIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1881. Mr. PETERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1882. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1883. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1884. Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. HAGERTY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1885. Mr. HAGERTY (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. CORNYN, and Mrs. BLACKBURN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1886. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1887. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1888. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1889. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1890. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1891. Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. DAINES , Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1892. Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mr. MORAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1893. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1894. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1895. Mr. KAINE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1896. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1897. Mr. MANCHIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1898. Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1899. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1900. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1708 submitted by Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. LUJÁN) and intended to be proposed to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1901. Mr. SULLIVAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1902. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1903. Mr. ROMNEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1904. Mr. ROMNEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1905. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1906. Ms. ROSEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1907. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1908. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1909. Mr. BROWN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1910. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1911. Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1912. Mrs. HYDE–SMITH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1913. Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. LEE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1914. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1915. Mr. HICKENLOOPER (for himself and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1916. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1917. Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1918. Mr. SULLIVAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1919. Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. COTTON, and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1704. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN OFFICIALS OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall impose sanctions under section 1263(b) of the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act (Subtitle F of title XII of Public Law 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 2656 note) with respect to the officials specified in subsection (b).

(b) OFFICIALS SPECIFIED.—The officials of the People's Republic of China specified in this subsection are the following:

(1) Chen Quanguo.
(2) Wu Yingjie.
(3) Luo Huining.
(4) Han Zheng.
(5) Xia Baolong.
(6) Zhao Kezhi.
(7) Zhu Hailun.

SA 1705. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division B, add the following:

SEC. 2309. PROHIBITION AGAINST NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION FUNDING FOR FOREIGN ENTITIES OF CONCERN.

(a) INELIGIBILITY FOR NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION FUNDING.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Director of the National Science Foundation may not issue an award to a foreign entity of concern (as defined in section 2307(a)(1)).

SA 1706. Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. TUBERVILLE, and Mr. MARSHALL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. ENSURING THAT THE SCOPE OF CERTAIN REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES IS LIMITED TO CONTROLLING COMMUNICABLE DISEASES.

Section 361(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 264(a)) is amended by striking ''The Surgeon General,'' and all that follows through ''may be necessary.'' at the end and inserting the following: ''To prevent the introduction, transmission, or spread of communicable diseases from foreign countries into the States or possessions, or from one State or possession into any other State or possession, the Secretary may make and enforce regulations under this section—

''(1) for the measures authorized under subsections (b) through (d); or

''(2) to provide for such inspection, fumigation, disinfection, sanitation, pest extermination, or destruction of animals or articles found to be so infected or contaminated as to be sources of dangerous infection to human beings.''.

SA 1707. Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. MARSHALL, and Mr. BRAUN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. PROHIBITION ON FUNDING FOR GAIN-OF-FUNCTION RESEARCH CONDUCTED IN CHINA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—No funds made available to any Federal agency, including the National Institutes of Health and the Department of State, may be used for any gain-of-function research conducted in China.

(b) DEFINITION OF GAIN-OF-FUNCTION RESEARCH.—In this section, the term ''gain-of-function research'' means any research project that may be reasonably anticipated to confer attributes to influenza, MERS, or SARS viruses such that the virus would have enhanced pathogenicity or transmissibility in mammals.

SA 1708. Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. LUJAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, add the following:

SEC. _____. STUDY ON NATIONAL LABORATORY CONSORTIUM FOR CYBER RESILIENCE.

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Homeland Security shall, in coordination with the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of Defense, conduct a study to analyze the feasibility of authorizing a consortia within the National Laboratory system to address information technology and operational technology cybersecurity vulnerabilities in critical infrastructure (as defined in section 1016(e) of the Critical Infrastructures Protection Act of 2001 (42 U.S.C. 5195c(e)).

(b) ELEMENTS.—The study required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An analysis of any additional authorities needed to establish a research and development program to leverage the expertise at the Department of Energy National Laboratories to accelerate development and delivery of advanced tools and techniques to defend critical infrastructure against cyber intrusions and enable resilient operations during a cyber attack.

(2) Evaluation of potential pilot programs in research, innovation transfer, academic partnerships, and industry partnerships for critical infrastructure protection research.

(3) Identification of and assessment of near-term actions, and cost estimates, necessary for the proposed consortia to be established and effective at a broad scale expeditiously.

(c) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the findings of the Secretary with respect to the study conducted under subsection (a).

(2) FORM.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(3) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) Committee on Armed Services, the Committee Energy and Natural Resources, and the Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives.

SA 1709. Mr. COTTON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 41, strike line 20 and all that follows through page 42, line 12, and insert the following:

(8) INDIVIDUALS THAT WILL GROW THE DOMESTIC WORKFORCE.—The term ''individuals that will grow the domestic workforce'' does not include any alien (as defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a))) who is unlawfully present in the United States.

(9) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term ''institution of higher education'' has the meaning given the term in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

(10) KEY TECHNOLOGY FOCUS AREAS.—The term ''key technology focus areas'' means the areas included on the most recent list under section 2005.

(11) MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term ''minority-serving institution'' means an institution described in section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)).

(12) NATIONAL LABORATORY.—The term ''National Laboratory'', without respect to capitalization, has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801).

(13) STEM.—The term ''STEM'' means the academic and professional disciplines of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, including computer science.

SA 1710. Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. TILLIS, and Mr. TOOMEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3314. PROHIBITION ON ALLOCATIONS OF SPECIAL DRAWING RIGHTS AT INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND FOR PERPETRATORS OF GENOCIDE AND STATE SPONSORS OF TERRORISM WITHOUT CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORIZATION.

Section 6(b) of the Special Drawing Rights Act (22 U.S.C. 286q(b)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(3) Unless Congress by law authorizes such action, neither the President nor any person or agency shall on behalf of the United States vote to allocate Special Drawing Rights under article XVIII, sections 2 and 3, of the Articles of Agreement of the Fund to a member country of the Fund, if the government of the member country has—

''(A) committed genocide at any time during the 10-year period ending with the date of the vote; or

''(B) been determined by the Secretary of State, as of the date of the enactment of the Strategic Competition Act of 2021, to have repeatedly provided support for acts of international terrorism, for purposes of—

''(i) section 1754(c)(1)(A)(i) of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4813(c)(1)(A)(i));

''(ii) section 620A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371);

''(iii) section 40(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2780(d)); or

''(iv) any other provision of law.''.

SA 1711. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 475, on line 15, strike ''unless'' and all that follows through line 12 of page 477.

Beginning on page 1410, strike line 1 and all that follows through line 10 on page 1412 and insert the following:

(b) RESTRICTIONS ON CONFUCIUS INSTITUTES.—An institution of higher education that maintains a contract or agreement between the institution and a Confucius Institute shall not be eligible to receive Federal funds provided under the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), except funds provided under title IV of such Act.

SA 1712. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON NEGOTIATION OF A FREE TRADE AGREEMENT WITH TAIWAN.

It is the sense of Congress that the President should initiate negotiations to enter into a free trade agreement with Taiwan.

SA 1713. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

SEC. 3_____. DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENT FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS RECEIVING FUNDING FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

An alien present in the United States pursuant to a visa issued under subparagraph (F) or (J) of section 101(a)(15) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)) shall disclose to the Secretary of Homeland Security any funding received by the alien, directly or indirectly, from the Government of the PRC.

SA 1714. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

SEC. ____. PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN SOLAR PRODUCTS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The importation into the United States of solar products described in subsection (b) is prohibited.

(b) SOLAR PRODUCTS DESCRIBED.—A solar product described in this subsection is a solar product—

(1) produced in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of the People's Republic of China; or

(2) produced using forced labor anywhere in the People's Republic of China.

SA 1715. Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 3219K, add the following:

(c) SUPPORT FOR POWER-GENERATION PROJECTS IN CERTAIN LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.—Notwithstanding any provision of law, or rule, regulation, plan, or policy of the United States International Development Finance Corporation, the Corporation may provide support under title II of the Better Utilization of Investments Leading to Development Act of 2018 (22 U.S.C. 9621 et seq.) for any power-generation project in a less developed country described in section 1412(c)(1) of that Act (22 U.S.C. 9612(c)(1)).

SA 1716. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

SEC. ___. ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY TASK FORCE.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term ''agency'' has the meaning given the term in section 551 of title 5, United States Code;

(2) the term ''Chairperson'' means the chairperson of the Task Force;

(3) the term ''covered funds'' means any loan, loan guarantee, grant, or any other funds received or distributed under this section; and

(4) the term ''Task Force'' means the Accountability and Transparency Task Force established under subsection (b).

(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the Accountability and Transparency Task Force to coordinate and conduct oversight of covered funds to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.

(c) COMPOSITION OF THE TASK FORCE.—

(1) CHAIRPERSON.—The Chairperson of the Task Force shall be the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(2) MEMBERS.—The members of the Task Force shall include the Inspector General or analogous officer of any agency that receives and distributes covered funds.

(3) COMPENSATION.—No member of the Task Force shall receive any additional compensation for serving on the Task Force.

(d) FUNCTIONS OF THE TASK FORCE.—

(1) FUNCTIONS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Task Force shall coordinate and conduct oversight of covered funds in order to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.

(B) SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS.—The functions of the Task Force shall include—

(i) reviewing whether the reporting of covered funds meets applicable standards and specifies the purpose of the use of the covered funds and measures of performance;

(ii) reviewing whether competition requirements applicable to covered funds have been satisfied;

(iii) auditing or reviewing covered funds to determine whether wasteful spending, poor management of covered funds, or other abuses are occurring and referring matters it considers appropriate for investigation to the inspector general for the agency that disbursed the covered funds;

(iv) reviewing whether there are sufficient qualified acquisition and grant personnel overseeing covered funds;

(v) reviewing whether personnel whose duties involve acquisitions or the use of covered funds receive adequate training; and

(vi) reviewing whether there are appropriate mechanisms for interagency collaboration relating to covered funds, including coordinating and collaborating to the extent practicable with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency.

(2) REPORTS.—

(A) MONTHLY AND OTHER REPORTS.—

(i) MONTHLY.—The Task Force shall submit to the President and Congress, including the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, and any member of Congress upon request, monthly reports on potential management and funding problems relating to covered funds that require immediate attention.

(ii) ADDITIONAL REPORTS.—The Task Force shall submit to the President, Congress, and any member of Congress upon request such

other reports as the Task Force considers appropriate on the use and benefits of covered funds.

(B) QUARTERLY AND OTHER REPORTS.—The Task Force shall submit quarterly reports to the President and Congress, including the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, and any member of Congress upon request, summarizing the findings of the Task Force and the findings of the members of the Task Force, and may submit additional reports as appropriate.

(C) ANNUAL REPORTS.—The Task Force shall submit annual reports to the President and Congress, including the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, and any member of Congress upon request, consolidating applicable quarterly reports on the use of covered funds.

(D) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—All reports submitted under this paragraph shall be made publicly available and posted on the website established under subsection (f).

(ii) REDACTIONS.—Any portion of a report submitted under this paragraph may be redacted when made publicly available, if that portion would disclose information that is not subject to disclosure under sections 552 and 552a of title 5, United States Code.

(3) RECOMMENDATIONS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Task Force shall make recommendations to agencies on measures to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse relating to covered funds.

(B) RESPONSIVE REPORTS.—Not later than 30 days after receipt of a recommendation under subparagraph (A), an agency shall submit a report to the President, the congressional committees of jurisdiction, including the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, and the Task Force on—

(i) whether the agency agrees or disagrees with the recommendations; and

(ii) any actions the agency will take to implement the recommendations.

(e) POWERS OF THE TASK FORCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Task Force shall conduct audits and reviews of spending of covered funds and coordinate on such activities with the Inspector General of the relevant agency to avoid duplication and overlap of work.

(2) AUDITS AND REVIEWS.—The Task Force may—

(A) conduct its own independent audits and reviews relating to covered funds; and

(B) collaborate on audits and reviews relating to covered funds with any Inspector General of an agency.

(3) AUTHORITIES.—

(A) AUDITS AND REVIEWS.—In conducting audits and reviews, the Task Force—

(i) shall have the authorities provided under section 6 of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.); and

(ii) may issue subpoenas to compel the testimony of persons who are not Federal officers or employees and may enforce such subpoenas in the same manner as provided for subpoenas under section 6 of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(B) STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES.—The Task Force shall carry out the powers under paragraphs (1) and (2) in accordance with section 4(b)(1) of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(4) PUBLIC HEARINGS.—The Task Force may hold public hearings and Task Force personnel may conduct necessary inquiries. The head of each agency shall make all officers and employees of that agency available to provide testimony to the Task Force and Task Force personnel. The Task Force may issue subpoenas to compel the testimony of persons who are not Federal officers or employees at such public hearings. Any such subpoenas may be enforced in the same manner as provided for subpoenas under section 6 of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(f) TASK FORCE WEBSITE.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall establish and maintain a user-friendly, public-facing website to foster greater accountability and transparency in the use of covered funds.

(2) PURPOSE.—The website established and maintained under paragraph (1) shall be a portal or gateway to key information relating to this section and provide connections to other Government websites with related information.

(3) CONTENT AND FUNCTION.—In establishing the website established and maintained under paragraph (1), the Task Force shall ensure the following:

(A) The website shall provide materials explaining what this section means for citizens. The materials shall be easy to understand and regularly updated.

(B) The website shall provide accountability information, including findings from audits, inspectors general, and the Government Accountability Office.

(C) The website shall provide data on relevant economic, financial, grant, and contract information in user-friendly visual presentations to enhance public awareness of the use of covered funds.

(D) The website shall provide detailed data on covered funds awarded by the Federal Government, including information about the competitiveness of the contracting process, information about the process that was used for the award of covered funds, and for covered funds over $500,000, a summary of any related contract.

(E) The website shall include printable reports on covered funds obligated by month to each State and congressional district.

(F) The website shall provide a means for the public to give feedback on the performance of activities carried out with covered funds.

(G) The website shall include detailed information on the expenditure by the Federal Government of covered funds, to include the data elements required to comply with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note), allowing aggregate reporting on awards below $25,000 or to individuals, as prescribed by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(H) The website shall provide a link to estimates of the jobs sustained or created by this section.

(I) The website shall provide a link to information about announcements of grant competitions and solicitations for contracts to be awarded.

(J) The website shall include appropriate links to other government websites with information concerning covered funds, including Federal agency and State websites.

(K) The website shall include a plan from each Federal agency for using funds made available in this section to the agency.

(L) The website shall provide information on Federal allocations of formula grants and awards of competitive grants using covered funds.

(M) The website shall provide information on Federal allocations of mandatory and other entitlement programs by State, county, or other appropriate geographical unit.

(N) The website shall be enhanced and updated as necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

(4) WAIVER.—The Task Force may exclude posting contractual or other information on the website on a case-by-case basis when necessary to protect national security or to protect information that is not subject to disclosure under sections 552 and 552a of title 5, United States Code.

(g) INDEPENDENCE OF INSPECTORS GENERAL.—

(1) INDEPENDENT AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this section shall affect the independent authority of an inspector general to determine whether to conduct an audit or investigation of covered funds.

(2) REQUESTS BY TASK FORCE.—If the Task Force requests that an Inspector General of an agency conduct or refrain from conducting an audit or investigation and the Inspector General rejects the request in whole or in part—

(A) the Inspector General shall, not later than 30 days after rejecting the request, submit a report to the Task Force, the head of the applicable agency, and the congressional committees of jurisdiction, including the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives, that states the reasons that the Inspector General has rejected the request in whole or in part; and

(B) the decision of the Inspector General shall be final.

(h) COORDINATION WITH THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL AND STATE AUDITORS.—The Task Force shall coordinate its oversight activities with the Comptroller General of the United States and State auditors.

(i) TERMINATION OF THE TASK FORCE.—The Task Force shall terminate on the date that is 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 1717. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

TITLE ____—REINS ACT

SEC. ____01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Regulations from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act of 2021'' or the ''REINS Act''

SEC. ____02. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this title is to increase accountability for and transparency in the Federal regulatory process. Section 1 of article I of the United States Constitution grants all legislative powers to Congress. Over time, Congress has excessively delegated its constitutional charge while failing to conduct appropriate oversight and retain accountability for the content of the laws it passes. By requiring a vote in Congress, the REINS Act will result in more carefully drafted and detailed legislation, an improved regulatory process, and a legislative branch that is truly accountable to the American people for the laws imposed upon them.

SEC. ____03. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF AGENCY RULEMAKING.

Chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

''CHAPTER 8—CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF AGENCY RULEMAKING

''Sec.

''801. Congressional review.
''802. Congressional approval procedure for major rules.
''803. Congressional disapproval procedure for nonmajor rules.
''804. Definitions.
''805. Judicial review.
''806. Exemption for monetary policy.
''807. Effective date of certain rules.

''§ 801. Congressional review

''(a)(1)(A) Before a rule may take effect, the Federal agency promulgating such rule shall publish in the Federal Register a list of information on which the rule is based, including data, scientific and economic studies, and cost-benefit analyses, and identify how the public can access such information online, and shall submit to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General a report containing—

''(i) a copy of the rule;

''(ii) a concise general statement relating to the rule;

''(iii) a classification of the rule as a major or nonmajor rule, including an explanation of the classification specifically addressing each criteria for a major rule contained within subparagraphs (A) through (C) of section 804(2);

''(iv) a list of any other related regulatory actions intended to implement the same statutory provision or regulatory objective as well as the individual and aggregate economic effects of those actions; and

''(v) the proposed effective date of the rule.

''(B) On the date of the submission of the report under subparagraph (A), the Federal agency promulgating the rule shall submit to the Comptroller General and make available to each House of Congress—

''(i) a complete copy of the cost-benefit analysis of the rule, if any, including an analysis of any jobs added or lost, differentiating between public and private sector jobs;

''(ii) the agency's actions pursuant to sections 603, 604, 605, 607, and 609 of this title;

''(iii) the agency's actions pursuant to sections 202, 203, 204, and 205 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995; and

''(iv) any other relevant information or requirements under any other Act and any relevant Executive orders.

''(C) Upon receipt of a report submitted under subparagraph (A), each House shall provide copies of the report to the chairman and ranking member of each standing committee with jurisdiction under the rules of the House of Representatives or the Senate to report a bill to amend the provision of law under which the rule is issued.

''(2)(A) The Comptroller General shall provide a report on each major rule to the committees of jurisdiction by the end of 15 calendar days after the submission or publication date. The report of the Comptroller General shall include an assessment of the agency's compliance with procedural steps required by paragraph (1)(B) and an assessment of whether the major rule imposes any new limits or mandates on private-sector activity.

''(B) Federal agencies shall cooperate with the Comptroller General by providing information relevant to the Comptroller General's report under subparagraph (A).

''(3) A major rule relating to a report submitted under paragraph (1) shall take effect upon enactment of a joint resolution of approval described in section 802 or as provided for in the rule following enactment of a joint resolution of approval described in section 802, whichever is later.

''(4) A nonmajor rule shall take effect as provided by section 803 after submission to Congress under paragraph (1).

''(5) If a joint resolution of approval relating to a major rule is not enacted within the period provided in subsection (b)(2), then a joint resolution of approval relating to the same rule may not be considered under this chapter in the same Congress by either the House of Representatives or the Senate.

''(b)(1) A major rule shall not take effect unless the Congress enacts a joint resolution of approval described under section 802.

''(2) If a joint resolution described in subsection (a) is not enacted into law by the end of 70 session days or legislative days, as applicable, beginning on the date on which the report referred to in subsection (a)(1)(A) is received by Congress (excluding days either House of Congress is adjourned for more than 3 days during a session of Congress), then the rule described in that resolution shall be deemed not to be approved and such rule shall not take effect.

''(c)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section (except subject to paragraph (3)), a major rule may take effect for one 90-calendar-day period if the President makes a determination under paragraph (2) and submits written notice of such determination to the Congress.

''(2) Paragraph (1) applies to a determination made by the President by Executive order that the major rule should take effect because such rule is—

''(A) necessary because of an imminent threat to health or safety or other emergency;

''(B) necessary for the enforcement of criminal laws;

''(C) necessary for national security; or

''(D) issued pursuant to any statute implementing an international trade agreement.

''(3) An exercise by the President of the authority under this subsection shall have no effect on the procedures under section 802.

''(d)(1) In addition to the opportunity for review otherwise provided under this chapter, in the case of any rule for which a report was submitted in accordance with subsection (a)(1)(A) during the period beginning on the date occurring—

''(A) in the case of the Senate, 60 session days; or

''(B) in the case of the House of Representatives, 60 legislative days,

before the date the Congress is scheduled to adjourn a session of Congress through the date on which the same or succeeding Congress first convenes its next session, sections 802 and 803 shall apply to such rule in the succeeding session of Congress.

''(2)(A) In applying sections 802 and 803 for purposes of such additional review, a rule described under paragraph (1) shall be treated as though—

''(i) such rule were published in the Federal Register on—

''(I) in the case of the Senate, the 15th session day; or

''(II) in the case of the House of Representatives, the 15th legislative day,

after the succeeding session of Congress first convenes; and

''(ii) a report on such rule were submitted to Congress under subsection (a)(1) on such date.

''(B) Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to affect the requirement under subsection (a)(1) that a report shall be submitted to Congress before a rule can take effect.

''(3) A rule described under paragraph (1) shall take effect as otherwise provided by law (including other subsections of this section).

''§ 802. Congressional approval procedure for major rules

''(a)(1) For purposes of this section, the term 'joint resolution' means only a joint resolution addressing a report classifying a rule as major pursuant to section 801(a)(1)(A)(iii) that—

''(A) bears no preamble;

''(B) bears the following title (with blanks filled as appropriate): 'Approving the rule submitted by _____ relating to _____.';

''(C) includes after its resolving clause only the following (with blanks filled as appropriate): 'That Congress approves the rule submitted by _____ relating to _____.'; and

''(D) is introduced pursuant to paragraph (2).

''(2) After a House of Congress receives a report classifying a rule as major pursuant to section 801(a)(1)(A)(iii), the majority leader of that House (or his or her respective designee) shall introduce (by request, if appropriate) a joint resolution described in paragraph (1)—

''(A) in the case of the House of Representatives, within 3 legislative days; and

''(B) in the case of the Senate, within 3 session days.

''(3) A joint resolution described in paragraph (1) shall not be subject to amendment at any stage of proceeding.

''(b) A joint resolution described in subsection (a) shall be referred in each House of Congress to the committees having jurisdiction over the provision of law under which the rule is issued.

''(c) In the Senate, if the committee or committees to which a joint resolution described in subsection (a) has been referred have not reported it at the end of 15 session days after its introduction, such committee or committees shall be automatically discharged from further consideration of the resolution and it shall be placed on the calendar. A vote on final passage of the resolution shall be taken on or before the close of the 15th session day after the resolution is reported by the committee or committees to which it was referred, or after such committee or committees have been discharged from further consideration of the resolution.

''(d)(1) In the Senate, when the committee or committees to which a joint resolution is referred have reported, or when a committee or committees are discharged (under subsection (c)) from further consideration of a joint resolution described in subsection (a), it is at any time thereafter in order (even though a previous motion to the same effect has been disagreed to) for a motion to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution, and all points of order against the joint resolution (and against consideration of the joint resolution) are waived. The motion is not subject to amendment, or to a motion to postpone, or to a motion to proceed to the consideration of other business. A motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is agreed to or disagreed to shall not be in order. If a motion to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution is agreed to, the joint resolution shall remain the unfinished business of the Senate until disposed of.

''(2) In the Senate, debate on the joint resolution, and on all debatable motions and appeals in connection therewith, shall be limited to not more than 2 hours, which shall be divided equally between those favoring and those opposing the joint resolution. A motion to further limit debate is in order and not debatable. An amendment to, or a motion to postpone, or a motion to proceed to the consideration of other business, or a motion to recommit the joint resolution is not in order.

''(3) In the Senate, immediately following the conclusion of the debate on a joint resolution described in subsection (a), and a single quorum call at the conclusion of the debate if requested in accordance with the rules of the Senate, the vote on final passage of the joint resolution shall occur.

''(4) Appeals from the decisions of the Chair relating to the application of the rules of the Senate to the procedure relating to a

joint resolution described in subsection (a) shall be decided without debate.

''(e) In the House of Representatives, if any committee to which a joint resolution described in subsection (a) has been referred has not reported it to the House at the end of 15 legislative days after its introduction, such committee shall be discharged from further consideration of the joint resolution, and it shall be placed on the appropriate calendar. On the second and fourth Thursdays of each month it shall be in order at any time for the Speaker to recognize a Member who favors passage of a joint resolution that has appeared on the calendar for at least 5 legislative days to call up that joint resolution for immediate consideration in the House without intervention of any point of order. When so called up a joint resolution shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and the previous question shall be considered as ordered to its passage without intervening motion. It shall not be in order to reconsider the vote on passage. If a vote on final passage of the joint resolution has not been taken by the third Thursday on which the Speaker may recognize a Member under this subsection, such vote shall be taken on that day.

''(f)(1) If, before passing a joint resolution described in subsection (a), one House receives from the other a joint resolution having the same text, then—

''(A) the joint resolution of the other House shall not be referred to a committee; and

''(B) the procedure in the receiving House shall be the same as if no joint resolution had been received from the other House until the vote on passage, when the joint resolution received from the other House shall supplant the joint resolution of the receiving House.

''(2) This subsection shall not apply to the House of Representatives if the joint resolution received from the Senate is a revenue measure.

''(g) If either House has not taken a vote on final passage of the joint resolution by the last day of the period described in section 801(b)(2), then such vote shall be taken on that day.

''(h) This section and section 803 are enacted by Congress—

''(1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively, and as such are deemed to be part of the rules of each House, respectively, but applicable only with respect to the procedure to be followed in that House in the case of a joint resolution described in subsection (a) and superseding other rules only where explicitly so; and

''(2) with full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change the rules (so far as they relate to the procedure of that House) at any time, in the same manner and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of that House.

''§ 803. Congressional disapproval procedure for nonmajor rules

''(a) For purposes of this section, the term 'joint resolution' means only a joint resolution introduced in the period beginning on the date on which the report referred to in section 801(a)(1)(A) is received by Congress and ending 60 days thereafter (excluding days either House of Congress is adjourned for more than 3 days during a session of Congress), the matter after the resolving clause of which is as follows: 'That Congress disapproves the nonmajor rule submitted by the _____ relating to _____, and such rule shall have no force or effect.' (The blank spaces being appropriately filled in).

''(b) A joint resolution described in subsection (a) shall be referred to the committees in each House of Congress with jurisdiction.

''(c) In the Senate, if the committee to which is referred a joint resolution described in subsection (a) has not reported such joint resolution (or an identical joint resolution) at the end of 15 session days after the date of introduction of the joint resolution, such committee may be discharged from further consideration of such joint resolution upon a petition supported in writing by 30 Members of the Senate, and such joint resolution shall be placed on the calendar.

''(d)(1) In the Senate, when the committee to which a joint resolution is referred has reported, or when a committee is discharged (under subsection (c)) from further consideration of a joint resolution described in subsection (a), it is at any time thereafter in order (even though a previous motion to the same effect has been disagreed to) for a motion to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution, and all points of order against the joint resolution (and against consideration of the joint resolution) are waived. The motion is not subject to amendment, or to a motion to postpone, or to a motion to proceed to the consideration of other business. A motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is agreed to or disagreed to shall not be in order. If a motion to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution is agreed to, the joint resolution shall remain the unfinished business of the Senate until disposed of.

''(2) In the Senate, debate on the joint resolution, and on all debatable motions and appeals in connection therewith, shall be limited to not more than 10 hours, which shall be divided equally between those favoring and those opposing the joint resolution. A motion to further limit debate is in order and not debatable. An amendment to, or a motion to postpone, or a motion to proceed to the consideration of other business, or a motion to recommit the joint resolution is not in order.

''(3) In the Senate, immediately following the conclusion of the debate on a joint resolution described in subsection (a), and a single quorum call at the conclusion of the debate if requested in accordance with the rules of the Senate, the vote on final passage of the joint resolution shall occur.

''(4) Appeals from the decisions of the Chair relating to the application of the rules of the Senate to the procedure relating to a joint resolution described in subsection (a) shall be decided without debate.

''(e) In the Senate, the procedure specified in subsection (c) or (d) shall not apply to the consideration of a joint resolution respecting a nonmajor rule—

''(1) after the expiration of the 60 session days beginning with the applicable submission or publication date; or

''(2) if the report under section 801(a)(1)(A) was submitted during the period referred to in section 801(d)(1), after the expiration of the 60 session days beginning on the 15th session day after the succeeding session of Congress first convenes.

''(f) If, before the passage by one House of a joint resolution of that House described in subsection (a), that House receives from the other House a joint resolution described in subsection (a), then the following procedures shall apply:

''(1) The joint resolution of the other House shall not be referred to a committee.

''(2) With respect to a joint resolution described in subsection (a) of the House receiving the joint resolution—

''(A) the procedure in that House shall be the same as if no joint resolution had been received from the other House; but

''(B) the vote on final passage shall be on the joint resolution of the other House.

''§ 804. Definitions

''For purposes of this chapter:

''(1) The term 'Federal agency' means any agency as that term is defined in section 551(1).

''(2) The term 'major rule' means any rule, including an interim final rule, that the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget finds has resulted in or is likely to result in—

''(A) an annual effect on the economy of $100 million or more;

''(B) a major increase in costs or prices for consumers, individual industries, Federal, State, or local government agencies, or geographic regions; or

''(C) significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or the ability of United States-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises in domestic and export markets.

''(3) The term 'nonmajor rule' means any rule that is not a major rule.

''(4) The term 'rule' has the meaning given such term in section 551, except that such term does not include—

''(A) any rule of particular applicability, including a rule that approves or prescribes for the future rates, wages, prices, services, or allowances therefore, corporate or financial structures, reorganizations, mergers, or acquisitions thereof, or accounting practices or disclosures bearing on any of the foregoing;

''(B) any rule relating to agency management or personnel; or

''(C) any rule of agency organization, procedure, or practice that does not substantially affect the rights or obligations of nonagency parties.

''(5) The term 'submission or publication date', except as otherwise provided in this chapter, means—

''(A) in the case of a major rule, the date on which the Congress receives the report submitted under section 801(a)(1); and

''(B) in the case of a nonmajor rule, the later of—

''(i) the date on which the Congress receives the report submitted under section 801(a)(1); and

''(ii) the date on which the nonmajor rule is published in the Federal Register, if so published.

''§ 805. Judicial review

''(a) No determination, finding, action, or omission under this chapter shall be subject to judicial review.

''(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), a court may determine whether a Federal agency has completed the necessary requirements under this chapter for a rule to take effect.

''(c) The enactment of a joint resolution of approval under section 802 shall not be interpreted to serve as a grant or modification of statutory authority by Congress for the promulgation of a rule, shall not extinguish or affect any claim, whether substantive or procedural, against any alleged defect in a rule, and shall not form part of the record before the court in any judicial proceeding concerning a rule except for purposes of determining whether or not the rule is in effect.

''§ 806. Exemption for monetary policy

''Nothing in this chapter shall apply to rules that concern monetary policy proposed or implemented by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or the Federal Open Market Committee.

''§ 807. Effective date of certain rules

''Notwithstanding section 801—

''(1) any rule that establishes, modifies, opens, closes, or conducts a regulatory program for a commercial, recreational, or subsistence activity related to hunting, fishing, or camping; or

''(2) any rule other than a major rule which an agency for good cause finds (and incorporates the finding and a brief statement of reasons therefore in the rule issued) that notice and public procedure thereon are impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest,

shall take effect at such time as the Federal agency promulgating the rule determines.''.

SEC. ____04. BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF RULES SUBJECT TO SECTION 802 OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 257(b)(2) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 907(b)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(E) BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF RULES SUBJECT TO SECTION 802 OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE.—Any rule subject to the congressional approval procedure set forth in section 802 of chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, affecting budget authority, outlays, or receipts shall be assumed to be effective unless it is not approved in accordance with such section.''.

SEC. ____05. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE STUDY OF RULES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a study to determine, as of the date of the enactment of this Act—

(1) how many rules (as such term is defined in section 804 of title 5, United States Code) were in effect;

(2) how many major rules (as such term is defined in section 804 of title 5, United States Code) were in effect; and

(3) the total estimated economic cost imposed by all such rules.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit a report to Congress that contains the findings of the study conducted under subsection (a).

SA 1718. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 33, strike line 25 and all that follows through page 35, line 5, and insert the following:

(B) ALLOCATION BY PRESIDENT.—If Congress has not enacted legislation establishing alternate allocations, including by account, program, and project, by the date on which the Act making full-year appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the applicable fiscal year is enacted into law, only then shall amounts recommended for allocation for that fiscal year from amounts made available under subsection (a) be allocated by the President or apportioned or allotted by account, program, and project pursuant to title 31, United States Code.

SA 1719. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 1002(b)(3)(B)(ii) and insert the following:

(ii) ALLOCATION BY PRESIDENT.—If Congress has not enacted legislation establishing alternate allocations, including by account, program element, and project, by the date on which the Act making full-year appropriations for the Department of Defense for the applicable fiscal year is enacted into law, only then shall amounts made available under paragraph (2) be allocated by the President or apportioned or allotted by account, program element, and project pursuant to title 31, United States Code.

SA 1720. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 1002(a)(4)(B)(ii) and insert the following:

(ii) ALLOCATION BY PRESIDENT.—If Congress has not enacted legislation establishing alternate allocations, including by account, program, and project, by the date on which the Act making full-year appropriations for the Department of Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the applicable fiscal year is enacted into law, only then shall amounts made available under paragraph (2) be allocated by the President or apportioned or allotted by account, program, and project pursuant to title 31, United States Code.

SA 1721. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1107, line 5, strike ''may'' and insert ''shall''.

On page 1107, line 18, strike ''25 percent'' and insert ''10 percent''.

Beginning on page 1107, strike line 19 and all that follows through page 1108, line 6, and insert the following:

(c) AUTOMATIC SUNSET ON WAIVERS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY.—

On page 1109, line 4, strike ''(e)'' and insert ''(d)''.

SA 1722. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2210.

SA 1723. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 1002(c)(3)(B)(ii) and insert the following:

(ii) ALLOCATION BY PRESIDENT.—If Congress has not enacted legislation establishing alternate allocations, including by account, program, project, and activity, by the date on which the Act making full-year appropriations for the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs for the applicable fiscal year is enacted into law, only then shall amounts made available under paragraph (2) be allocated by the President or apportioned or allotted by account, program, project, and activity pursuant to title 31, United States Code.

SA 1724. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2202, strike subsection (f).

SA 1725. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes;

which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. AVAILABILITY OF REPORTS TO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.

Any report required by a provision of or amendment made by this Act shall be made available to a Member of Congress upon request.

SA 1726. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3314. REPORT ON FORCED LABOR IN UNITED STATES SUPPLY CHAINS.

The Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection shall submit to Congress a report—

(1) assessing the prevalence of goods made with forced labor in United States supply chains; and

(2) making recommendations with respect to preventing the importation of such goods into the United States.

SA 1727. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF UNILATERAL TRADE ACTIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 5 of title I of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2191 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 155. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF UNILATERAL TRADE ACTIONS.

''(a) UNILATERAL TRADE ACTION DEFINED.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, the term 'unilateral trade action' means any of the following actions taken with respect to the importation of an article pursuant to a provision of law specified in paragraph (2):

''(A) A prohibition on importation of the article.

''(B) The imposition of or an increase in a duty applicable to the article.

''(C) The imposition or tightening of a tariff-rate quota applicable to the article.

''(D) The imposition or tightening of a quantitative restriction on the importation of the article.

''(E) The suspension, withdrawal, or prevention of the application of trade agreement concessions with respect to the article.

''(F) Any other restriction on importation of the article.

''(2) PROVISIONS OF LAW SPECIFIED.—The provisions of law specified in this paragraph are the following:

''(A) Section 122.

''(B) Chapter 1 of title II.

''(C) Title III.

''(D) Section 406.

''(E) Section 338 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1338).

''(F) Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 (19 U.S.C. 1862).

''(G) Section 103(a) of the Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015 (19 U.S.C. 4202(a)).

''(H) The Trading with the Enemy Act (50 U.S.C. 4301 et seq.).

''(I) The International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

''(J) Any provision of law enacted to implement a trade agreement to which the United States is a party.

''(K) Any provision of a trade agreement to which the United States is a party.

''(3) EXCEPTION FOR TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE.—A technical correction to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States shall not be considered a unilateral trade action for purposes of this section.

''(b) CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL REQUIRED.—A unilateral trade action may not take effect unless—

''(1) the President submits to Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States a report that includes—

''(A) a description of the proposed unilateral trade action;

''(B) the proposed effective period for the action;

''(C) an economic cost-benefit analysis of the action, including an assessment of—

''(i) whether the action is in the national economic interest of the United States; and

''(ii) the macroeconomic effects of the action on—

''(I) employment in the United States;

''(II) the gross domestic product of the United States; and

''(III) revenues and expenditures of the Federal Government; and

''(D) a list of articles that will be affected by the action by subheading number of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States; and

''(2) a joint resolution of approval is enacted pursuant to subsection (d) with respect to the action.

''(c) REPORT OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the submission of the report required by subsection (b)(1) with respect to a proposed unilateral trade action, the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress a report on the proposed action that includes an assessment of the compliance of the President with the provision of law specified in subsection (a)(2) pursuant to which the action would be taken.

''(d) PROCEDURES FOR JOINT RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL.—

''(1) JOINT RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL DEFINED.—For purposes of this subsection, the term 'joint resolution of approval' means a joint resolution of either House of Congress that—

''(A) states that Congress approves an action proposed by the President in a report submitted under subsection (b)(1); and

''(B) describes the action being approved by Congress.

''(2) INTRODUCTION.—During the period of 45 days after a House of Congress receives a report under subsection (b)(1) with respect to a unilateral trade action, a joint resolution of approval may be introduced by any Member of that House.

''(3) COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION.—

''(A) REFERRAL.—A joint resolution of approval introduced in the House of Representatives shall be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and a joint resolution of approval introduced in the Senate shall be referred to the Committee on Finance.

''(B) CONSIDERATION.—The Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Finance may, in considering a joint resolution of approval, hold such hearings and meetings and solicit such testimony as the Committee considers appropriate.

''(C) REPORTING.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (D), the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Finance may, at any time after receiving a joint resolution of approval, report the resolution favorably or unfavorably.

''(ii) SUBSEQUENT RESOLUTIONS.—If a subsequent joint resolution of approval relating to the same unilateral trade action proposed in the same report submitted under subsection (b)(1) is referred to the Committee on Ways and Means or the Committee on Finance after the first such resolution is reported or discharged, the subsequent resolution shall not be reported under this subparagraph.

''(iii) PLACEMENT ON CALENDAR.—A joint resolution of approval reported by the Committee on Ways and Means or the Committee on Finance shall lie over one legislative day and then be placed on the appropriate calendar.

''(D) DISCHARGE.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—If the Committee on Ways and Means or the Committee on Finance has not reported a joint resolution of approval by the date that is 15 days after the resolution is referred to the committee, the resolution shall be automatically discharged from the committee and placed on the appropriate calendar.

''(ii) PROHIBITION ON MOTIONS TO RECOMMIT.—A motion to recommit a joint resolution of approval shall not be in order.

''(iii) SUBSEQUENT RESOLUTIONS.—If a subsequent joint resolution of approval relating to the same unilateral trade action proposed in the same report submitted under subsection (b)(1) is referred to the Committee on Ways and Means or the Committee on Finance after the first such resolution is reported or discharged, the subsequent resolution shall not be discharged under this subparagraph.

''(4) FLOOR CONSIDERATION IN SENATE.—In the Senate:

''(A) MOTION TO PROCEED.—

''(i) TIMING.—A motion to proceed to a joint resolution of approval is in order at any time after the resolution is placed on the calendar.

''(ii) MOTION BY ANY SENATOR.—Any Senator may move to proceed to a joint resolution of approval.

''(iii) PRIVILEGE.—A motion to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution of approval is privileged, except that this clause shall apply only to a motion to proceed to a joint resolution of approval reported or discharged from the Committee on Finance under paragraph (3) or to the first joint resolution of approval placed on the calendar after passage in the House of Representatives.

''(iv) DEBATE.—Debate on a motion to proceed to a joint resolution of approval is limited to not more than 5 hours, equally divided between Senators favoring and Senators opposing the resolution.

''(v) MOTION NOT AMENDABLE.—The motion to proceed to the joint resolution of approval is not amendable. A motion to reconsider is not in order. A motion to table is not in order.

''(vi) OTHER MOTIONS NOT IN ORDER.—After a motion to proceed to a joint resolution of approval is agreed to, motions to postpone or to consider other business are not in order.

''(B) MOTIONS AND APPEALS.—All motions and appeals relating to a joint resolution of approval shall be decided by the Senate without debate.

''(5) CONSIDERATION IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—In the House of Representatives, if any committee to which a joint resolution of approval has been referred has not reported it to the House at the end of 10 calendar days after its introduction, such committee shall be discharged from further consideration of the joint resolution, and it shall be placed on the appropriate calendar. On Thursdays it shall be in order at any time for the Speaker to recognize a Member who favors passage of a joint resolution that has appeared on the calendar for at least 3 calendar days to call up that joint resolution for immediate consideration in the House without intervention of any point of order. When so called up, a joint resolution shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and the previous question shall be considered as ordered to its passage without intervening motion. It shall not be in order to reconsider the vote on passage. If a vote on final passage of the joint resolution has not been taken on or before the close of the 10th calendar day after the resolution is reported by the committee or committees to which it was referred, or after such committee or committees have been discharged from further consideration of the resolution, such vote shall be taken on that day.

''(6) RECEIPT OF RESOLUTION FROM OTHER HOUSE.—If, before passing a joint resolution of approval, one House receives from the other a joint resolution of approval from the other House, then—

''(A) the joint resolution of the other House shall not be referred to a committee and shall be deemed to have been discharged from committee on the day it is received; and

''(B) the procedures set forth in paragraph (4) or (5), as applicable, shall apply in the receiving House to the joint resolution received from the other House to the same extent as such procedures apply to a joint resolution of the receiving House.

''(7) RULES OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE.—This subsection is enacted by Congress—

''(A) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the House of Representatives and the Senate, respectively, and as such is deemed a part of the rules of each House, respectively, and the rules provided for in this section supersede other rules only to the extent that they are inconsistent with such other rules; and

''(B) with the full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change the rules provided for in this section (so far as relating to the procedures of that House) at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as any other rule of that House.

''(e) REPORT BY THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION.—Not later than 12 months after the date of a unilateral trade action taken pursuant to this section, the United States International Trade Commission shall submit to Congress a report on the effects of the action on the United States economy, including a comprehensive assessment of the economic effects of the action on producers and consumers in the United States.''.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents for the Trade Act of 1974 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 154 the following:

''Sec. 155. Congressional review of unilateral trade actions.''.

SA 1728. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2201, insert after subsection (b) the following:

(c) DIVISIVE CONCEPTS.—

(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term ''divisive concepts'' means the concepts that—

(A) one race or sex is inherently superior to another race or sex;

(B) the United States is fundamentally racist or sexist;

(C) an individual, by virtue of his or her race or sex, is inherently racist, sexist, or oppressive, whether consciously or unconsciously;

(D) an individual should be discriminated against or receive adverse treatment solely or partly because of his or her race or sex;

(E) members of one race or sex cannot and should not attempt to treat others without respect to race or sex;

(F) an individual's moral character is necessarily determined by his or her race or sex;

(G) an individual, by virtue of his or her race or sex, bears responsibility for actions committed in the past by other members of the same race or sex;

(H) any individual should feel discomfort, guilt, anguish, or any other form of psychological distress on account of his or her race or sex; or

(I) meritocracy or traits such as a hard work ethic are racist or sexist, or were created by a particular race to oppress another race.

(2) PROHIBITION.—In carrying out this Act or any duties for the National Science Foundation, the Chief Diversity Officer shall not use, teach, promote, or recommend any divisive concepts.

SA 1729. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2201, strike paragraph (6) of subsection (b) and all that follows through subsection (c).

SA 1730. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2201.

SA 1731. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 6121 and insert the following:

SEC. 6121. SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY FOR STUDENT LOANS.

(a) DEFAULT RATE FINE.—Section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1094) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the following:

''(30) The institution will pay a default rate fine that is determined pursuant to subsection (k).''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

''(k) DEFAULT RATE FINE.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Each institution described in paragraph (2) shall pay to the Secretary an annual default rate fine in accordance with this subsection.

''(2) APPLICABLE INSTITUTIONS.—An institution shall pay a default rate fine under this subsection for a fiscal year based on the cohort default rate (as defined in section 435(m)) on loans made under this title for such fiscal year.

''(3) FINE.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Each institution described in paragraph (2) shall pay a default rate fine for a fiscal year that is equal to 10 percent of the applicable amount determined under subparagraph (B)(i) for such fiscal year.

''(B) APPLICABLE AMOUNT.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—The applicable amount for a fiscal year with respect to an institution shall be an amount equal to the product of the amount of loans made under this title for such fiscal year, and the applicable rate determined in clause (ii). If the applicable rate is equal to or less than zero percent then the applicable amount shall be equal to zero.

''(ii) APPLICABLE RATE.—The applicable rate for a fiscal year with respect to an institution shall be the rate that is equal to the difference between the cohort default rate on loans made under this title (as defined in section 435(m)) for such fiscal year and the average rate of total unemployment in the United States for the 3-year period covered by that cohort default rate (as defined in section 435(m)), as determined by the Secretary of Labor.

''(4) CREDIT FOR CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS.—Each institution that is described in paragraph (2) shall receive a $400 credit for the fiscal year for each graduate of the institution during such fiscal year who received a Federal Pell Grant while enrolled at the institution.

''(5) FLEXIBILITY IN COUNSEL AND ADVICE.—Notwithstanding any other provision of the Act, the Secretary shall grant institutions of

higher education flexibility under this Act to counsel and advise students on Federal financial aid, including granting flexibility for institutions to award less than the maximum amount of Federal student aid for which an individual is eligible if the cost of tuition, room, and board at the institution is less than such maximum amount.''.

(b) FLEXIBILITY IN COUNSELING AND ADVICE.—Section 485(l) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1092(l)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(3) FLEXIBILITY IN COUNSELING AND ADVICE.—In addition to the entrance counseling under paragraph (1), an eligible institution may require any borrower, at or prior to the time of a disbursement to the borrower of a loan made under part D, to receive the information described in paragraph (2) with respect to such loan, or any other financial counseling, including financial literacy counseling.''.

SA 1732. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1355, lines 21 and 22, strike ''**ELEMENTARY AND**''.

On page 1356, lines 1 and 2, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1356, lines 3 and 4, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1356, lines 7 and 8, strike ''elementary school''.

On page 1358, strike lines 6 through 21 and insert the following:

(5) COVERED STUDENT.—The term ''covered student'' means an individual who is—

(A) enrolled in a secondary school; and

(B) undergoing instruction with goals of acquiring and developing professional knowledge and achieving employment in a STEM field.

On page 1359, lines 10 and 11, strike ''elementary and''.

On page 1359, lines 11 and 12, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1361, lines 8 and 9, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1361, line 20, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1362, lines 1 and 2, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1363, lines 6 and 7, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1363, strike lines 10 through 12 and insert ''computational thinking skills in secondary education.''.

On page 1365, line 22, strike ''elementary school and''.

On page 1366, lines 11 and 12, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1366, lines 22 and 23, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1366, line 24, strike ''elementary school and''.

On page 1367, lines 12 and 13, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1367, line 29, by striking ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1368, lines 8 and 9, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1369, strike lines 18 through 20 and insert ''students in secondary schools.''.

On page 1371, line 7, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1371, lines 12 and 13, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1371, line 17, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1371, lines 24 and 25, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1372, line 5, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1373, lines 2 and 3, strike ''elementary school and''.

On page 1373, lines 3 and 4, strike ''elementary school and secondary school students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1374, lines 4 and 5, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1374, lines 18 and 19, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1375, lines 9 and 10, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1375, line 12, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1375, line 18, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1375, line 20, strike ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1376, lines 5 and 6, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1376, lines 9 and 10, by striking ''elementary schools and''.

On page 1378, lines 18 and 19, by striking ''elementary school and''.

On page 1380, line 10, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1380, strike lines 18 through 20 and insert ''secondary school students.''.

On page 1381, line 12, strike ''elementary school and''.

On page 1381, lines 19 and 20, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1382, lines 11 and 12, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1382, lines 18 and 19, strike ''students facing systemic barriers'' and insert ''covered students''.

On page 1382, strike lines 22 through 24 and insert ''secondary school students.''.

SA 1733. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2208(e), strike ''and provides the student with an additional stipend''.

SA 1734. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 2206, insert the following:

(e) TERMINATION.—The authority provided by subsections (a) through (d) terminates on the day that is 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 1735. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle C of title II of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3260. LIMITATION ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO NATO RELATED TO COUNTERING CHINA.

No United States contributions shall be made available for North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) obligations or activities related to countering the People's Republic of China until such time as—

(1) the North Atlantic Treaty is updated to reflect the addition of a China mission; and

(2) all NATO member countries have met the mandatory defense spending requirements.

SA 1736. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in division C, insert the following:

SEC. 32___. AVAILABILITY OF UNITED STATES DEFENSE ARTICLES AND SERVICES TO TAIWAN.

Section 3(a) of the Taiwan Relations Act (22 U.S.C. 3302(a)) is amended by striking ''the United States will make available to Taiwan such defense articles and defense services in such quantity as may be necessary to enable Taiwan to maintain a sufficient self-defense capability'' and inserting ''the United States shall make available to Taiwan such defense articles and defense services in such quantity as may be necessary to enable Taiwan to maintain a competitive self-defense capability''.

SA 1737. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle C of title II of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3260. MANDATORY REVIEW OF CONTINUED NATO PARTICIPATION IN EVENT STANDING EUROPEAN ARMY IS ESTABLISHED.

Not later than 90 days after determining that the European Union has established a standing European Army, the President shall, in conjunction with the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State, conduct a review of the benefits, risks, and costs of continued United States participation in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

SA 1738. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in subtitle A of title II of division C, insert the following:

SEC. 32___. REQUIREMENT FOR AN AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF MILITARY FORCE.

The President may only introduce members of the Armed Forces into hostilities in or on behalf of Taiwan—

(1) if Congress has enacted an authorization for the use of military force for such purpose; or

(2) for not more than 30 days to repel a sudden attack, or the concrete, specific, and immediate threat of such a sudden attack, upon the United States, its territories, or possessions, its armed forces, or other United States citizens overseas.

SA 1739. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 3209, strike subsections (c) through (h) and insert the following:

(c) OFFICE LIAISONS.—The Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of the Treasury shall each appoint, from within their respective departments at the level of GS–14 or higher, liaisons between the Office and the Department of Commerce or the Department of the Treasury, as applicable, to perform the following duties:

(1) Collaborate with the Department of State on relevant technology initiatives and partnerships.

(2) Provide technical and other relevant expertise to the Office, as appropriate.

(d) MEMBERSHIP.—In addition to the liaisons referred to in subsection (c), the Office shall include a representative or expert detailee from key Federal agencies, as determined by the Secretary of State.

(e) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Office shall include responsibilities such as—

(1) creating, overseeing, and carrying out technology partnerships with countries and relevant political and economic unions that are committed to—

(A) the rule of law, freedom of speech, and respect for human rights;

(B) the safe and responsible development and use of new and emerging technologies and the establishment of related norms and standards;

(C) a secure internet architecture governed by a multi-stakeholder model instead of centralized government control;

(D) robust international cooperation to promote an open internet and interoperable technological products and services that are necessary to freedom, innovation, transparency, and privacy; and

(E) multilateral coordination, including through diplomatic initiatives, information sharing, and other activities, to defend the principles described in subparagraphs (A) through (D) against efforts by state and nonstate actors to undermine them;

(2) harmonizing technology governance regimes with partners, coordinating on basic and pre-competitive research and development initiatives, and collaborating to pursue such opportunities in key technologies, including—

(A) artificial intelligence and machine learning;

(B) 5G telecommunications and other advanced wireless networking technologies;

(C) semiconductor manufacturing;

(D) biotechnology;

(E) quantum computing;

(F) surveillance technologies, including facial recognition technologies and censorship software; and

(G) fiber optic cables;

(3) coordinating with such countries regarding shared technology strategies, including technology controls and standards, as well as strategies with respect to the development and acquisition of key technologies to provide alternatives for those countries utilizing systems supported by authoritarian regimes;

(4) coordinating the adoption of shared data privacy, data sharing, and data archiving standards among the United States and partner countries and relevant economic and political unions, including complementary data protection regulations;

(5) coordinating with other technology partners on export control policies, including as appropriate through the Wassenaar Arrangement On Export Controls for Conventional Arms and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies, done at The Hague December 1995, the Nuclear Suppliers Group, the Australia Group, and the Missile Technology Control Regime; supply chain security; and investment in or licensing of critical infrastructure and dual-use technologies;

(6) coordinating with members of technology partnerships on other policies regarding the use and control of emerging and foundational technologies through appropriate restrictions, investment screening, and appropriate measures with respect to technology transfers;

(7) coordinating policies, in coordination with the Department of Commerce, around the resiliency of supply chains in critical technology areas, including possible diversification of supply chain components to countries involved in technology partnerships with the United States, while also maintaining transparency surrounding subsidies and product origins;

(8) sharing information regarding the technology transfer threat posed by authoritarian governments and the ways in which autocratic regimes are utilizing technology to erode individual freedoms and other foundations of open, democratic societies;

(9) administering the establishment of—

(A) the common funding mechanism for development and adoption of measurably secure semiconductors and measurably secure semiconductors supply chains created in and in accordance with the requirements of section 9905 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283); and

(B) the multilateral telecommunications security fund created in and in accordance with the requirements of section 9202 of such Act; and

(10) collaborating with private companies, trade associations, and think tanks to realize the purposes of paragraphs (1) through (9).

(f) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for the next 3 years, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Director for National Intelligence, shall submit an unclassified report to the appropriate congressional committees, with a classified index, if necessary, regarding—

(1) the activities of the Office, including any cooperative initiatives and partnerships pursued with United States allies and partners, and the results of those activities, initiatives, and partnerships; and

(2) the activities of the Government of the Peoples' Republic of China, the Chinese Communist Party, and the Russian Federation in key technology sectors and the threats they pose to the United States, including—

(A) artificial intelligence and machine learning;

(B) 5G telecommunications and other advanced wireless networking technologies;

(C) semiconductor manufacturing;

(D) biotechnology;

(E) quantum computing;

(F) surveillance technologies, including facial recognition technologies and censorship software; and

(G) fiber optic cables.

(g) SENSE OF CONGRESS ON ESTABLISHING INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIP.—It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of State should seek to establish an International Technology Partnership for the purposes described in this section with foreign countries that have—

(1) a democratic national government and a strong commitment to democratic values, including an adherence to the rule of law, freedom of speech, and respect for and promotion of human rights;

(2) an economy with advanced technology sectors; and

(3) a demonstrated record of trust or an expressed interest in international cooperation and coordination with the United States on important defense and intelligence issues.

(h) CONTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT.—Any agreement formed with one or more countries on a bilateral or multilateral basis under this section shall require, at minimum, that the other country or countries collectively share at least 50 percent of the costs associated with the partnership.

(i) TREATY REQUIREMENT.—Any agreement to form a partnership under this section shall be formalized as a treaty subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

SA 1740. Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. OWNERSHIP AND ASSIGNMENT OF PATENTS.

Section 261 of title 35, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking the first undesignated paragraph and inserting the following:

''(a) IN GENERAL.—

''(1) ATTRIBUTES OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.—Subject to the provisions of this title, patents shall have the attributes of personal property.

''(2) REGISTER OF INTERESTS.—The Patent and Trademark Office shall—

''(A) maintain a register of interests in patents and applications for patents;

''(B) record any document related thereto upon request;

''(C) not later than 90 days after the date on which a patent, or any interest in a patent of not less than 10 percent (in the aggregate), is assigned to any foreign entity or person, require the recording of that assignment; and

''(D) maintain a publicly accessible database that is digitally searchable by fields based on patent number, assignee, assignor, assignment date, and other criteria established by the Office.

''(3) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO COMPLY.—No party may recover, for infringement of a patent in any litigation, any monetary damages for any period in which ownership with respect to the patent is not properly recorded in accordance with the requirements of this subsection.'';

(2) in the first undesignated paragraph following subsection (a), as so designated by paragraph (1) of this section, by striking ''Applications'' and inserting the following:

''(b) APPLICATIONS.—Applications'';

(3) in the first undesignated paragraph following subsection (b), as so designated by paragraph (2) of this section, by striking ''A certificate'' and inserting the following:

''(c) CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—A certificate''; and

(4) in the first undesignated paragraph following subsection (c), as so designated by paragraph (3) of this section, by striking ''An interest'' and inserting the following:

''(d) EFFECT OF ASSIGNMENT.—An interest''.

SA 1741. Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. PATENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 30 of title 35, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in section 302, in the first sentence, by inserting ''or on the basis of credible evidence that any such claim was obtained through fraud'' after ''section 301'';

(2) in section 303—

(A) in subsection (a)—

(i) in the first sentence, by inserting ''or enforceability'' after ''patentability''; and

(ii) in the second sentence, by inserting '', or a substantial new question of enforceability is raised by credible evidence of fraud,'' after ''patents and publications''; and

(B) in subsection (c), in the first sentence, by inserting ''or enforceability'' after ''patentability'';

(3) in section 304, in the first sentence, by inserting ''or enforceability'' after ''patentability''; and

(4) in section 307—

(A) in the section heading, by inserting ''**unenforceability,**'' after ''**unpatentability,**''; and

(B) in subsection (a), by inserting ''or unenforceable'' after ''unpatentable''.

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 30 of title 35, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section 307 and inserting the following:

''307. Certificate of patentability, unpatentability, unenforceability, and claim cancellation.''.

SA 1742. Ms. SMITH (for herself and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title I of division F, insert the following:

SEC. 61___. ESSENTIAL GENERIC ANTIBIOTIC PROGRAM.

(a) GRANT PROGRAM.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall establish a program to provide grants to manufacturers of essential generic antibiotic drugs, or the active pharmaceutical ingredient or articles used as components of such drug, to support activities described in paragraph (3).

(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The Secretary shall award grants under this subsection to not more than 3 manufacturers of an essential generic antibiotic drug. Each such recipient shall be a manufacturer that—

(A) has implemented and maintains an effective quality management system, under parts 210 and 211 of title 21, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulations);

(B) has a strong record of compliance with the requirements of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.);

(C) commits to using advanced manufacturing in its domestic manufacturing operations; and

(D) has existing manufacturing facilities and operations in the United States.

(3) USE OF FUNDS.—A recipient of a grant under this subsection may use such grant funds to—

(A) with respect to manufacturing an essential generic antibiotic drug—

(i) expand, upgrade, or recommission an existing manufacturing facility located in the United States; or

(ii) construct a new manufacturing facility in the United States; and

(B) manufacture essential generic antibiotic drugs using advanced manufacturing techniques.

(b) USE OF FUNDS TO PURCHASE ESSENTIAL GENERIC ANTIBIOTIC DRUGS FOR STOCKPILING.—The Secretary may use amounts appropriated under this section to purchase, store, stockpile, or disposition essential generic antibiotic drugs manufactured in the United States.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

(1) ACTIVE PHARMACEUTICAL INGREDIENT.—The term ''active pharmaceutical ingredient'' has the meaning given such term in section 744A of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–41).

(2) ADVANCED MANUFACTURING.—The term ''advanced manufacturing'' means an approach for the manufacturing of drugs that incorporates novel technology, or uses an established technique or technology in a new or innovative way, that enhances drug product quality or improves the manufacturing process.

(3) ESSENTIAL GENERIC ANTIBIOTIC DRUG.—The term ''essential generic antibiotic drug'' means an antibacterial or antifungal drug approved by the Food and Drug Administration under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355(j)) that the Secretary determines to be medically necessary to have available at all times in an amount adequate to serve patient needs, including beta-lactams (including penicillin and cephalosporin derivatives) and non-beta lactams (including tetracycline and aminoglycoside derivatives).

(4) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(5) UNITED STATES.—The term ''United States'' means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, territories, and Tribal lands.

(d) FUNDING.—For purposes of carrying out this section (other than subsection (e)), there is appropriated, out of amounts in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, $500,000,000 for fiscal year 2021, to remain available through September 30, 2023.

(e) STUDY AND REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall enter into a contract with an entity under which such entity carries out a study on the manufacture of essential generic antibiotic drugs and issues a report that includes—

(A) recommendations about which antibiotics the Secretary should prioritize for purposes of the program under subsection (a), based on factors that include necessity of use, vulnerability to foreign supply chain disruptions, and availability of alternatives; and

(B) the expected effect of increased domestic manufacturing of drugs on drug costs to consumers.

(2) AUTHORIZATION.—To carry out this subsection, there is authorized to be appropriated $2,000,000 for fiscal year 2021, to remain available until September 30, 2022.

SA 1743. Mr. PADILLA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science

Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. MODIFICATIONS TO SBIR AND STTR PROGRAMS.

(b) INCLUSION OF TESTING AND EVALUATION IN THE DEFINITION OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—Section 9(e)(5) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(e)(5)) is amended to read as follows:

''(5) the term 'research' or 'research and development' means—

''(A) any activity which is—

''(i) a systematic, intensive study directed toward greater knowledge or understanding of the subject studied;

''(ii) a systematic study directed specifically toward applying new knowledge to meet a recognized need; or

''(iii) a systematic application of knowledge toward the production of useful materials, devices, and systems or methods, including design, development, and improvement of prototypes and new processes to meet specific requirements; and

''(B) any testing or evaluation in connection with such an activity;''.

(c) INCLUSION OF SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES IN SBIR AND STTR.—Section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638) is amended—

(1) by striking ''or private equity firm investment'' each place that term appears and inserting ''private equity firm, or SBIC investment'';

(2) by striking ''or private equity firms'' each place that term appears and inserting ''private equity firms, or SBICs'';

(3) in subsection (e)—

(A) in paragraph (13)(B), by striking ''and'' at the end;

(B) in paragraph (14), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(15) the term 'SBIC' means a small business investment company as defined in section 103 of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 662).''; and

(4) in the heading for subsection (dd), by striking ''OR PRIVATE EQUITY FIRMS'' and inserting ''PRIVATE EQUITY FIRMS, OR SBICS''.

(d) CALCULATION OF LEVERAGE OF SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES THAT INVEST IN SBIR OR STTR PARTICIPANTS.—Section 303(b)(2) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 683(b)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(E) INVESTMENTS IN SBIR AND STTR PARTICIPANTS.—

''(i) DEFINITIONS.—In this subparagraph—

''(I) the term 'cost' has the meaning given the term in section 502 of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661a); and

''(II) the term 'SBIR or STTR participant' means a small business concern that receives contracts or grants pursuant to section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638).

''(ii) EXCLUSION.—Subject to clause (iii), in calculating the outstanding leverage of a company for purposes of subparagraph (A), the Administrator shall exclude the amount of any investment made in a SBIR or STTR participant, if such investment is made in the first fiscal year after the date of enactment of this subparagraph or any fiscal year thereafter by a company licensed during the applicable fiscal year.

''(iii) LIMITATIONS.—

''(I) AMOUNT OF EXCLUSION.—The amount excluded under clause (i) for a company shall not exceed 33 percent of the private capital of that company.

''(II) MAXIMUM INVESTMENT.—A company shall not make an investment in any 1 SBIR or STTR participant in an amount equal to more than 20 percent of the private capital of that company.

''(III) OTHER TERMS.—The exclusion of amounts under clause (i) shall be subject to such terms as the Administrator may impose to ensure that there is no cost with respect to purchasing or guaranteeing any debenture involved.''.

(e) ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION IN THE MENTOR-PROTEGE PROGRAM.—Section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(vv) ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION IN THE MENTOR-PROTEGE PROGRAM.—The Administrator shall provide an increase to the past performance rating of any small business concern that has participated in the SBIR or STTR program that serves as a mentor under section 45 to a small business concern that seeks to participate in the SBIR or STTR program.''.

(f) ANNUAL MEETING FOR FEDERAL AGENCIES WITH A SBIR OR STTR PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638), as amended by subsection (e), is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(ww) ANNUAL MEETING.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The head of each Federal agency required to have a program under this section (or a designee) and the Administrator (or a designee) shall meet annually to discuss methods—

''(A) to improve the collection of data under this section;

''(B) to improve the reporting of data to the Administrator under this section;

''(C) to make the application processes for programs under this section more efficient; and

''(D) to increase participation in the programs under this section.

''(2) REPORTING.—Not later than 60 days after the date on which an annual meeting required under paragraph (1) is held, the Administrator shall submit to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate and the Committee on Small Business and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives a report on the findings of the meeting and recommendations on how to implement changes to programs under this section.''.

(2) FUNDING FOR ANNUAL MEETING.—Section 9(mm)(1) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(mm)(1)) is amended—

(A) in subparagraph (J), by striking the ''and'' at the end;

(B) in subparagraph (K), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(L) the annual meeting required under subsection (ww).''.

(g) INCREASING PARTICIPATION OF UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS IN THE SBIR AND STTR PROGRAMS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 9(mm)(2) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(mm)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

''(2) OUTREACH AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—A Federal agency participating in the program under this subsection shall use a portion of the funds authorized for uses under paragraph (1) to carry out the policy directive required under subsection (j)(2)(F) and to increase the participation of States with respect to which a low level of SBIR awards have historically been awarded.''.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 9(mm)(6) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(mm)(6)) is amended by striking ''paragraph (2)(A) and any use of the waiver authority under paragraph (2)(B)'' and inserting ''paragraph (2)''.

SA 1744. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ROUNDS, and Ms. HASSAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. REQUIREMENTS TO BUY CERTAIN ITEMS RELATED TO NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS ACCORDING TO CERTAIN CRITERIA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle D of title VIII of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 391 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''SEC. 836. REQUIREMENTS TO BUY CERTAIN ITEMS RELATED TO NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS.

''(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) COVERED ITEM.—The term 'covered item' means any of the following:

''(A) Body armor components intended to provide ballistic protection for an individual, consisting of 1 or more of the following:

''(i) Soft ballistic panels.

''(ii) Hard ballistic plates.

''(iii) Concealed armor carriers worn under a uniform.

''(iv) External armor carriers worn over a uniform.

''(B) Helmets that provide ballistic protection and other head protection and components.

''(C) Protective eyewear.

''(D) Rain gear, cold weather gear, other environmental and flame-resistant clothing.

''(E) Footwear provided as part of a uniform.

''(F) Uniforms.

''(G) Bags and packs.

''(H) Holsters and tactical pouches.

''(I) Patches, insignia, and embellishments.

''(J) Respiratory protective masks.

''(K) Chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear protective gear.

''(L) Hearing protection equipment.

''(M) Powered air purifying respirators and required filters.

''(N) Disposable and reusable surgical and isolation gowns.

''(O) Gloves.

''(P) Face shields.

''(Q) Head and foot coverings.

''(R) Sanitizing and disinfecting wipes.

''(S) Privacy curtains.

''(T) Beds and bedding.

''(U) Testing swabs.

''(V) Gauze and bandages.

''(W) Tents and tarpaulins.

''(X) Any other critical safety item as determined appropriate by the Secretary.

''(2) FRONTLINE OPERATIONAL COMPONENT.—The term 'frontline operational component' means any of the following components of the Department:

''(A) U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

''(B) U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

''(C) The United States Secret Service.

''(D) The Transportation Security Administration.

''(E) The Coast Guard.

''(F) The Federal Protective Service.

''(G) The Federal Emergency Management Agency.

''(H) The Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers.

''(b) REQUIREMENTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall ensure that any procurement of a covered item for a frontline operational component meets the following criteria:

''(A) To the maximum extent possible, not less than one-third of funds obligated in a specific fiscal year for the procurement of such covered items shall be covered items that are manufactured or supplied in the United States by entities that qualify as small business concerns, as such term is described under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

''(B) Each contractor with respect to the procurement of such a covered item, including the end-item manufacturer of such a covered item—

''(i) is an entity registered with the System for Award Management (or successor system) administered by the General Services Administration; and

''(ii) is in compliance with ISO 9001:2015 of the International Organization for Standardization (or successor standard) or a standard determined appropriated by the Secretary to ensure the quality of products and adherence to applicable statutory and regulatory requirements.

''(C) Each supplier of such a covered item with an insignia (such as any patch, badge, or emblem) and each supplier of such an insignia, if such covered item with such insignia or such insignia, as the case may be, is not produced, applied, or assembled in the United States, shall—

''(i) store such covered item with such insignia or such insignia in a locked area;

''(ii) report any pilferage or theft of such covered item with such insignia or such insignia occurring at any stage before delivery of such covered item with such insignia or such insignia; and

''(iii) destroy any such defective or unusable covered item with insignia or insignia in a manner established by the Secretary, and maintain records, for three years after the creation of such records, of such destruction that include the date of such destruction, a description of the covered item with insignia or insignia destroyed, the quantity of the covered item with insignia or insignia destroyed, and the method of destruction.

''(2) WAIVER.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a national emergency declared by the President under the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), the Secretary may waive a requirement in subparagraph (A), (B) or (C) of paragraph (1) if the Secretary determines there is an insufficient supply of a covered item that meets the requirement.

''(B) NOTICE.—Not later than 60 days after the date on which the Secretary determines a waiver under subparagraph (A) is necessary, the Secretary shall provide to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security, the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives notice of such determination, which shall include—

''(i) identification of the national emergency declared by the President;

''(ii) identification of the covered item for which the Secretary intends to issue the waiver; and

''(iii) a description of the demand for the covered item and corresponding lack of supply from contractors able to meet the criteria described in subparagraph (B) or (C) of paragraph (1).

''(c) PRICING.—The Secretary shall ensure that covered items are purchased at a fair and reasonable price, consistent with the procedures and guidelines specified in the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

''(d) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this section and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall provide to the Committee on Homeland Security, the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate a report on instances in which vendors have failed to meet deadlines for delivery of covered items and corrective actions taken by the Department in response to such instances.

''(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section applies with respect to a contract entered into by the Department or any frontline operational component on or after the date that is 180 days after the date of enactment of this section.''.

(b) STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives a study of the adequacy of allowances provided to employees of frontline operational components (as defined in section 836 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as added by subsection (a)).

(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The study conducted under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) be informed by a Department-wide survey of employees from across the Department who receive uniform allowances that seeks to ascertain what, if any, improvements could be made to the current uniform allowances and what, if any, impacts current allowances have had on employee morale and retention; and

(B) consider increasing by 25 percent, at minimum, the uniform allowance for first year employees and by 50 percent, at minimum, the annual allowance for all other employees.

(c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–296; 116 Stat. 2135) is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 835 the following:

''Sec. 836. Requirements to buy certain items related to national security interests.''.

SA 1745. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. PORTMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division C, add the following:

TITLE VI—COMBATING SYNTHETIC DRUGS

SEC. 3601. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Fighting Emerging Narcotics Through Additional Nations to Yield Lasting Results Act'' or ''FENTANYL Results Act''.

SEC. 3602. PRIORITIZATION OF EFFORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO COMBAT INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING IN COVERED SYNTHETIC DRUGS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall prioritize efforts of the Department of State to combat international trafficking in covered synthetic drugs by carrying out programs and activities to include the following:

(1) Supporting increased data collection by the United States and foreign countries through increased drug use surveys among populations, increased use of wastewater testing where appropriate, and multilateral sharing of that data.

(2) Engaging in increased consultation and partnership with international drug agencies, including the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction, and regulatory agencies in foreign countries.

(3) Carrying out the program to provide assistance to build the capacity of foreign law enforcement agencies with respect to covered synthetic drugs, as required by section 3603.

(4) Carrying out exchange programs for governmental and nongovernmental personnel in the United States and in foreign countries to provide educational and professional development on demand reduction matters relating to the illicit use of narcotics and other drugs, as required by section 3604.

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the implementation of this section.

(2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(A) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

(B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives; and

SEC. 3603. PROGRAM TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO BUILD THE CAPACITY OF FOREIGN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WITH RESPECT TO COVERED SYNTHETIC DRUGS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 660 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2420), the Secretary of State shall establish a program to provide assistance to build the capacity of law enforcement agencies of the countries described in subsection (c) to help such agencies to identify, track, and improve their forensics detection capabilities with respect to covered synthetic drugs.

(b) PRIORITY.—The Secretary of State shall prioritize assistance under subsection (a) among those countries described in subsection (c) in which such assistance would have the most impact in reducing illicit use of covered synthetic drugs in the United States.

(c) COUNTRIES DESCRIBED.—The foreign countries described in this subsection are—

(1) countries that are producers of covered synthetic drugs;

(2) countries whose pharmaceutical and chemical industries are known to be exploited for development or procurement of precursors of covered synthetic drugs; or

(3) major drug-transit countries as defined by the President.

(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section $4,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2022 through 2026.

Such amounts shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes.

SEC. 3604. EXCHANGE PROGRAM FOR GOVERNMENTAL AND NONGOVERNMENTAL PERSONNEL TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ON DEMAND REDUCTION MATTERS RELATING TO ILLICIT USE OF NARCOTICS AND OTHER DRUGS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall establish or continue and strengthen, as appropriate, an exchange program for governmental and nongovernmental personnel in the United States and in foreign countries to provide educational and professional development on demand reduction matters relating to the illicit use of narcotics and other drugs.

(b) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—The program required by subsection (a)—

(1) shall be limited to individuals who have expertise and experience in matters described in subsection (a);

(2) in the case of inbound exchanges, may be carried out as part of exchange programs and international visitor programs administered by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the Department of State, including the International Visitor Leadership Program, in consultation or coordination with the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; and

(3) shall include outbound exchanges for governmental or nongovernmental personnel in the United States.

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section $1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026. Such amounts shall be in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes.

SEC. 3605. AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM.

(a) INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL STRATEGY REPORT.—Section 489(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2291h(a)) is amended by inserting after paragraph (9) the following new paragraph:

''(10) SYNTHETIC OPIOIDS AND NEW PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCES.—

''(A) SYNTHETIC OPIOIDS.—Information that contains an assessment of the countries significantly involved in the manufacture, production, or transshipment of synthetic opioids, including fentanyl and fentanyl analogues, to include the following:

''(i) The scale of legal domestic production and any available information on the number of manufacturers and producers of such opioids in such countries.

''(ii) Information on any law enforcement assessments of the scale of illegal production, including a description of the capacity of illegal laboratories to produce such opioids.

''(iii) The types of inputs used and a description of the primary methods of synthesis employed by illegal producers of such opioids.

''(iv) An assessment of the policies of such countries to regulate licit manufacture and interdict illicit manufacture, diversion, distribution, and shipment of such opioids and an assessment of the effectiveness of the policies' implementation.

''(B) NEW PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCES.—Information on, to the extent practicable, any policies of responding to new psychoactive substances (as such term is defined in section 3607 of the FENTANYL Results Act), to include the following:

''(i) Which governments have articulated policies on scheduling of such substances.

''(ii) Any data on impacts of such policies and other responses to such substances.

''(iii) An assessment of any policies the United States could adopt to improve its response to new psychoactive substances.''.

(b) DEFINITION OF MAJOR ILLICIT DRUG PRODUCING COUNTRY.—Section 481(e) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2291(e)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)—

(A) by striking ''means a country in which—'' and inserting the following: ''means—

''(A) a country in which—'';

(B) by redesignating subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) as clauses (i), (ii), and (iii), respectively, and moving such clauses, as so redesignated, two ems to the right;

(C) in subparagraph (A)(iii), as redesignated by this paragraph, by striking the semicolon at the end and inserting ''; or''; and

(D) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(B) a country which is a significant direct source of illicit narcotic or psychotropic drugs or other controlled substances significantly affecting the United States;''; and

(2) by amending paragraph (5) to read as follows:

''(5) the term 'major drug-transit country' means a country through which are transported illicit narcotic or psychotropic drugs or other controlled substances significantly affecting the United States.''.

SEC. 3606. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the President should direct the United States Representative to the United Nations to use the voice and vote of the United States at the United Nations to advocate for more transparent assessments of countries by the International Narcotics Control Board; and

(2) bilateral, plurilateral, and multilateral international cooperation is essential to combating the trafficking of covered synthetic drugs.

SEC. 3607. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) The term ''covered synthetic drug'' means—

(A) a synthetic controlled substance (as defined in section 102(6) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802(6))), including fentanyl or a fentanyl analogue; or

(B) a new psychoactive substance.

(2) The term ''new psychoactive substance'' means a substance of abuse, or any preparation thereof, that—

(A) is not—

(i) included in any schedule as a controlled substance under the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 801 et seq.); or

(ii) controlled by the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, done at New York March 30, 1961, or the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, done at Vienna February 21, 1971;

(B) is new or has reemerged on the illicit market; and

(C) poses a threat to the public health and safety.

SA 1746. Mr. LUJÁN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, add the following:

SEC. 25___. NATIONAL LABORATORY BIOTECHNOLOGY PROGRAM.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) DEPARTMENT.—The term ''Department'' means the Department of Energy.

(2) NNSA.—The term ''NNSA'' means the National Nuclear Security Administration.

(3) OFFICE.—The term ''Office'' means the joint program office established under subsection (b)(2).

(4) OFFICE OF INTELLIGENCE AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE.—The term ''Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence'' means the Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence of the Department.

(5) OFFICE OF SCIENCE.—The term ''Office of Science'' means the Office of Science of the Department.

(6) PROGRAM.—The term ''Program'' means the National Laboratory Biotechnology Program established under subsection (b)(1).

(7) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Energy.

(b) NATIONAL LABORATORY BIOTECHNOLOGY PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a National Laboratory Biotechnology Program to integrate the resources of the Department, including the Office of Science, the Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, and the NNSA, to provide research, development, test and evaluation, and response capabilities to respond to—

(A) long-term biotechnology threats facing the United States; and

(B) any remaining threats posed by COVID–19.

(2) JOINT PROGRAM OFFICE.—To carry out the Program, the Secretary shall establish a joint program office, which shall comprise appropriate leadership from the Office of Science, the NNSA, and the National Laboratories.

(3) FUNCTIONS.—The Office shall—

(A) oversee the development and operation of major research activities of the Program;

(B) periodically review and recommend updates as necessary to Program policies and guidelines for the development and operation of major research activities;

(C) collaborate with the directors of research directorates of the Department, directors of National Laboratories, and other senior Department officials, as appropriate, to gain greater access to top researchers and new and potentially transformative ideas;

(D) enable access to broad scientific and technical expertise and resources that will lead to the deployment of innovative products, including through—

(i) research and development, including proof of concept, technical development, and compliance testing activities; and

(ii) early-stage product development, including through—

(I) computational modeling and simulation;

(II) molecular structural determination;

(III) genomic sequencing;

(IV) epidemiological and logistics support;

(V) knowledge discovery infrastructure and scalable protected data;

(VI) advanced manufacturing to address supply chain bottlenecks;

(VII) new capabilities for testing of clinical and nonclinical samples;

(VIII) understanding environmental fate and transport of viruses; and

(IX) discovery of potential therapeutics through computation and molecular structure determination;

(E) provide access to user facilities with advanced or unique equipment, services, materials, and other resources to perform research and testing;

(F) support technology transfer and related activities; and

(G) promote access and development across the Federal Government and to United States industry, including startup companies, of early applications of the technologies, innovations, and expertise beneficial to the public that are derived from Program activities.

(4) BIODEFENSE EXPERTISE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the Program, the Office shall support research that harnesses the capabilities of the National Laboratories to address advanced biological threats of national security significance through assessments and research and development programs that—

(i) support the near- and long-term biodefense needs of the United States;

(ii) support the national security community in reducing uncertainty and risk;

(iii) enable greater access to top researchers and new and potentially transformative ideas for biodefense of human, animal, plant, environment, and infrastructure assets (including physical, cyber, and economic infrastructure); and

(iv) enable access to broad scientific and technical expertise and resources that will lead to the development and deployment of innovative biodefense assessments and solutions, including through—

(I) the accessing, monitoring, and evaluation of biological threats to reduce risk, including through analysis and prioritization of gaps and vulnerabilities across open-source and classified data;

(II) development of scientific and technical roadmaps—

(aa) to address gaps and vulnerabilities;

(bb) to inform analyses of technologies; and

(cc) to accelerate the application of unclassified research to classified applications; and

(III) demonstration activities to enable deployment, including—

(aa) threat signature development and validation;

(bb) automated anomaly detection using artificial intelligence and machine learning;

(cc) fate and transport dynamics for priority scenarios;

(dd) data curation, access, storage, and security at scale; and

(ee) risk assessment tools.

(B) RESOURCES.—The Secretary shall ensure that the Office is provided and uses sufficient resources to carry out subparagraph (A).

(5) STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Office shall, to the maximum extent practicable, promote cooperative research and development activities under the Program, including collaboration between appropriate industry and academic institutions to promote innovation and knowledge creation.

(B) ACCESSIBILITY OF INFORMATION.—The Office shall develop, maintain, and publicize information on scientific user facilities and capabilities supported by laboratories of the Department for combating biotechnology threats, which shall be accessible for use by individuals from academic institutions and industry.

(C) ACADEMIC PARTICIPATION.—The Office shall, to the maximum extent practicable—

(i) conduct outreach about internship opportunities relating to activities under the Program primarily to institutions of higher education and minority-serving institutions of higher education;

(ii) encourage the development of research collaborations between research-intensive universities and the institutions described in clause (i); and

(iii) provide traineeships at the institutions described in clause (i) to graduate students who pursue a masters or doctoral degree in an academic field relevant to research advanced under the Program.

(6) EVALUATION AND PLAN.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than biennially, the Secretary shall—

(i) evaluate the activities carried out under the Program; and

(ii) develop a strategic research plan under the Program, which shall be made publicly available and submitted to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives.

(B) CLASSIFIED INFORMATION.—If the strategic research plan developed under subparagraph (A)(ii) contains classified information, the plan—

(i) shall be made publicly available and submitted to the committees of Congress described in subparagraph (A)(ii) in an unclassified format; and

(ii) may, as part of the submission to those committees of Congress only, include a classified annex containing any sensitive or classified information, as necessary.

(7) INTERAGENCY COLLABORATION.—The Office may collaborate with the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of Defense, and the heads of other appropriate Federal departments and agencies to advance biotechnology research and development under the Program.

(8) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section, to remain available until expended—

(A) $30,000,000 for fiscal year 2022;

(B) $40,000,000 for fiscal year 2023;

(C) $45,000,000 for fiscal year 2024; and

(D) $50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2025 and 2026.

SA 1747. Mr. KING (for himself and Mr. LANKFORD) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 2303(c), add the following: ''The exemption authorized under this subsection may also include a categorical exemption for allied countries that appear on the list created pursuant to section 2309(a).''

At the end of title III of division B, add the following:

SEC. 2309. PRIORITIZATION AND PROTECTION OF INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH.

(a) LIST OF ALLIED COUNTRIES.—The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, the National Security Council, the Secretary of Energy, the Director of the National Science Foundation and the heads of other relevant agencies, shall create a list of allied countries with which joint international research and cooperation would advance United States national interests and advance scientific knowledge in key technology focus areas.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF SECURITY PROCEDURES.—The Secretary of State, in consultation with the individuals and entities listed in subsection (a), shall collaborate with similar entities in the countries appearing on the list created pursuant to subsection (a) to develop, coordinate, and agree to general security policies and procedures, consistent with the policies and procedures developed pursuant to sections 2304 and 2305, for governmental, academic, and private sector research, to prevent sensitive research from being disclosed to adversaries.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the individuals and entities listed in subsection (a), and allied countries appearing on the list created pursuant to subsection (a), shall submit a report to Congress that identifies the most promising international research ventures that leverage resources and advance research in key technology focus areas.

SA 1748. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. PROHIBITION ON FTC RULEMAKING RELATING TO UNFAIR METHODS OF COMPETITION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of enactment of this Act, the Federal Trade Commission may not promulgate any rule relating to unfair methods of competition.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 18(a)(2) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 57a(a)(2)) is amended by striking the second sentence.

SA 1749. Ms. ERNST (for herself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. ROUNDS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. STUDY ON ELECTRIC VEHICLE EMISSIONS.

The Secretary of Energy or a National Laboratory shall conduct a study on the emissions of the full lifecycle of an electric vehicle, from battery production to disposal, including—

(1) the emissions associated with the electricity generated to power the vehicle throughout its life;

(2) the critical minerals used in the batteries; and

(3) the mineral refining and transport.

SA 1750. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. BURR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 439, strike line 10, and all that follows through page 440, line 10, and insert the following:

(d) EXCLUDED SPECIES.—It shall not be a violation of subsection (b) for any person to possess, transport, offer for sale, sell, process, or purchase any fresh, frozen, raw or otherwise processed fin or tail from any stock of the following species:

(1) Mustelus canis (smooth dogfish).
(2) Squalus acanthias (spiny dogfish).
(3) Rhizoprionodon terraenovae (Atlantic sharpnose).
(4) Carcharhinus acronotus (Blacknose).
(5) Carcharhinus limbatus (Blacktip).
(6) Carcharhinus longimanus (Oceanic whitetip).
(7) Carcharhinus leucas (Bull).
(8) Carcharhinus isodon (Finetooth).
(9) Mustelus norrisi (Florida smoothhound).
(10) Mustelus sinusmexicanus (Gulf smoothhound).
(11) Sphyrna mokarran (great Hammerhead).
(12) Sphyrna lewini (scalloped Hammerhead).
(13) Sphyrna zygaena (smooth Hammerhead).
(14) Negaprion brevirostris (Lemon).
(15) Ginglymostoma cirratum (Nurse).
(16) Lamna nasus (Porbeagle).
(17) Isurus oxyrinchus (Shortfin Mako).
(18) Carcharhinus brevipinna (Spinner).
(19) Alopias vulpinus (Thresher).
(20) Galeocerdo cuvier (Tiger).
(21) Carcharhinus plumbeus (Sandbar).

SA 1751. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title I of division E, add the following:

SEC. 51____. MARKET INDEXES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–1 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 8(b) (15 U.S.C. 80a–8(b))—

(A) in paragraph (4), by striking ''and'' at the end;

(B) in paragraph (5), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(6) a disclosure of—

''(A) whether the registrant intends to track the returns of, or benchmark against, a specific index of securities; and

''(B) if the registrant intends to track the returns of, or benchmark against, a specific index of securities—

''(i) the identity of the index provider;

''(ii) any involvement of the registrant in designing the index;

''(iii) any ability of the registrant to influence the construction or composition of the index; and

''(iv) any licensing fees paid by the registrant to the index provider.'';

(2) in section 13 (15 U.S.C. 80a–13)—

(A) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (d); and

(B) by inserting after subsection (b) the following:

''(c) CHANGE IN INVESTMENT POLICY RELATING TO INDEXING.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to a registered investment company that tracks the returns of, or benchmarks against, a specific index of securities, if a deviation with respect to that index occurs such that the deviation would be permitted under subsection (a)(3) if made directly by the investment company only if authorized by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the investment company, the investment company may not continue to so track, or benchmark against, the index, unless so authorized by such a vote or by a vote by the board of directors of the investment company.

''(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—For the purposes of paragraph (1), a deviation with respect to an index that requires a vote, as described in that paragraph, includes such a deviation that adds new, or increases the weighting of, securities—

''(A) of issuers that are headquartered or incorporated in the People's Republic of China; or

''(B) that are listed on exchanges in the People's Republic of China.''; and

(3) in section 30 (15 U.S.C. 80a–29)—

(A) in subsection (b)(1) , by striking ''this title; and'' and inserting the following: ''this title, which shall include—

''(A) information regarding whether the registered investment company tracks the returns of, or benchmarks against (or intends to track, or benchmark against), a specific index of securities; and

''(B) if the registered investment company engages in, or intends to engage in, the action described in subparagraph (A), the information described in section 8(b)(6)(B) with respect to the index described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph; and''; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

''(k) ANNUAL DISCLOSURE REGARDING CHINESE SECURITIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Each registered investment company shall annually transmit to the stockholders of the investment company a report containing information regarding, with respect to any security owned by the investment company that is issued by an issuer that is headquartered or incorporated in the People's Republic of China or listed on an exchange in the People's Republic of China—

''(A) the percentage of the securities of that issuer that are owned by governmental entities in the People's Republic of China;

''(B) whether the entities described in subparagraph (A) have a controlling financial interest with respect to the issuer;

''(C) the name of any official of the Chinese Communist Party who is a member of the board of directors of—

''(i) the issuer; or

''(ii) the operating entity with respect to the issuer;

''(D) whether the articles of incorporation of the issuer (or equivalent organizing document) contains any charter of the Chinese Communist Party, including the text of any such charter; and

''(E) whether the investment company was unable to obtain any of the information required under any of subparagraphs (A) through (D).

''(2) INCLUSION PERMITTED.—A report that a registered investment company is required to transmit under paragraph (1) may be included in a report that the investment company is required to transmit under subsection (e).''.

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 401(a) of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (22 U.S.C. 8551(a)) is amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''section 13(c)(1)(B)'' and inserting ''section 13(d)(1)(B)''.

(c) UPDATES TO RULES.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Securities and Exchange Commission shall make any updates to the rules of the Commission that are necessary as a result of this section and the amendments made by this section.

SA 1752. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title I of division E, add the following:

SEC. 51____. AMERICAN FINANCIAL MARKETS INTEGRITY AND SECURITY.

(a) PROHIBITIONS RELATING TO CERTAIN COMMUNIST CHINESE MILITARY COMPANIES.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

(A) COMMISSION.—The term ''Commission'' means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(B) CONTROL; INSURANCE COMPANY.—The terms ''control'' and ''insurance company'' have the meanings given the terms in section 2(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–2(a)).

(C) COVERED ENTITY.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—The term ''covered entity''—

(I) means an entity on—

(aa) the list of Communist Chinese military companies required by section 1237(b) of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (Public Law 105–261; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note); or

(bb) the entity list maintained by the Bureau of Industry and Security of the Department of Commerce and set forth in Supplement No. 4 to part 744 of the title 15, Code of Federal Regulations; and

(II) includes a parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of, or an entity controlled by, an entity described in subclause (I).

(ii) GRACE PERIOD.—For the purposes of this section, and the amendments made by this section, an entity shall be considered to be a covered entity beginning on the date that is 1 year after the date on which the entity first qualifies under the applicable provision of clause (i).

(D) EXCHANGE; SECURITY.—The terms ''exchange'' and ''security'' have the meanings given those terms in section 3(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78c(a)).

(2) PROHIBITIONS.—

(A) LISTING ON EXCHANGE.—Beginning on the date that is 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall prohibit a covered entity from offering to sell or selling on an exchange (or through any other method that is within the jurisdiction of the Commission to regulate, including through the method of trading that is commonly referred to as the ''over-the-counter'' trading of securities) securities issued by the covered entity, including pursuant to an exemption to section 5 of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77e).

(B) INVESTMENTS; LIMITATION ON ACTIONS.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—The Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–1 et seq.) is amended—

(I) in section 12(d) (15 U.S.C. 80a–12(d)), by adding at the end the following:

''(4)(A) It shall be unlawful for any investment company, or any person that would be an investment company but for the application of paragraph (1) or (7) of section 3(c), to invest in a covered entity.

''(B) In this paragraph, the term 'covered entity' has the meaning given the term in section 2(a) of the American Financial Markets Integrity and Security Act.''; and

(II) in section 13(c)(1) (15 U.S.C. 80a–13(c)(1))—

(aa) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''or'' at the end;

(bb) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''or''; and

(cc) by adding at the end the following:

''(C) are covered entities, as that term is defined in section 12(d)(4)(B).''.

(ii) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by clause (i) shall take effect on the date that is 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act.

(C) FEDERAL FUNDS.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), on and after the date that is 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, no Federal funds may be used to enter into, extend, or renew a contract or purchasing agreement with a covered entity.

(ii) WAIVER.—The head of a Federal agency may issue a national security waiver to the prohibition in clause (i) for a period of not more than 2 years with respect to a covered entity if the agency head submits to Congress a notification that includes—

(I) a written justification for the waiver; and

(II) a plan for a phase-out of the goods or services provided by the covered entity.

(D) INVESTMENTS BY INSURANCE COMPANIES.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of enactment of this Act, an insurance company may not invest in a covered entity.

(ii) CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE.—

(I) IN GENERAL.—Each insurance company shall, on an annual basis, submit to the Secretary of the Treasury a certification of compliance with clause (i).

(II) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SECRETARY.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall create a form for the submission required under subclause (I) in such a manner that minimizes the reporting burden on an insurance company making the submission.

(iii) SHARING INFORMATION.—The Secretary of the Treasury, acting through the Federal Insurance Office, shall share the information received under clause (ii) and coordinate verification of compliance with State insurance offices.

(3) QUALIFIED TRUSTS, ETC.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after paragraph (38) the following new paragraph:

''(39) PROHIBITED INVESTMENTS.—A trust which is part of a plan shall not be treated as a qualified trust under this subsection unless the plan provides that no part of the plan's assets will be invested in any covered entity (as defined in section 12(d)(6)(B) of the Investment Company Act of 1940).''.

(B) IRAS.—Paragraph (3) of section 408(a) of such Code is amended by striking ''contracts'' and inserting ''contracts or in any covered entity (as defined in section 12(d)(6)(B) of the Investment Company Act of 1940)''.

(C) FIDUCIARY DUTY.—Section 404 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1104) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(f) PROHIBITED INVESTMENTS.—No fiduciary shall cause any assets of a plan to be invested in any covered entity (as defined in section 12(d)(6)(B) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–12(d)(6)(B))).''.

(D) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), the amendments made by this paragraph shall apply to plan years beginning after the date which is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(ii) PLAN AMENDMENTS.—If clause (iii) applies to any retirement plan or contract amendment—

(I) such plan or contract shall not fail to be treated as being operated in accordance with the terms of the plan during the period described in clause (iii)(II) solely because the plan operates in accordance with the amendments made by this paragraph, and

(II) except as provided by the Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's delegate), such plan or contract shall not fail to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 by reason of such amendment.

(iii) AMENDMENTS TO WHICH PARAGRAPH APPLIES.—

(I) IN GENERAL.—This subparagraph shall apply to any amendment to any plan or annuity contract which—

(aa) is made pursuant to the provisions of this subsection, and

(bb) is made on or before the last day of the first plan year beginning on or after the date which is 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act (4 years after such date of enactment, in the case of a governmental plan).

(II) CONDITIONS.—This subparagraph shall not apply to any amendment unless—

(aa) during the period beginning on the date which is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and ending on the date described in subclause (I)(bb) (or, if earlier, the date the plan or contract amendment is adopted), the plan or contract is operated as if such plan or contract amendment were in effect, and

(bb) such plan or contract amendment applies retroactively for such period.

(iv) SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS.—Rules similar to the rules of clauses (ii) and (iii) shall apply in the case of any amendment to any plan or annuity contract made pursuant to any update of the list of Communist Chinese military companies required by section 1237(b) of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (Public Law 105–261; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note) which is made after the effective date of the amendments made by this paragraph.

(b) MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR LIST OF COMMUNIST CHINESE MILITARY COMPANIES.—Section 1237(b) of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (Public Law 105–261; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note) is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

''(2) REVISIONS TO THE LIST.—

''(A) ADDITIONS.—The Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Commerce, or the Director of National Intelligence may add a person to the list required by paragraph (1) at any time.

''(B) REMOVALS.—A person may be removed from the list required by paragraph (1) if the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Director of National Intelligence agree to remove the person from the list.

''(C) SUBMISSION OF UPDATES TO CONGRESS.—Not later than February 1 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit a version of the list required in paragraph (1), updated to include any additions or removals under this paragraph, to the committees and officers specified in paragraph (1).'';

(2) by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the following:

''(3) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out paragraphs (1) and (2), the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Director of National Intelligence shall consult with each other, the Attorney General, and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.''; and

(3) in paragraph (4), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''making the determination required by paragraph (1) and of carrying out paragraph (2)'' and inserting ''this section''.

(c) ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL AMBITIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—

(1) ANALYSIS REQUIRED.—The Director of the Office of Commercial and Economic Analysis of the Air Force shall conduct an analysis of—

(A) the strategic importance to the Government of the People's Republic of China of inflows of United States dollars through capital markets to the People's Republic of China;

(B) the methods by which that Government seeks to manage such inflows;

(C) how the inclusion of the securities of Chinese entities in stock or bond indexes affects such inflows and serves the financial ambitions of that Government; and

(D) how the listing of the securities of Chinese entities on exchanges in the United States assists in—

(i) meeting the strategic goals of that Government, including defense, surveillance, and intelligence goals; and

(ii) the fusion of the civilian and military components of that Government.

(2) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—The Director of the Office of Commercial and Economic Analysis of the Air Force shall submit to Congress a report—

(A) setting forth the results of the analysis conducted under paragraph (1); and

(B) based on that analysis, making recommendations for best practices to mitigate any national security and economic risks to the United States relating to the financial ambitions of the Government of the People's Republic of China.

SA 1753. Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for

other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANY PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part A of title III of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 681 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 302(a) (15 U.S.C. 682(a))—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''or'' at the end;

(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; or''; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

''(C) $20,000,000, adjusted every 5 years for inflation, with respect to each licensee authorized or seeking authority to sell bonds to Administration as a participating investment company under section 321.''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

''SEC. 321. SMALL BUSINESS AND DOMESTIC PRODUCTION RECOVERY INVESTMENT FACILITY.

''(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) ELIGIBLE SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN.—The term 'eligible small business concern'—

''(A) means a small business concern that is a manufacturing business that is assigned a North American Industry Classification System code beginning with 31, 32, or 33 at the time at which the small business concern receives an investment from a participating investment company under the facility; and

''(B) does not include an entity described in section 7(a)(37)(A)(iv)(III) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(a)(37)(A)(iv)(III)).

''(2) FACILITY.—The term 'facility' means the facility established under subsection (b).

''(3) FUND.—The term 'Fund' means the fund established under subsection (h).

''(4) PARTICIPATING INVESTMENT COMPANY.—The term 'participating investment company' means a small business investment company approved under subsection (d) to participate in the facility.

''(5) PROTÉGÉ INVESTMENT COMPANY.—The term 'protégé investment company' means a small business investment company that—

''(A) is majority managed by new, inexperienced, or otherwise underrepresented fund managers; and

''(B) elects and is selected by the Administration to participate in the pathway-protégé program under subsection (g).

''(6) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN.—The term 'small business concern' has the meaning given the term in section 3(a) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(a)).

''(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—

''(1) FACILITY.—The Administrator shall establish and carry out a facility to increase resiliency in the manufacturing supply chain of eligible small business concerns by providing financial assistance to participating investment companies that facilitate equity financings to eligible small business concerns in accordance with this section.

''(2) ADMINISTRATION OF FACILITY.—The facility shall be administered by the Administrator acting through the Associate Administrator described in section 201.

''(c) APPLICATIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Any small business investment company may submit to the Administrator an application to participate in the facility.

''(2) REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION.—An application to participate in the facility shall include the following:

''(A) A business plan describing how the applicant intends to make successful equity investments in eligible small business concerns.

''(B) Information regarding the relevant investment qualifications and backgrounds of the individuals responsible for the management of the applicant.

''(C) A description of the extent to which the applicant meets the selection criteria under subsection (d)(2).

''(3) EXCEPTIONS TO APPLICATION FOR NEW LICENSEES.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Administrator shall reduce requirements for applicants applying to operate as a participating investment company under this section in order to encourage the participation of new small business investment companies in the facility under this section, which may include the requirements established under part 107 of title 13, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation, relating to—

''(A) the approval of initial management expenses;

''(B) the management ownership diversity requirement;

''(C) the disclosure of general compensatory practices and fee structures; or

''(D) any other requirement that the Administrator determines to be an obstacle to achieving the purposes described in this paragraph.

''(d) SELECTION OF PARTICIPATING INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—

''(1) DETERMINATION.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (3), not later than 60 days after the date on which the Administrator receives an application under subsection (c), the Administrator shall—

''(i) make a final determination to approve or disapprove such applicant to participate in the facility; and

''(ii) transmit the determination to the applicant in writing.

''(B) COMMITMENT AMOUNT.—Except as provided in paragraph (3), at the time of approval of an applicant, the Administrator shall make a determination of the amount of the commitment that may be awarded to the applicant under this section.

''(2) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In making a determination under paragraph (1), the Administrator shall consider—

''(A) the probability that the investment strategy of the applicant will successfully repay any financial assistance provided by the Administration, including the probability of a return significantly in excess thereof;

''(B) the probability that the investments made by the applicant will—

''(i) provide capital to eligible small business concerns; or

''(ii) create or preserve jobs in the United States;

''(C) the probability that the applicant will meet the objectives in the business plan of the applicant, including the financial goals, and, if applicable, the pathway-protégé program in accordance with subsection (g); and

''(D) the probability that the applicant will assist eligible small business concerns in achieving profitability.

''(3) APPROVAL OF PARTICIPATING INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—

''(A) PROVISIONAL APPROVAL.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding paragraph (1), with respect to an application submitted by an applicant to operate as a participating investment company under this section, the Administrator may provide provisional approval for the applicant in lieu of a final determination of approval and determination of the amount of the commitment under that paragraph.

''(ii) PURPOSE.—The purpose of a provisional approval under clause (i) is to—

''(I) encourage applications from investment companies with an investment mandate from the committed private market capital of the investment company that does not conform to the requirements described in this section at the time of application;

''(II) allow the applicant to more effectively raise capital commitments in the private markets by referencing the intent of the Administrator to award the applicant a commitment; and

''(III) allow the applicant to more precisely request the desired amount of commitment pending the securing of capital from private market investors.

''(iii) LIMIT ON PERIOD OF THE TIME.—The period between a provisional approval under clause (i) and the final determination of approval under paragraph (1) shall not exceed 12 months.

''(e) COMMITMENTS AND SBIC BONDS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator may, out of amounts available in the Fund, purchase or commit to purchase from a participating investment company 1 or more accruing bonds that include equity features as described in this subsection.

''(2) BOND TERMS.—A bond purchased by the Administrator from a participating investment company under this subsection shall have the following terms and conditions:

''(A) TERM AND INTEREST.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—The bond shall be issued for a term of not less than 15 years and shall bear interest at a rate determined by the Administrator of not more than 2 percent.

''(ii) ACCRUAL OF INTEREST.—Interest on the bond shall accrue and shall be payable in accordance with subparagraph (D).

''(iii) PREPAYMENT.—The bond shall be prepayable without penalty after the end of the 1-year period beginning on the date on which the bond was purchased.

''(B) PROFITS.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—The Administration shall be entitled to receive a share of the profits net of any profit sharing performance compensation of the participating investment company equal to the quotient obtained by dividing—

''(I) one-third of the commitment that the participating investment company is approved for under subsection (d); by

''(II) the commitment approved under subsection (d) plus the regulatory capital of the participating investment company at the time of approval under that subsection.

''(ii) DETERMINATION OF PERCENTAGE.—The share to which the Administration is entitled under clause (i)—

''(I) shall be determined at the time of approval under subsection (d); and

''(II) without the approval of the Administration, shall not be revised, including to reflect subsequent distributions of profits, returns of capital, or repayments of bonds, or otherwise.

''(C) PROFIT SHARING PERFORMANCE COMPENSATION.—

''(i) RECEIPT BY ADMINISTRATION.—The Administration shall receive a share of profits of not more than 2 percent, which shall be deposited into the Fund and be available to make commitments under this subsection.

''(ii) RECEIPT BY MANAGERS.—The managers of the participating investment company may receive a maximum profit sharing performance compensation of 25 percent minus the share of profits paid to the Administration under clause (i).

''(D) PROHIBITION ON DISTRIBUTIONS.—No distributions on capital, including profit distributions, shall be made by the participating investment company to the investors or managers of the participating investment company until the Administration has received payment of all accrued interest on the bond committed under this section.

''(E) REPAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL.—Except as described in subparagraph (F), repayments of principal of the bond of a participating investment company shall be—

''(i) made at the same time as returns of private capital; and

''(ii) in amounts equal to the pro rata share of the Administration of the total amount being repaid or returned at such time.

''(F) LIQUIDATION OR DEFAULT.—Upon any liquidation event or default, as defined by the Administration, any unpaid principal or accrued interest on the bond shall—

''(i) have a priority over all equity of the participating investment company; and

''(ii) be paid before any return of equity or any other distributions to the investors or managers of the participating investment company.

''(3) AMOUNT OF COMMITMENTS AND PURCHASES.—

''(A) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The maximum amount of outstanding bonds and commitments to purchase bonds for any participating investment company under the facility shall be the lesser of—

''(i) twice the amount of the regulatory capital of the participating investment company; or

''(ii) $200,000,000.

''(4) COMMITMENT PROCESS.—Commitments by the Administration to purchase bonds under the facility shall remain available to be sold by a participating investment company until the end of the fourth fiscal year following the year in which the commitment is made, subject to review and approval by the Administration based on regulatory compliance, financial status, change in management, deviation from business plan, and such other limitations as may be determined by the Administration by regulation or otherwise.

''(5) COMMITMENT CONDITIONS.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—As a condition of receiving a commitment under the facility, not less than 50 percent of amounts invested by the participating investment company shall be invested in eligible small business concerns.

''(B) EXAMINATIONS.—In addition to the matters set forth in section 310(c), the Administration shall examine each participating investment company in such detail so as to determine whether the participating investment company has complied with the requirements under this subsection.

''(f) DISTRIBUTIONS AND FEES.—

''(1) DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS.—

''(A) DISTRIBUTIONS.—As a condition of receiving a commitment under the facility, a participating investment company shall make all distributions to the Administrator in the same form and in a manner as are made to investors, or otherwise at a time and in a manner consistent with regulations or policies of the Administration.

''(B) ALLOCATIONS.—A participating investment company shall make allocations of income, gain, loss, deduction, and credit to the Administrator with respect to any outstanding bonds as if the Administrator were an investor.

''(2) FEES.—The Administrator may not charge fees for participating investment companies other than examination fees that are consistent with the license of the participating investment company.

''(3) BIFURCATION.—Losses on bonds issued by participating investment companies shall not be offset by fees or any other charges on debenture small business investment companies.

''(g) PROTÉGÉ PROGRAM.—The Administrator shall establish a pathway-protégé program in which a protégé investment company may receive technical assistance and program support from a participating investment company on a voluntary basis and without penalty for non-participation.

''(h) LOSS LIMITING FUND.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the Treasury a fund for making commitments and purchasing bonds with equity features under the facility and receiving capital returned by participating investment companies.

''(2) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts appropriated to the Fund or deposited in the Fund under paragraph (3) shall be available to the Administrator, without further appropriation, for making commitments and purchasing bonds under the facility and expenses and payments, excluding administrative expenses, relating to the operations of the Administrator under the facility.

''(3) DEPOSITING OF AMOUNTS.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—All amounts received by the Administrator from a participating investment company relating to the facility, including any moneys, property, or assets derived by the Administrator from operations in connection with the facility, shall be deposited in the Fund.

''(B) PERIOD OF AVAILABILITY.—Amounts deposited under subparagraph (A) shall remain available until expended.

''(i) APPLICATION OF OTHER SECTIONS.—To the extent not inconsistent with requirements under this section, the Administrator may apply sections 309, 311, 312, 313, and 314 to activities under this section and an officer, director, employee, agent, or other participant in a participating investment company shall be subject to the requirements under such sections.

''(j) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated for the first fiscal year beginning after the date of enactment of this part $10,000,000,000 to carry out the facility. Amounts appropriated pursuant to this subsection shall remain available until the end of the second fiscal year beginning after the date of enactment of this section.''.

(b) APPROVAL OF BANK-OWNED, NON-LEVERAGED APPLICANTS.—Section 301(c)(2) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 681(c)(2)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (B), in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking ''Within'' and inserting ''Except as provided in subparagraph (C), within''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

''(C) EXCEPTION FOR BANK-OWNED, NON-LEVERAGED APPLICANTS.—Notwithstanding subparagraph (B), not later than 45 days after the date on which the Administrator receives a completed application submitted by a bank-owned, non-leveraged applicant in accordance with this subsection and in accordance with such requirements as the Administrator may prescribe by regulation, the Administrator shall—

''(i) review the application in its entirety; and

''(ii)(I) approve the application and issue a license for such operation to the applicant if the requirements of this section are satisfied; or

''(II) disapprove the application and notify the applicant in writing of the disapproval.''.

(c) ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS.—Part A of title III of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 681 et seq.), as amended by subsection (a) of this section, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''SEC. 322. ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS.

''The Administration shall permit any document submitted under this title, or pursuant to a regulation carrying out this title, to be submitted electronically, including by permitting an electronic signature for any signature that is required on such a document.''.

SA 1754. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. YOUNG, and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title I of division E, add the following:

SEC. 51___. INVESTMENT OF THRIFT SAVINGS FUND.

Section 8438 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(i)(1) In this subsection—

''(A) the term 'PCAOB' means the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board; and

''(B) the term 'registered public accounting firm' has the meaning given the term in section 2(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 7201(a)).

''(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, no sums in the Thrift Savings Fund may be invested in any security that is listed on an exchange in a jurisdiction in which the PCAOB is prevented from conducting a complete inspection or investigation of a registered public accounting firm under section 104 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 7214) because of a position taken by an authority in that jurisdiction, as determined by the PCAOB.

''(3) The Board shall consult with the Securities and Exchange Commission on a biennial basis in order to ensure compliance with paragraph (2).''.

SA 1755. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division F, insert the following:

TITLE IV—MEDICAL MANUFACTURING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SEC. 6401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Medical Manufacturing, Economic Development, and Sustainability Act of 2021'' or the ''MMEDS Act of 2021''.

SEC. 6402. ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED ZONES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new subchapter:

''Subchapter AA—Medical Product Manufacturing in Economically Distressed Zones

''SUBCHAPTER AA—MEDICAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURING IN ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED ZONES

''Sec. 1400AA–1. Medical product manufacturing in economically distressed zone credit.

''Sec. 1400AA–2. Credit for economically distressed zone products and services acquired by domestic medical product manufacturers.

''Sec. 1400AA–3. Special rules to secure the national supply chain.

''Sec. 1400AA–4. Designation of economically distressed zones.

''SEC. 1400AA–1. MEDICAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURING IN ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED ZONE CREDIT.

''(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—There shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed by subtitle A for the taxable year an amount equal to 40 percent of the sum of—

''(1) the aggregate amount of the taxpayer's medical product manufacturing economically distressed zone wages for such taxable year,

''(2) the allocable employee fringe benefit expenses of the taxpayer for such taxable year, and

''(3) the depreciation and amortization allowances of the taxpayer for the taxable year with respect to qualified medical product manufacturing facility property.

''(b) DENIAL OF DOUBLE BENEFIT.—Any wages or other expenses taken into account in determining the credit under this section may not be taken into account in determining the credit under sections 41, and any other provision determined by the Secretary to be substantially similar.

''(c) DEFINITIONS AND SPECIAL RULES.—For purposes of this section—

''(1) ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED ZONE WAGES.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'economically distressed zone wages' means amounts paid or incurred for wages during the taxable year which are—

''(i) in connection with the active conduct of a trade or business of the taxpayer, and

''(ii) paid or incurred for an employee the principal place of employment of whom is in a qualified medical product manufacturing facility of such taxpayer.

''(B) LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF WAGES TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—The amount of wages which may be taken into account under subparagraph (A) with respect to any employee for any taxable year shall not exceed the contribution and benefit base determined under section 230 of the Social Security Act for the calendar year in which such taxable year begins.

''(ii) TREATMENT OF PART-TIME EMPLOYEES, ETC.—If—

''(I) any employee is not employed by the taxpayer on a substantially full-time basis at all times during the taxable year, or

''(II) the principal place of employment of any employee is not within an economically distressed zone at all times during the taxable year,

the limitation applicable under clause (i) with respect to such employee shall be the appropriate portion (as determined by the Secretary) of the limitation which would otherwise be in effect under clause (i).

''(C) TREATMENT OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES.—The term 'economically distressed zone wages' shall not include any wages paid to employees who are assigned by the employer to perform services for another person, unless the principal trade or business of the employer is to make employees available for temporary periods to other persons in return for compensation.

''(D) WAGES.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'wages' shall not include any amounts which are allocable employee fringe benefit expenses.

''(2) ALLOCABLE EMPLOYEE FRINGE BENEFIT EXPENSES.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'allocable employee fringe benefit expenses' means the aggregate amount allowable as a deduction under this chapter to the taxpayer for the taxable year for the following amounts which are allocable to employment in a qualified medical product manufacturing facility:

''(i) Employer contributions under a stock bonus, pension, profit-sharing, or annuity plan.

''(ii) Employer-provided coverage under any accident or health plan for employees.

''(iii) The cost of life or disability insurance provided to employees.

''(B) ALLOCATION.—For purposes of subparagraph (A), an amount shall be treated as allocable to a qualified medical product manufacturing facility only if such amount is with respect to employment of an individual for services provided, and the principal place of employment of whom is, in such facility.

''(3) QUALIFIED MEDICAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY.—The term 'qualified medical product manufacturing facility' means any facility that—

''(A) researches and develops or produces medical products or essential components of medical products, and

''(B) is located within an economically distressed zone.

''(4) QUALIFIED MEDICAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY PROPERTY.—The term 'qualified medical product manufacturing facility property' means any property originally used in (or consisting of) a qualified medical product manufacturing facility if such property is directly connected to the research, development, or production of a medical product.

''(5) MEDICAL PRODUCT; ESSENTIAL COMPONENT.—

''(A) MEDICAL PRODUCT.—The term 'medical product' means—

''(i) a drug that—

''(I) is a prescription drug subject to regulation under section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355) or section 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262);

''(II) is subject to regulation under section 802 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 382); or

''(III) is described in section 201(jj) of such Act (21 U.S.C. 321(jj)); or

''(ii) a device, as defined in section 201(h) of such Act (21 U.S.C. 321(h)).

''(B) ESSENTIAL COMPONENT.—The term 'essential component' means, with respect to a medical product—

''(i) an active pharmaceutical ingredient; or

''(ii) a protein, antibody, enzyme, hormone, or other organic material that is an active ingredient in a biological product.

''(6) AGGREGATION RULES.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this section, members of an affiliated group shall be treated as a single taxpayer.

''(B) AFFILIATED GROUP.—The term 'affiliated group' means an affiliated group (as defined in section 1504(a), determined without regard to section 1504(b)(3)) one or more members of which are engaged in the active conduct of a trade or business within an economically distressed zone.

''SEC. 1400AA–2. CREDIT FOR ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED ZONE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES ACQUIRED BY DOMESTIC MEDICAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS.

''(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—In the case of an eligible medical product manufacturer, there shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed by subtitle A for the taxable year an amount equal to the applicable percentage of the aggregate amounts paid or incurred by the taxpayer during such taxable year for qualified products or services.

''(b) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—For purposes of this section, the term applicable percentage means—

''(1) 30 percent in the case of amounts paid or incurred to persons not described in paragraph (2) or (3), and

''(2) 5 percent in the case of amounts paid or incurred to a related person.

''(c) ELIGIBLE MEDICAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURER.—For purposes of this section, the term 'eligible medical product manufacturer' means any person in the trade or business of producing medical products in the United States.

''(d) QUALIFIED PRODUCT OR SERVICE.—For purposes of this section, the term 'qualified product or service' means—

''(1) any product which is produced in an economically distressed zone and which is integrated into a medical product produced by the taxpayer, and

''(2) any service which is provided in an economically distressed zone and which is necessary to the production of a medical product by the taxpayer (including packaging).

''(e) RELATED PERSONS.—For purposes of this section, persons shall be treated as related to each other if such persons would be treated as a single employer under the regulations prescribed under section 52(b).

''(f) OTHER TERMS.—Terms used in this section which are also used in section 1400AA–1 shall have the same meaning as when used in such section.

''SEC. 1400AA–3. SPECIAL RULES TO SECURE THE NATIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a qualified repatriated pharmaceutical manufacturing facility, section 1400AA–1(a) shall be applied by substituting '60 percent' for '40 percent'.

''(b) ELECTION TO EXPENSE IN LIEU OF TAX CREDIT FOR DEPRECIATION.—In the case of a taxpayer which elects (at such time and in such manner as the Secretary may provide) the application of this subsection with respect to any qualified repatriated medical product manufacturing facility or qualified population health product manufacturing facility—

''(1) section 1400AA–1(a)(3) shall not apply with respect to any qualified medical product manufacturing facility property with respect to such facility, and

''(2) for purposes of section 168(k)—

''(A) such property shall be treated as qualified property, and

''(B) the applicable percentage with respect to such property shall be 100 percent.

''(c) QUALIFIED REPATRIATED MEDICAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY.—For purposes of this section, the term 'qualified repatriated medical product manufacturing facility' means any qualified medical product manufacturing facility (as defined in section 1400AA–1) the production of which was moved to an economically distressed zone from a foreign country that the United States Trade Representative has determined could pose a risk to the national supply chain because of political or social factors.

''SEC. 1400AA–4. DESIGNATION OF ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED ZONES.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this subchapter, the term 'economically distressed zone' means any population census tract within the United States which—

''(1) has a poverty rate of not less than 35 percent for each of the 5 most recent calendar years for which information is available, or

''(2) satisfies each of the following requirements:

''(A) The census tract has pervasive poverty, unemployment, low labor force participation, and general distress measured as a prolonged period of economic decline measured by real gross national product.

''(B) The census tract has a poverty rate of not less than 30 percent for each of the 5

most recent calendar years for which information is available.

''(C) The census tract has been designated as such by the Secretary and the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to an application under subsection (b).

''(b) APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—An application for designation as an economically distressed zone may be filed by a State or local government in which the population census tract to which the application applies is located.

''(2) REQUIREMENTS.—Such application shall include a strategic plan for accomplishing the purposes of this subchapter, which—

''(A) describes the coordinated economic, human, community, and physical development plan and related activities proposed for the nominated area,

''(B) describes the process by which the affected community is a full partner in the process of developing and implementing the plan and the extent to which local institutions and organizations have contributed to the planning process,

''(C) identifies the amount of State, local, and private resources that will be available in the nominated area and the private/public partnerships to be used, which may include participation by, and cooperation with, universities, medical centers, and other private and public entities,

''(D) identifies the funding requested under any Federal program in support of the proposed economic, human, community, and physical development and related activities,

''(E) identifies baselines, methods, and benchmarks for measuring the success of carrying out the strategic plan, including the extent to which poor persons and families will be empowered to become economically self-sufficient, and

''(F) does not include any action to assist any establishment in relocating from one area outside the nominated area to the nominated area, except that assistance for the expansion of an existing business entity through the establishment of a new branch, affiliate, or subsidiary is permitted if—

''(i) the establishment of the new branch, affiliate, or subsidiary will not result in a decrease in employment in the area of original location or in any other area where the existing business entity conducts business operations,

''(ii) there is no reason to believe that the new branch, affiliate, or subsidiary is being established with the intention of closing down the operations of the existing business entity in the area of its original location or in any other area where the existing business entity conducts business operation, and

''(iii) includes such other information as may be required by the Secretary and the Secretary of Commerce.

''(c) PERIOD FOR WHICH DESIGNATIONS ARE IN EFFECT.—Designation as an economically distressed zone may be made at any time during the 10-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this section, and shall remain in effect with respect to such zone during the 15-year period beginning on the date of such designation. Economically distressed zones described in subsection (a)(1) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act and shall remain in effect during the 15-year period beginning on such date.

''(d) TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS.—The term 'United States' includes the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the territories and possessions of the United States.

''(e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall issue such regulations or other guidance as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section, including—

''(1) not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this section, a list of the population census tracts described in subsection (a)(1), and

''(2) not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this section, regulations or other guidance regarding the designation of population census tracts described in subsection (a)(2).''.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of subchapters for chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

''SUBCHAPTER AA—MEDICAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURING IN ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED ZONES''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. 6403. REPORT ON NEED FOR INCENTIVIZING DEVELOPMENT OF THERAPIES.

Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall examine and report to the Congress on—

(1) the extent to which the health of aging individuals in the United States, African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, veterans, or other vulnerable populations in the United States has been disproportionately harmed by the COVID–19 pandemic and prior epidemics and pandemics;

(2) the therapies currently available, and whether there is a need for additional innovation and development to produce therapies, to reduce the exposure of vulnerable populations in the United States to risk of disproportionate harm in epidemics and pandemics; and

(3) whether the Secretary recommends providing the same incentives for the development and marketing of therapies described in paragraph (2) as is provided under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.) with respect to qualified infectious disease products designated under section 505E(d) of such Act (21 U.S.C. 355f(d)).

SA 1756. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. DAINES) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. 2501A. NATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the end of each calendar year immediately after the calendar year in which a review under section 2501B is completed, the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, in consultation with the National Science and Technology Council, shall develop and submit to Congress a comprehensive national science and technology strategy of the United States to meet national research and development objectives for the following 4-year period (in this section referred to as the ''national science and technology strategy'').

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—Each national science and technology strategy required by subsection (a) shall delineate a national science and technology strategy consistent with—

(1) the recommendations and priorities developed by the review established in section 2501B;

(2) the most recent national security strategy report submitted pursuant to section 1032 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (50 U.S.C. 3043);

(3) other relevant national plans; and

(4) the strategic plans of relevant Federal departments and agencies.

(c) CONSULTATION.—The Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy shall consult, as necessary, with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the heads of other appropriate elements of the Executive Office of the President to ensure that the recommendations and priorities delineated in the science and technology strategy are incorporated in the development of annual budget requests.

(d) REPORT.—The President shall submit to Congress each year a comprehensive report on the national science and technology strategy of the United States. Each report on the national science and technology strategy of the United States shall include a description of—

(1) strategic objectives and priorities necessary to maintain the leadership of the United States in science and technology, including near-term, medium-term, and long-term research priorities;

(2) programs, policies, and activities that the President recommends across all Federal agencies to achieve the strategic objectives in paragraph (1); and

(3) global trends in science and technology, including potential threats to the leadership of the United States in science and technology.

(e) PUBLICATION.—The Director shall, consistent with the protection of national security and other sensitive matters to the maximum extent practicable, make each report submitted under subsection (d) publicly available on an internet website of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

SEC. 2501B. INTERAGENCY QUADRENNIAL INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY REVIEW.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Environment and Public Works, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee Science, Space, and Technology and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives.

(2) INTERAGENCY.—The term ''interagency'' with respect to a review means that the review is conducted in consultation and coordination between Federal agencies, including the Department of Commerce, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Defense, the Department of Energy, the Environmental Protection Agency, and such other related agencies as the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy considers appropriate, as well as the following:

(A) The National Science and Technology Council.

(B) The President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology.

(C) The National Science Board.

(D) the National Security Council.

(E) The Council of Economic Advisers.

(F) The National Economic Council.

(G) The Domestic Policy Council.

(H) The Office of the United States Trade Representative.

(b) INTERAGENCY QUADRENNIAL INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY REVIEW REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this division, and every 4 years thereafter, the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy shall complete an interagency review of the science and technology enterprise of the United States (in this section referred to as the ''quadrennial innovation and technology review'').

(2) SCOPE.—The quadrennial innovation and technology review shall be a comprehensive examination of the science and technology strategy of the United States, including recommendations for maintaining global leadership in science and technology and guidance on the coordination of programs, assets, capabilities, budget, policies, and authorities across all Federal research and development programs to strengthen United State technology policy in order to capitalize on the opportunities, address the barriers, and incorporate the necessary safeguards to protect our national and economic security.

(3) STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK AND PRIORITY MISSIONS.—Each quadrennial innovation and technology review shall include development of a strategic framework and priority missions by—

(A) gathering current data on domestic and global trends in innovation and technology;

(B) developing an integrated view of, and recommendations for, Federal technology policy in the context of economic, occupational, security, environmental, and health and safety priorities, with specific attention given to the challenges, opportunities, and safeguards needed for the technology development of the United States;

(C) reviewing the adequacy, with respect to technology policy, of legislative and administrative action in effect during the period covered by the quadrennial innovation and technology review, and developing recommendations for additional legislative and administrative actions as appropriate;

(D) assessing and recommending priorities for Federal research, development, demonstration, adoption, commercialization, and security programs to support key technology-innovation goals;

(E) developing recommendations regarding the analytical tools and data needed to support further policy development and implementation; and

(F) developing recommendations for development of a Federal budget and for Federal regulatory actions.

(4) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out each quadrennial innovation and technology review, the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy shall consult with the following:

(A) Congress.

(B) Federal agencies, including Federal agencies not described in subsection (a)(2).

(C) Experts in national security.

(D) Representatives of specific technology industries, as the Director considers appropriate.

(E) Academics.

(F) State, local, and Tribal governments.

(G) Nongovernmental organizations.

(H) The public.

(c) CONTENTS.—In each quadrennial innovation and technology review, the Director shall—

(1) provide an integrated view of, and recommendations for, science and technology policy across the Federal Government, while considering economic and national security;

(2) assess and recommend priorities for research, development and demonstration programs to maintain American leadership in science and technology;

(3) assess the global competition in science and technology and identify potential threats to the leadership of the United States in science and technology;

(4) assess and make recommendations on the science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and computer science workforce in the United States;

(5) assess and make recommendations to improve regional innovation across the United States;

(6) assess and identify the infrastructure and tools needed to maintain the leadership of the United States in science and technology; and

(7) review administrative or legislative policies that affect the science and technology enterprise and identify and make recommendations on policies that hinder research and development in the United States.

(d) MATTERS COVERED AND CONSIDERATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), each quadrennial innovation and technology review shall cover such matters as the Director considers appropriate pursuant to an internal process that the Director shall establish to assess the timeliest activities and needs of the Federal Government, as well as with consideration given to the following:

(A) Technology development and deployment, including matters relating to the following:

(i) The Federal budget and the global competitiveness of the United States.

(ii) High-level emerging computing and machine learning technologies, such as artificial intelligence.

(iii) Quantum computing and high performance computing, semiconductors, and advanced computer hardware.

(iv) Essential public, private, private, and consumer technologies such as access to high-quality broadband in the United States, including progress in the development of advanced wireless communication, the internet of things, and intelligent transportation solutions, which all can contribute to smarter communities, including in rural, urban, suburban, and Tribal areas.

(v) Physical sciences, such as the development of clean energy technologies and environmental solutions, biomedical and biotechnology innovation, and robotic technology.

(vi) Such other matters as the Director considers appropriate for the review.

(B) Innovation and technology safeguards, including matters relating to the following:

(i) Algorithmic and biometric bias.

(ii) Cybersecurity.

(iii) Data privacy.

(iv) The effects of United States technology exports on the following:

(I) International human rights law violations.

(II) Aid to illiberal and authoritarian regimes.

(III) The environment and ecological health.

(IV) Such other United States policy goals that the Director considers relevant.

(v) Market competitiveness of national and international technology companies, factoring in United States startups and small business concerns.

(vi) The role of the United States in international standards-setting processes concerning issues of functionality, operability, safety, and human rights.

(C) Workforce and manufacturing capabilities, including the following:

(i) Assessment of current Federal, State, or local policies relating to expanding and retaining the United States technological and industrial-base, including the necessary domestic workforce, which may include the following:

(I) Manufacturing and other industrial subsidies.

(II) Related tax benefits.

(III) Investments in education and training for related industries.

(IV) Use of government procurement policies to encourage domestic production.

(V) Government-mandated production, including under the Defense Production Act (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.).

(VI) Trade agreements that advantage or make domestic manufacturing globally competitive.

(VII) Export controls.

(VIII) Supply chain policies.

(ii) The ability of the United States to attract top research and development talent from an international pool and how that confers upon the United States a significant advantage.

(2) MODIFICATIONS.—In carrying out a quadrennial innovation and technology review, the Director may add or remove key technology focus areas covered by the review as the Director considers appropriate if the Director determines that competitive threats to the United States have shifted.

(e) COOPERATION ON COLLECTION OF DATA AND INFORMATION.—In carrying out each quadrennial innovation and technology review, the Director shall coordinate with such Federal agencies as the Director requires to collect data and information—

(1) to recommend coordinated administrative actions across Federal agencies;

(2) to identify the resources needed for the safe invention, adoption, and integration of technologies;

(3) to provide a strong analytical base for Federal policy decisions;

(4) to consider reasonable estimates of future Federal budgetary resources when making recommendations; and

(5) to provide Congress with such recommendations for action.

(f) LEVERAGING EXISTING WORK PRODUCT.—In carrying out each quadrennial innovation and technology review, the Director shall make an effort to use or expand upon reports and assessments produced or being developed by the various elements of the Federal Government, in accordance with all applicable provisions of law.

(g) REPORTING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31 of the year in which a quadrennial innovation and technology review is conducted, the Director shall submit to Congress a report on the review.

(2) PUBLICATION.—The Director shall, consistent with the protection of national security and other sensitive matters to the maximum extent possible, make each report submitted under paragraph (1) publicly available on an internet website of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

(h) PERIODIC REPORTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after completion of a quadrennial innovation and technology review, the Director shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a comprehensive report on the review.

(2) CONTENTS.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) The assessments of the Director for improvements to the quadrennial innovation and technology review, including recommendations for additional matters to be covered in the review.

(B) Such other matters as the Director considers appropriate.

(3) FORM.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(i) INTERIM ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 30 months after the date of the submittal of the first report under subsection (h)(1), the Director shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress an assessment of the most recently completed quadrennial innovation and technology review, including—

(1) an assessment of the implementation by the Office of Science and Technology Policy of the strategic framework developed under subsection (b)(3) as part of such review; and

(2) an assessment whether such strategic framework requires revision as a result of changes in assumptions, policy, or other factors.

SA 1757. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. PORTMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. ESTABLISHMENT OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS-SETTING TASK FORCE.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy shall establish a task force on setting emerging technology standards.

(2) DESIGNATION.—The task force established under paragraph (1) shall be known as the ''Emerging Technology Standards-Setting Task Force'' (in this section referred to as the ''Task Force'').

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—

(1) COMPOSITION.—The Task Force shall be composed of members as follows:

(A) The Director.

(B) At least two individuals selected by the Secretary of Commerce, one whom—

(i) at least one shall be selected by the Secretary to represent the Department of Commerce generally; and

(ii) at least one shall be selected by the Secretary to represent the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

(C) At least one individual selected by the Secretary of State to represent the Department of State.

(D) At least one individual selected by the Secretary of Defense to represent the Department of Defense.

(E) At least one individual selected by the Secretary of Energy to represent the Department of Energy.

(F) At least one individual selected by the Secretary of Labor to represent the Department of Labor.

(G) At least one individual selected by the Secretary of Transportation to represent the Department of Transportation.

(H) At least one individual selected by the Attorney General to represent the Department of Justice.

(I) At least one individual selected by the Secretary of the Treasury to represent the Department of the Treasury.

(2) CHAIRPERSON.—The Chairperson of the Task Force shall be the Director.

(c) DUTIES.—

(1) STRATEGIC PLAN.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Task Force shall develop a long-term strategic plan for the United States to lead emerging technology standards-setting processes.

(2) ADDITIONAL DUTIES.—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Task Force shall—

(A) assess which technology standards (such as fifth and sixth generation wireless networking technology and artificial intelligence) have the greatest effect on national security and economic competitiveness;

(B) describe and analyze the ways in which standards setting processes can be misused by governments for protectionist ends and human rights abuses;

(C) establish and execute a strategy to ensure credibility and engagement with international institutions; and

(D) develop a list of allies and partners with which to align with respect to the strategy to be established and executed under subparagraph (B).

(d) ENGAGEMENT.—In carrying out the duties of the Task Force, the Task Force shall engage with academia and the private sector.

(e) STAFF.—The Chairperson of the Task Force may appoint or delegate an executive director and such other additional personnel as may be necessary to enable the Task Force to perform its duties.

SA 1758. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. MORAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike subsection (b) of section 2627 and insert the following:

(b) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter III of chapter 201 of title 51, United States Code, as amended by section 2627, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

''§ 20152 Payments received for commercial space-enable production

''(a) ANNUAL REVIEW.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this section, and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall review the profitability of any partnership with a private entity under a contract in which the Administrator—

''(A) permits the use of the ISS by such private entities to produce a commercial product or service; and

''(B) provides the total unreimbursed cost of a contribution by the Federal Government for the use of Federal facilities, equipment, materials, proprietary information of the Federal Government, or services of a Federal employee during working hours, including the cost for the Administration to carry out its responsibilities under paragraphs (1) and (4) of section 504(d) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18354(d)).

''(2) NEGOTIATION OF REIMBURSEMENTS.—Subject to the review described in paragraph (1), the Administrator shall seek to enter into an agreement to negotiate reimbursements for payments received, or portions of profits created, by any mature, profitable private entity described in that paragraph, as appropriate, through a tiered process that reflects the profitability of the relevant product or service.

''(3) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts received by the Administrator in accordance with an agreement under paragraph (2) shall be used by the Administrator in the following order of priority:

''(A) To defray the operating cost of the ISS.

''(B) To develop, implement, or operate future low-Earth orbit platforms or capabilities.

''(C) To develop, implement, or operate future human deep space platforms or capabilities.

''(D) Any other costs the Administrator considers appropriate.

''(4) REPORT.—On completion of the first annual review under paragraph (1), and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that includes a description of the results of the annual review, any agreement entered into under this section, and the amounts recouped or obtained under any such agreement.

''(b) LICENSING AND ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTIONS.—Notwithstanding sections 3710a and 3710c of title 15 and any other provision of law, after payment in accordance with subsection (A)(i) of such section 3710c(a)(1)(A)(i) to the inventors who have directly assigned to the Federal Government their interests in an invention under a written contract with the Administration or the ISS management entity for the performance of a designated activity, the balance of any royalty or other payment received by the Administrator or the ISS management entity from licensing and assignment of such invention shall be paid by the Administrator or the ISS management entity, as applicable, to the Space Exploration Fund.

''(c) SPACE EXPLORATION FUND.—

''(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a fund, to be known as the 'Space Exploration Fund' (referred to in this subsection as the 'Fund'), to be administered by the Administrator.

''(2) USE OF FUND.—The Fund shall be available to carry out activities described in subsection (a)(3).

''(3) DEPOSITS.—There shall be deposited in the Fund—

''(A) amounts appropriated to the Fund;

''(B) fees collected by the Administrator under subsection (a);

''(C) royalties and other payments collected by the Administrator or the ISS management entity under subsection (b); and

''(D) donations or contributions designated to support authorized activities.

''(4) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Amounts available to the Administrator under this subsection shall be—

''(A) in addition to amounts otherwise made available for the purpose described in paragraph (2); and

''(B) available for a period of 5 years.

''(5) LIMITATION ON COLLECTION AND AVAILABILITY.—Fees under paragraph (3)(B) and donations and contributions under paragraph 3(D) shall be collected and available pursuant to this subsection only to the extent and in such amounts as provided in advance in appropriations Acts.

''(d) DEFINITIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, any term used in this section that is also used in section 20150 shall have the meaning given the term in that section.

''(2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term 'appropriate committees of Congress' means—

''(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

''(B) the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.''.

SA 1759. Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

TITLE IV—TOXIC EXPOSURE SAFETY ACT OF 2021

SECTION 6401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Toxic Exposure Safety Act of 2021''.

SEC. 6402. ESTABLISHING A TOXIC SPECIAL EXPOSURE COHORT.

(a) EXPANSION OF COVERED EMPLOYEES AND DEFINITION OF COVERED ILLNESSES UNDER SUBTITLE E.—Section 3671 of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) by striking ''employee determined under'' and inserting the following: ''employee determined—

''(A) under'';

(B) by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; or''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(B) to have contracted a covered illness and be a member of the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort established under section 3671A.''; and

(2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

''(2) The term 'covered illness' means an occupational illness or death resulting from exposure to a toxic substance, including—

''(A) all forms of cancer;

''(B) malignant mesothelioma;

''(C) pneumoconiosis, including silicosis, asbestosis, and other pneumoconiosis, and other asbestos-related diseases, including asbestos-related pleural disease;

''(D) any illness identified in a health studies report under section 6405(f)(4) of the Toxic Exposure Safety Act of 2021 or a report under section 3615(f)(2)(D); and

''(E) any additional illness that the Secretary of Health and Human Services designates by regulation, as such Secretary determines appropriate based on—

''(i) the results of the report under section 3671A(c); and

''(ii) the determinations made by such Secretary in establishing a Toxic Special Exposure Cohort under section 3671A.''.

(b) DESIGNATION OF TOXIC SPECIAL EXPOSURE COHORT.—Subtitle E of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 3671 the following:

''SEC. 3671A. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TOXIC SPECIAL EXPOSURE COHORT.

''(a) CERTAIN DESIGNATIONS.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention—

''(1) shall establish a Toxic Special Exposure Cohort; and

''(2) as the Secretary determines appropriate in accordance with the rules promulgated under subsection (b), may designate classes of Department of Energy employees, Department of Energy contractor employees, or atomic weapons employees as members of the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort.

''(b) PROMULGATION OF RULES.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Toxic Exposure Safety Act of 2021, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall promulgate rules—

''(1) establishing a process to determine whether there are classes of Department of Energy employees, Department of Energy contractor employees, or other classes of employees employed at any Department of Energy facility—

''(A) who were at least as likely as not exposed to toxic substances at a Department of Energy facility; and

''(B) for whom the Secretary of Health and Human Services has determined, after taking into consideration the recommendations of the Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health on the matter, that it is not feasible to estimate with sufficient accuracy the frequency, intensity, and duration of exposure they received; and

''(2) regarding how the Secretary of Health and Human Services will designate employees, or classes of employees, described in paragraph (1) as members of the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort established under subsection (a)(1), which shall include a requirement that the Secretary shall make initial determinations regarding such designations.

''(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of the Toxic Exposure Safety Act of 2021, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall submit to the relevant committees of Congress a report that identifies each of the following:

''(A) A list of cancers and other illnesses associated with toxic substances that pose, or posed, a hazard in the work environment at any Department of Energy facility.

''(B) The minimum duration of work required to qualify for the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort established under subsection (a)(1).

''(C) The class of employees that are designated as members in the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort.

''(2) RELEVANT COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term 'relevant committees of Congress' means—

''(A) the Committee on Armed Services, Committee on Appropriations, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate; and

''(B) the Committee on Armed Services, Committee on Appropriations, Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives.''.

(c) ALLOWING SUBTITLE B CLAIMS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE TOXIC SPECIAL EXPOSURE COHORT.—Section 3621(1) of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7384l(1)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(D) A Department of Energy employee or atomic weapons employee who—

''(i) has contracted a covered illness (as defined in section 3671); and

''(ii) satisfies the requirements established by the Secretary of Health and Human Services for the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort under section 3671A.''.

(d) CLARIFICATION OF TOXIC SUBSTANCE EXPOSURE FOR COVERED ILLNESSES.—Section 3675(c)(1) of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s–4(c)(1)) is amended by inserting ''(including chemicals or combinations or mixtures of a toxic substance, including heavy metals, and radiation)'' after ''toxic substance'' each place such term appears.

SEC. 6403. PROVIDING INFORMATION REGARDING DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FACILITIES.

Subtitle E of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 3681 the following:

''SEC. 3681A. COMPLETION AND UPDATES OF SITE EXPOSURE MATRICES.

''(a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term 'site exposure matrices' means an exposure assessment of a Department of Energy facility that identifies the toxic substances or processes that were used in each building or process of the facility, including the trade name (if any) of the substance.

''(b) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of the Toxic Exposure Safety Act of 2021, the Secretary of Labor shall, in coordination with the Secretary of Energy, create or update site exposure matrices for each Department of Energy facility based on the records, files, and other data provided by the Secretary of Energy and such other information as is available, including information available from the former worker medical screening programs of the Department of Energy.

''(c) PERIODIC UPDATE.—Beginning 90 days after the initial creation or update described in subsection (b), and each 90 days thereafter, the Secretary shall update the site exposure matrices with all information available as of such time from the Secretary of Energy.

''(d) INFORMATION.—The Secretary of Energy shall furnish to the Secretary of Labor any information that the Secretary of Labor finds necessary or useful for the production of the site exposure matrices under this section, including records from the Department of Energy former worker medical screening program.

''(e) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary of Labor shall make available to the public, on the primary website of the Department of Labor—

''(1) the site exposure matrices, as periodically updated under subsections (b) and (c);

''(2) each site profile prepared under section 3633(a);

''(3) any other database used by the Secretary of Labor to evaluate claims for compensation under this title; and

''(4) statistical data, in the aggregate and disaggregated by each Department of Energy facility, regarding—

''(A) the number of claims filed under this subtitle and the number of claims filed by members of the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort who are covered under subtitle B;

''(B) the types of illnesses claimed;

''(C) the number of claims filed for each type of illness and, for each claim, whether the claim was approved or denied;

''(D) the number of claimants receiving compensation; and

''(E) the length of time required to process each claim, as measured from the date on which the claim is filed to the final disposition of the claim.

''(f) FUNDING.—There is authorized and hereby appropriated to the Secretary of Energy, for fiscal year 2021 and each succeeding year, such sums as may be necessary to support the Secretary of Labor in creating or updating the site exposure matrices.''.

SEC. 6404. ASSISTING CURRENT AND FORMER EMPLOYEES UNDER THE EEOICPA.

(a) PROVIDING INFORMATION AND OUTREACH.—Subtitle A of the Energy Employees

Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7384d et seq.) is amended—

(1) by redesignating section 3614 as section 3616; and

(2) by inserting after section 3613 the following:

"SEC. 3614. INFORMATION AND OUTREACH.

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF TOLL-FREE INFORMATION PHONE NUMBER.—By not later than January 1, 2022, the Secretary of Labor shall establish a toll-free phone number that current or former employees of the Department of Energy, or current or former Department of Energy contractor employees, may use in order to receive information regarding—

''(1) the compensation program under subtitle B or E;

''(2) information regarding the process of submitting a claim under either compensation program;

''(3) assistance in completing the occupational health questionnaire required as part of a claim under subtitle B or E;

''(4) the next steps to take if a claim under subtitle B or E is accepted or denied; and

''(5) such other information as the Secretary determines necessary to further the purposes of this title.

''(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF RESOURCE AND ADVOCACY CENTERS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—By not later than January 1, 2023, the Secretary of Energy, in coordination with the Secretary of Labor, shall establish a resource and advocacy center at each Department of Energy facility where cleanup operations are being carried out, or have been carried out, under the environmental management program of the Department of Energy. Each such resource and advocacy center shall assist current or former Department of Energy employees and current or former Department of Energy contractor employees, by enabling the employees and contractor employees to—

''(A) receive information regarding all related programs available to them relating to potential claims under this title, including—

''(i) programs under subtitles B and E; and

''(ii) the former worker medical screening program of the Department of Energy; and

''(B) navigate all such related programs.

''(2) COORDINATION.—The Secretary of Energy shall integrate other programs available to current and former employees, and current or former Department of Energy contractor employees, which are related to the purposes of this title, with the resource and advocacy centers established under paragraph (1), as appropriate.

''(c) INFORMATION.—The Secretary of Labor shall develop and distribute, through the resource and advocacy centers established under subsection (b) and other means, information (which may include responses to frequently asked questions) for current or former employees or current or former Department of Energy contractor employees about the programs under subtitles B and E and the claims process under such programs.

''(d) COPY OF EMPLOYEE'S CLAIMS RECORDS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Labor shall, upon the request of a current or former employee or Department of Energy contractor employee, provide the employee with a complete copy of all records or other materials held by the Department of Labor relating to the employee's claim under subtitle B or E.

''(2) CHOICE OF FORMAT.—The Secretary of Labor shall provide the copy of records described in paragraph (1) to an employee in electronic or paper form, as selected by the employee.

''(e) CONTACT OF EMPLOYEES BY INDUSTRIAL HYGIENISTS.—The Secretary of Labor shall allow industrial hygienists to contact and interview current or former employees or Department of Energy contractor employees regarding the employee's claim under subtitle B or E.''.

(b) EXTENDING APPEAL PERIOD.—Section 3677(a) of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s–6(a)) is amended by striking ''60 days'' and inserting ''180 days''.

(c) FUNDING.—Section 3684 of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s–13) is amended—

(1) by striking ''There is authorized'' and inserting the following:

''(a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized'';

(2) by inserting before the period at the end the following: '', including the amounts necessary to carry out the requirements of section 3681A''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

''(b) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FOR DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.—There is authorized and hereby appropriated to the Secretary of Energy for fiscal year 2021 and each succeeding year such sums as may be necessary to support the Secretary in carrying out the requirements of this title, including section 3681A.''.

(d) ADVISORY BOARD ON TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND WORKER HEALTH.—Section 3687 of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s–16) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1)(F), by striking ''and'' after the semicolon;

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(3) develop recommendations for the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding—

''(A) whether there is a class of Department of Energy employees, Department of Energy contractor employees, or other employees at any Department of Energy facility who were at least as likely as not exposed to toxic substances at that facility but for whom it is not feasible to estimate with sufficient accuracy the dose they received; and

''(B) the conditions or requirements that should be met in order for an individual to be designated as a member of the Special Exposure Cohort under section 3671A; and

''(4) review all existing, as of the date of the review, rules and guidelines issued by the Secretary regarding presumption of causation and provide the Secretary with recommendations for new rules and guidelines regarding presumption of causation.'';

(2) in subsection (c)(3), by inserting ''or the Board'' after ''The Secretary'';

(3) by redesignating subsections (h) and (i) as subsections (i) and (j), respectively; and

(4) by inserting after subsection (g) the following:

''(h) REQUIRED RESPONSES TO BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the date on which the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Health and Human Services receives recommendations in accordance with paragraph (1), (3), or (4) of subsection (b), such Secretary shall submit formal responses to each recommendation to the Board and Congress.''.

SEC. 6405. RESEARCH PROGRAM ON EPIDEMIOLOGICAL IMPACTS OF TOXIC EXPOSURES.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term ''Department of Energy facility'' has the meaning given the term in section 3621 of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7384l);

(2) the term ''institution of higher education'' has the meaning given such term in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001); and

(3) the term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary, acting through the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences and in collaboration with the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, shall conduct or support research on the epidemiological impacts of exposures to toxic substances at Department of Energy facilities.

(c) USE OF FUNDS.—Research under subsection (b) may include research on the epidemiological, clinical, or health impacts on individuals who were exposed to toxic substances in or near the tank or other storage farms and other relevant Department of Energy facilities through their work at such sites.

(d) ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION.—Any institution of higher education or the National Academy of Sciences may apply for funding under this section by submitting to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing or accompanied by such information as the Secretary may require.

(e) RESEARCH COORDINATION.—The Secretary shall coordinate activities under this section with similar activities conducted by the Department of Health and Human Services to the extent that other agencies have responsibilities that are related to the study of epidemiological, clinical, or health impacts of exposures to toxic substances.

(f) HEALTH STUDIES REPORT TO SECRETARY.—Not later than 1 year after the end of the funding period for research under this section, the funding recipient shall prepare and submit to the Secretary a final report that—

(1) summarizes the findings of the research;

(2) includes recommendations for any additional studies;

(3) describes any classes of employees that, based on the results of the study and in accordance with the rules promulgated by the Secretary under section 3671A(b) of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (as added by this title), qualify for inclusion in the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort under such section 3671A; and

(4) describes any illnesses to be included as covered illnesses under section 3671(2)(D) of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s(2)(D)).

(g) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date on which the reports under subsection (f) are due, the Secretary shall—

(A) designate all classes of employees described in the report under subsection (f)(3) as members of the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort under section 3671A of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (as added by this title);

(B) prepare and submit to the relevant committees of Congress a report—

(i) summarizing the findings from the reports required under subsection (f);

(ii) identifying the classes of employees designated under subparagraph (A);

(iii) identifying any new illnesses that, as a result of the study, will be included as covered illnesses, pursuant to subsection (f)(4) and section 3671(2)(D) of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s(2)(D)); and

(iv) including the Secretary's recommendations for additional health studies relating to toxic substances, if the Secretary determines it necessary.

(2) RELEVANT COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''relevant committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services, Committee on Appropriations, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services, Committee on Appropriations, Committee on Energy and Commerce, and Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives.

(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section $3,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026.

SEC. 6406. SUPERCOMPUTING FOR SAFER CHEMICALS (SUPERSAFE) CONSORTIUM.

(a) CONSORTIUM ESTABLISHED.—

(1) LN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy (referred to in this section as the ''Secretary''), in collaboration with the Secretary of Labor, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Director of the National Toxicology Program, and the heads of any other relevant Federal agencies, shall form a consortium, to be known as the ''Supercomputing for Safer Chemicals (SUPERSAFE) Consortium'' (referred to in this section as the ''Consortium'').

(2) INCLUSION OF STATE AGENCIES.—The Secretary of Energy shall allow heads of relevant State agencies to join the Consortium if the State agencies so request.

(b) CONSORTIUM ACTIVITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Consortium, working through the National Laboratories and public research institutions, shall use supercomputing and other similar capabilities—

(A) to establish rapid approaches for large-scale identification of toxic substances and the development of safer alternatives to those toxic substances by developing and validating computational toxicology methods based on unique high-performance computing, artificial intelligence/machine learning, and precision measurements;

(B) to transition to a more circular economy and cleaner energy by expanding knowledge to shift the market for toxic substances and products toward safe-by-design alternatives; and

(C) to address the burdens of—

(i) environmental toxic substance exposures in disadvantaged communities;

(ii) greater toxic substances use in products targeted towards those communities; and

(iii) exposure to toxic substances at Department of Energy facilities.

(2) MODELS.—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Consortium shall use supercomputers to develop, validate, and run models to predict adverse health effects caused by toxic substances.

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section—

(1) for fiscal year 2022, $20,000,000;

(2) for fiscal year 2023, $30,000,000; and

(3) for each of fiscal years 2024 through 2026, $35,000,000.

SEC. 6407. NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES REVIEW.

Subtitle A of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7384d et seq.), as amended by section 6404, is further amended by inserting after section 3614 the following:

''SEC. 3615. NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES REVIEW.

''(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to enable the National Academy of Sciences, a non-Federal entity with appropriate expertise, to review and evaluate the available scientific evidence regarding associations between diseases and exposure to toxic substances found at Department of Energy cleanup sites.

''(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY CLEANUP SITE.—The term 'Department of Energy cleanup site' means a Department of Energy facility where cleanup operations are being carried out, or have been carried out, under the environmental management program of the Department of Energy.

''(2) HEALTH STUDIES REPORT.—The term 'health studies report' means the report submitted under section 6405(f) of the Toxic Exposure Safety Act of 2021.

''(c) AGREEMENT.—Not later than 60 days after the issuance of the health studies report, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to carry out the requirements of this section.

''(d) REVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC AND MEDICAL EVIDENCE.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Under the agreement described in subsection (c), the National Academy of Sciences shall, for the period of the agreement—

''(A) for each area recommended for additional study under the health studies report under section 6405(f)(2) of the Toxic Exposure Safety Act of 2021, review and summarize the scientific evidence relating to the area, including—

''(i) studies by the Department of Energy and Department of Labor; and

''(ii) any other available and relevant scientific studies, to the extent that such studies are relevant to the occupational exposures that have occurred at Department of Energy cleanup sites; and

''(B) review and summarize the scientific and medical evidence concerning the association between exposure to toxic substances found at Department of Energy cleanup sites and resultant diseases.

''(2) SCIENTIFIC DETERMINATIONS CONCERNING DISEASES.—In conducting each review of scientific evidence under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1), the National Academy of Sciences shall—

''(A) assess the strength of such evidence;

''(B) assess whether a statistical association between exposure to a toxic substance and a disease exists, taking into account the strength of the scientific evidence and the appropriateness of the statistical and epidemiological methods used to detect an association;

''(C) assess the increased risk of disease among those exposed to the toxic substance during service during the production and cleanup eras of the Department of Energy cleanup sites;

''(D) survey the impact to health of the toxic substance, focusing on hematologic, renal, urologic, hepatic, gastrointestinal, neurologic, dermatologic, respiratory, endocrine, ocular, ear, nasal, and oropharyngeal diseases, including dementia, leukemia, chemical sensitivities, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; and

''(E) determine whether a plausible biological mechanism or other evidence of a causal relationship exists between exposure to the toxic substance and disease.

''(e) ADDITIONAL SCIENTIFIC STUDIES.—If the National Academy of Sciences determines, in the course of conducting the studies under subsection (d), that additional studies are needed to resolve areas of continuing scientific uncertainty relating to toxic exposure at Department of Energy cleanup sites, the National Academy of Sciences shall include, in the next report submitted under subsection (f), recommendations for areas of additional study, consisting of—

''(1) a list of diseases and toxins that require further evaluation and study;

''(2) a review the current information available, as of the date of the report, relating to such diseases and toxins;

''(3) the value of the information that would result from the additional studies; and

''(4) the cost and feasibility of carrying out additional studies.

''(f) REPORTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—By not later than 18 months after the date of the agreement under subsection (c), and every 2 years thereafter, the National Academy of Sciences shall prepare and submit a report to—

''(A) the Secretary;

''(B) the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate; and

''(C) the Committee on Natural Resources, the Committee on Education and Labor, and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives.

''(2) CONTENTS.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include, for the 18-month or 2-year period covered by the report—

''(A) a description of—

''(i) the reviews and studies conducted under this section;

''(ii) the determinations and conclusions of the National Academy of Sciences with respect to such reviews and studies; and

''(iii) the scientific evidence and reasoning that led to such conclusions;

''(B) the recommendations for further areas of study made under subsection (e) for the reporting period;

''(C) a description of any classes of employees that, based on the results of the reviews and studies and in accordance with the rules promulgated by the Secretary under section 3671A(b), qualify for inclusion in the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort under such section 3671A; and

''(D) the identification of any illness that the National Academy of Sciences has determined, as a result of the reviews and studies, should be a covered illness under section 3671(2)(D).

''(g) LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY.—The authority to enter into agreements under this section shall be effective for a fiscal year to the extent that appropriations are available.

''(h) SUNSET.—This section shall cease to be effective 10 years after the last day of the fiscal year in which the National Academy of Sciences transmits to the Secretary the first report under subsection (f).''.

SEC. 6408. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

The Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7384 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in the table of contents—

(A) by redesignating the item relating to section 3614 as the item relating to section 3616;

(B) by inserting after the item relating to section 3613 the following:

''Sec. 3614. Information and outreach.
''Sec. 3615. National Academy of Sciences review.'';

(C) by inserting after the item relating to section 3671 the following:

''Sec. 3671A. Establishment of the Toxic Special Exposure Cohort.'';

and

(D) by inserting after the item relating to section 3681 the following:

''Sec. 3681A. Completion and updates of site exposure matrices.'';

and

(2) in each of subsections (b)(1) and (c) of section 3612, by striking ''3614(b)'' and inserting ''3616(b)''.

SA 1760. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

TITLE VII—SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION VOUCHERS

SEC. 2701. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Small Business Innovation Voucher Act of 2021''.

SEC. 2702. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) DIRECTOR.—The term ''Director'' means the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

(2) PROGRAM.—The term ''Program'' means the Innovation Voucher Grant Program established under section 2703(a).

(3) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Commerce.

(4) SMALL BUSINESS.—The term ''small business'' means a business with 50 or fewer employees.

(5) SMALL BUSINESS IN AN UNDERSERVED MARKET.—The term ''small business in an underserved market'' means a small business concern owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (as defined in section 8(d)(3)(C) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(3)(C))) that is a small business (as defined in this section).

SEC. 2703. INNOVATION VOUCHER GRANT PROGRAM.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall, acting through the Director, establish a program under which the Secretary shall, on a competitive basis and in accordance with subsection (g), award to eligible entities grants or financial assistance in another form for the provision of technical assistance to small businesses to assist the small businesses in carrying out projects that advance research, development, or commercialization of new or innovative products and services.

(2) PURPOSES OF PROGRAM.—The purposes of the Program are—

(A) to foster collaboration between small businesses and research institutions or other similar organizations;

(B) to facilitate access by small businesses to capital-intensive infrastructure and advanced research capabilities;

(C) to enable small businesses to access technical expertise and capabilities that will lead to the development of innovative products;

(D) to promote business dynamism and competition;

(E) to stimulate United States leadership in advanced research, innovation, and technology;

(F) to accelerate the development of an advanced workforce; and

(G) to preserve and create new jobs.

(3) DESIGNATION.—The program established under paragraph (1) shall be known as the ''Innovation Voucher Grant Program''.

(b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of the Program, an eligible entity is an entity that the Director determines—

(A) is—

(i) an institution of higher education, as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001); or

(ii) a nonprofit research lab, institution, or other similar organization in the United States associated with educational or research activities, including a federally funded research and development center; and

(B) according to terms that the Director considers appropriate, is a suitable provider of knowledge for purposes of the program.

(2) GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—In determining whether entities are suitable providers of knowledge under paragraph (1)(B), the Director shall seek to establish geographic diversity among eligible entities.

(c) APPLICATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity seeking a grant or other financial assistance under the Program to assist the eligible entity in providing technical assistance to small businesses shall, in conjunction with one or more small businesses, submit to the Secretary an application therefor at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

(2) DEADLINE.—The Secretary shall establish a deadline for the submittal of applications under paragraph (1).

(3) SELECTION.—Not later than 180 days after the deadline established under paragraph (2), the Secretary shall select the recipients of the grants or other financial assistance under the Program.

(d) EVALUATION.—In evaluating an application for a grant or other financial assistance under the Program, the Secretary shall take into consideration—

(1) the likelihood that the amounts of the grant or financial assistance will be used to create or advance a novel product or service;

(2) the technical feasibility of creating or advancing a novel product or service proposed to be created or advanced using technical assistance provided with assistance under the Program; and

(3) whether creating or advancing a product or service proposed to be created or advanced using technical assistance supported by a grant under the Program could be accomplished without a grant awarded under the Program.

(e) AMOUNT.—A grant or other financial assistance awarded under the Program shall be awarded in an amount of not less than $20,000 and not more than $75,000, which shall remain available to the recipient of the grant until expended.

(f) AMOUNTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except to the extent that the Secretary determines otherwise, not less than 40 percent of the amounts made available for the Program in a fiscal year shall be set aside and expended through eligible entities providing technical assistance to—

(A) small businesses in underserved markets; or

(B) small businesses in regions or States that have historically been underserved by Federal research and development funds.

(2) REMAINING AMOUNT.—Any amount that is set aside under paragraph (1) in a fiscal year that is not expended by the end of the fiscal year shall be—

(A) except as provided in subparagraph (B), available in the following fiscal year to make grants to eligible entities described in paragraph (1); and

(B) on and after October 1, 2024, available to award grants to all eligible entities under the Program.

(g) FEDERAL SHARE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may not award a grant to an eligible entity under the Program to provide technical assistance to a small business unless the eligible entity agrees that, with respect to the costs to be incurred by the eligible entity in providing such technical assistance, the eligible entity will make available non-Federal contributions in an amount equal to—

(A) in the case of an award in an amount that is less than $50,000, not less than 25 percent of the amount of the award; and

(B) in the case of an award in an amount that is equal to or greater than $50,000, not less than 50 percent of the amount of the award.

(2) SOURCES OF NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—Non-Federal contributions under paragraph (1) may be derived from non-Federal contributions provided by the eligible entity, the small business, or from such State and local government sources as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(h) REPORTS.—

(1) REPORTS FROM GRANT RECIPIENTS.—Not later than 180 days after the date on which a project carried out with technical assistance provided with support from a grant or other financial assistance awarded under the Program is completed, the recipient of the grant or other financial assistance shall submit to the Secretary a report on the project, including—

(A) whether and how the project met the original expectations for the project;

(B) how the results of the project were incorporated in the business of the small business; and

(C) whether and how the project improved innovation practices of the small business.

(2) REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.—Not later than 2 years after the date on which the Secretary establishes the Program, and every 2 years thereafter until the date on which the amounts appropriated for the Program are expended, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives a report on grants and other financial assistance awarded under the Program, including—

(A) a description of the grants and financial assistance awarded;

(B) the estimated number of products or services created or advanced with technical assistance supported by a grant or other financial assistance awarded under the Program that could have been created or advanced without a grant or financial assistance awarded under the Program; and

(C) a description of the impact of the Program on knowledge transfer and commercialization.

(3) FINAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.—Not later than 180 days after the date on which amounts appropriated for the Program are expended, the Secretary shall submit to the committees described in paragraph (2) a final report containing the information described in subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of that paragraph.

SEC. 2704. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out the Program $10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026, to remain available until expended.

SA 1761. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes;

which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. PERMANENCY OF SBIR AND STTR PROGRAMS.

(a) SBIR.—Section 9(m) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(m)) is amended—

(1) in the subsection heading, by striking ''TERMINATION'' and inserting ''SBIR PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION''; and

(2) by striking ''terminate on September 30, 2022'' and inserting ''be in effect for each fiscal year''.

(b) STTR.—Section 9(n)(1)(A) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(n)(1)(A)) is amended by striking ''through fiscal year 2022''.

SA 1762. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title II of division B, add the following:

SEC. 2219. STAFF TO ENSURE GRANT COMPLIANCE.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Director shall dedicate staff from the Foundation to ensure compliance with grants awarded by the Foundation to ensure foreign government talent recruitment programs do not misappropriate funding from the Foundation.

SA 1763. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. NON-FEDERAL WITNESS DISCLOSURE OF GRANTS, PAYMENTS, AND CONTRACT AWARDS FROM FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term ''covered period'' means the period—

(A) beginning on January 1 of the year that is 2 years before the year during which a non-Federal witness appears as a witness; and

(B) ending on the date on which the proposed testimony of the non-Federal witness is submitted;

(2) the term ''foreign government award'' means a grant, payment, or contract award, or a promise thereof, from a foreign government; and

(3) the term ''non-Federal witness'' means an individual appearing as witness at a hearing of a committee of the Senate, or a subcommittee thereof, on behalf of any person or entity other than the Federal Government.

(b) WRITTEN DISCLOSURE.—The written statement of the proposed testimony of a non-Federal witness should, to the maximum extent practicable, disclose—

(1) any foreign government award relating to the subject matter of the hearing that was received or earned during the covered period by the non-Federal witness or the person or entity on behalf of which the non-Federal witness is appearing;

(2) whether the non-Federal witness or the person or entity on behalf of which the non-Federal witness is appearing is negotiating or awaiting approval to receive a foreign government award; and

(3) whether the non-Federal witness is registered as an agent of a foreign principal under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 611 et seq.).

(c) CONTENTS.—A disclosure by a non-Federal witness under subsection (b) should include, for each foreign government award, the amount of and identity of the foreign government making the foreign government award.

(d) AVAILABILITY.—A written statement of the proposed testimony of a non-Federal witness, with appropriate redactions to protect the privacy or security of the non-Federal witness, shall be made publicly available in electronic form not later than 1 day after the witness appears at the applicable hearing.

SA 1764. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DATA STRATEGY.

(a) STRATEGY AND BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than January 31, 2022, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall, in consultation with the Director of the Defense Information Systems Agency—

(1) develop a strategy that includes the elements set forth under subsection (b); and

(2) brief the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives on the strategy developed under paragraph (1).

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A plan for incorporating standards laid out by the 2020 Department of Defense Data Strategy in policies governing personnel and acquisition of goods and services.

(2) A plan for how the Department will incorporate technology solutions necessary to ensure data security is independent from network security, including technology that allows for attribution and location based controls.

(3) A detailed set of criteria for determining authorized users of data and how technological solutions could enhance policies focused on data protection that is tailored to authorized users.

(4) A description of how security and data classification standards could be harmonized across elements of the Department and the intelligence community (as defined in section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)) to ensure more seamless information sharing, that includes an analysis of network or data security solutions that could help automate that process and implement classification policies and procedures.

SA 1765. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title III of division F, insert the following:

SEC. 63___. STUDY ON NATIONAL LABORATORY CONSORTIUM FOR ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECT OF SMALL MODULAR REACTORS ON POWER GRID STABILITY AND RESILIENCE.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) DEPARTMENT.—The term ''Department'' means the Department of Energy.

(2) NATIONAL LABORATORY.—The term ''National Laboratory'' has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801).

(3) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Energy.

(b) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary, in coordination with the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall conduct a study to analyze the feasibility of authorizing a consortium within the National Laboratory system to address the effects of advanced nuclear technology in the form of small modular reactors on the stability and resiliency of the United States power grid.

(c) ELEMENTS.—The study required under subsection (b) shall include the following:

(1) An analysis of any additional authorities needed to establish a research and development program to leverage the expertise of the National Laboratories to accelerate the development and deployment of advanced tools and techniques to simulate the stability and resilience of the power grid to adverse natural and man-made threats.

(2) An evaluation of potential pilot programs involving research, innovation transfer, academic partnerships, and industry partnerships for power grid simulation research.

(3) The use of existing Department programs and projects, including—

(A) the North American Energy Resilience Model;

(B) the nuclear reactor computer models developed by the Department; and

(C) the supercomputing centers of the Department.

(4) An assessment of, and cost estimates for, near-term actions necessary for the proposed consortium to launch expediently at a broad scale.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Energy and Natural Resources and Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Homeland Security of the House of Representatives a report on the results of the study conducted under subsection (b), which may include a classified annex, if necessary.

SA 1766. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In title V of division B, at the end add the following:

SEC. 25___. ACTION TO PREVENT PARAMILITARY ACTORS FROM PARTICIPATING IN INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretaries of Defense, Commerce, Treasury, and Homeland Security shall promulgate and implement regulations to—

(1) coordinate in identifying foreign fishing vessels that engage in paramilitary operations; and

(2) report such vessels to each international fisheries management organization in which the United States is a member for inclusion in each such organization's respective Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing vessel list.

(b) DEFINITION OF PARAMILITARY OPERATIONS.—In this section, the term ''paramilitary operations''—

(1) means actions taken by the operator of a fishing vessel to attack or intimidate vessels operating in international waters, or the exclusive economic zone of a foreign country, by firing upon a vessel, ramming a vessel, intentionally maneuvering near another vessel in an unsafe manner with intent to frighten or intimidate, intentionally entering or remaining within the exclusive economic zone of a foreign country without the permission of the government of that country, or otherwise violating the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea while coordinating with the military of a foreign country in a military operation; and

(2) includes efforts to gather and report military intelligence on behalf of a foreign country.

SA 1767. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. FEDERAL ACQUISITION AND CONTRACTING TRANSPARENCY.

(a) REQUIREMENT TO DISCLOSE CONTRACTS AND TIES WITH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ENTITIES.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council shall amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation to require that a contractor shall, as a condition for being awarded a contract for the procurement of goods or services, disclose covered information related to any contracts or other relevant commercial ties the contractor, first tier subcontractor, or any related entity has that are in effect at the time of contract award, or has had within the previous three years that are no longer in effect, with a covered entity. The contractor shall update such disclosure not later than 30 days after the contractor, first tier subcontractor, or any related entity enters into or renews a contract or other relevant commercial ties with a covered entity.

(b) DATABASE OF FEDERAL CONTRACTOR CONTRACTS WITH CHINESE ENTITIES.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of General Services shall establish and maintain a public database containing the information about contracts with covered entities disclosed pursuant to subsection (a).

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED ENTITY.—The term ''covered entity'' means—

(A) the Government of the People's Republic of China;

(B) the Chinese Communist Party (CCP);

(C) the Chinese military;

(D) an entity owned, directed, controlled, financed, or influenced directly or indirectly by the Government of the People's Republic of China, the CCP, or the Chinese military, including any entity for which the Government of the People's Republic of China, the CCP, or the Chinese military has the ability, through ownership of a majority or a dominant minority of the total outstanding voting interest in an entity, board representation, proxy voting, a special share, contractual arrangements, formal or informal arrangements to act in concert, or other means, to determine, direct, or decide for an entity an important matter;

(E) a parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of an entity described in subparagraph (D); and

(F) an entity substantively involved in People's Republic of China economic and industrial policies or military-civil fusion, including by accepting funding, performing services, or receiving subsidies, or with responsibilities for overseeing economic development projects, including Made in China 2025 and the Belt and Road Initiative.

(2) COVERED INFORMATION.—The term ''covered information'' means—

(A) the name of the covered entity;

(B) the relationship of the covered entity to the Government of the People's Republic of China, the Chinese Communist Party, or the Chinese military;

(C) the general terms of the contract;

(D) the date the contract was entered into; and

(E) the duration of the contract.

(3) RELATED ENTITY.—The term ''related entity'' means, with respect to a contractor or first tier subcontractor, a parent, subsidiary, affiliate, or other entity controlled by the contractor or first tier subcontractor.

SA 1768. Ms. ROSEN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. UNITED STATES-ISRAEL CYBERSECURITY COOPERATION.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term ''cybersecurity research'' means research, including social science research, into ways to identify, protect against, detect, respond to, and recover from cybersecurity threats;

(2) the term ''cybersecurity technology'' means technology intended to identify, protect against, detect, respond to, and recover from cybersecurity threats;

(3) the term ''cybersecurity threat'' has the meaning given the term in section 102 of the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1501);

(4) the term ''Department'' means the Department of Homeland Security;

(5) the term ''National Laboratory'' has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801); and

(6) the term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Homeland Security.

(b) GRANT PROGRAM.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary, in accordance with the agreement entitled the ''Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the State of Israel on Cooperation in Science and Technology for Homeland Security Matters'', dated May 29, 2008 (or successor agreement), and the requirements specified in paragraph (2), shall establish a grant program at the Department to support—

(A) cybersecurity research and development; and

(B) demonstration and commercialization of cybersecurity technology.

(2) REQUIREMENTS.—

(A) APPLICABILITY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in carrying out a research, development, demonstration, or commercial application program or activity that is authorized under this section, the Secretary shall require cost sharing in accordance with this paragraph.

(B) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), the Secretary shall require not less than 50 percent of the cost of a research, development, demonstration, or commercial application program or activity described in subparagraph (A) to be provided by a non-Federal source.

(ii) REDUCTION.—The Secretary may reduce or eliminate, on a case-by-case basis, the percentage requirement specified in clause (i) if the Secretary determines that the reduction or elimination is necessary and appropriate.

(C) MERIT REVIEW.—In carrying out a research, development, demonstration, or commercial application program or activity that is authorized under this section, awards shall be made only after an impartial review of the scientific and technical merit of the proposals for the awards has been carried out by or for the Department.

(D) REVIEW PROCESSES.—In carrying out a review under subparagraph (C), the Secretary may use merit review processes developed under section 302(14) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 182(14)).

(3) ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS.—An applicant shall be eligible to receive a grant under this subsection if—

(A) the project of the applicant—

(i) addresses a requirement in the area of cybersecurity research or cybersecurity technology, as determined by the Secretary; and

(ii) is a joint venture between—

(I)(aa) a for-profit business entity, academic institution, National Laboratory, or nonprofit entity in the United States; and

(bb) a for-profit business entity, academic institution, or nonprofit entity in Israel; or

(II)(aa) the Federal Government; and

(bb) the Government of Israel; and

(B) neither the applicant nor the project of the applicant pose a counterintelligence threat, as determined by the Director of National Intelligence.

(4) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a grant under this subsection, an applicant shall submit to the Secretary an application for the grant in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary, in consultation with the advisory board established under paragraph (5).

(5) ADVISORY BOARD.—

(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish an advisory board to—

(i) monitor the method by which grants are awarded under this subsection; and

(ii) provide to the Secretary periodic performance reviews of actions taken to carry out this subsection.

(B) COMPOSITION.—The advisory board established under subparagraph (A) shall be composed of 3 members, to be appointed by the Secretary, of whom—

(i) 1 shall be a representative of the Federal Government;

(ii) 1 shall be selected from a list of nominees provided by the United States-Israel Binational Science Foundation; and

(iii) 1 shall be selected from a list of nominees provided by the United States-Israel Binational Industrial Research and Development Foundation.

(6) CONTRIBUTED FUNDS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law—

(A) the Secretary may accept or retain funds contributed by any person, government entity, or organization for purposes of carrying out this subsection; and

(B) the funds described in subparagraph (A) shall be available, subject to appropriation, without fiscal year limitation.

(7) REPORTS.—

(A) GRANT RECIPIENTS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of completion of a project for which a grant is provided under this subsection, the grant recipient shall submit to the Secretary a report that contains—

(i) a description of how the grant funds were used by the recipient; and

(ii) an evaluation of the level of success of each project funded by the grant.

(B) SECRETARY.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until the grant program established under this section terminates, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives a report on the grants awarded and projects completed under the program.

(8) CLASSIFICATION.—Grants shall be awarded under this subsection only for projects that are considered to be unclassified by both the United States and Israel.

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section not less than $6,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026.

SA 1769. Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, add the following:

SEC. 2528. NATIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN DATABASE.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN DATABASE.—The Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (referred to in this Act as the ''NIST'') shall establish a National Supply Chain Database that will assist the Nation in minimizing disruptions in the supply chain by having an assessment of United States manufacturers' capabilities.

(b) CONNECTIONS WITH STATE MANUFACTURING EXTENSION PARTNERSHIPS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The infrastructure for the National Supply Chain Database shall be created through the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) program of the National Institute of Standards and Technology by connecting the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnerships Centers through the National Supply Chain Database.

(2) NATIONAL VIEW.—The connection provided through the National Supply Chain Database shall provide a national view of the supply chain and enable the National Institute of Standards and Technology to understand whether there is a need for some manufacturers to retool in some key areas to meet the need of urgent products, such as defense supplies, food, and medical devices, including personal protective equipment.

(3) INDIVIDUAL STATE DATABASES.—Each State's supply chain database maintained by the NIST- recognized Manufacturing Extension Partnership Center within the State shall be complementary in design to the National Supply Chain Database.

(c) MAINTENANCE OF NATIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN DATABASE.—The Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership program or its designee shall maintain the National Supply Chain Database as an integration of the State level databases from each State's Manufacturing Extension Partnership Center and may be populated with information from past, current, or potential Center clients.

(d) DATABASE CONTENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The National Supply Chain Database may—

(A) provide basic company information;

(B) provide an overview of capabilities, accreditations, and products;

(C) contain proprietary information; and

(D) include other items determined necessary by the Director of the NIST.

(2) SEARCHABLE DATABASE.—The National Supply Chain Database shall use the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes as follows:

(A) Sector 31-33—Manufacturing.

(B) Sector 54—Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services.

(C) Sector 48-49—Transportation and Warehousing.

(3) LEVELS.—The National Supply Chain Database shall be multi-leveled as follows:

(A) Level 1 shall have basic company information and shall be available to the public.

(B) Level 2 shall have a deeper overview into capabilities, products, and accreditations and shall be available to all companies that contribute to the database and agree to terms of mutual disclosure.

(C) Level 3 shall hold proprietary information.

(4) EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.—The National Supply Chain Database and any information related to it not publicly released by NIST shall be exempt from public disclosure under section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and access to non-public content shall be limited to the contributing company and Manufacturing Extension Partnership Center staff who sign an appropriate non-disclosure agreement.

(e) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

(1) PRIVATE ENTITIES.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any private entity to share data with the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology relating to the National Supply Chain Database.

(2) PROHIBITION ON NEW REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to grant the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, or the head of any other Federal agency, with any authority to promulgate regulations or set standards on manufacturers, based on data within the National Supply Chain Database, that was not in effect on the day before the date of enactment of this Act.

(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated—

(1) $31,000,000 for fiscal year 2021 to develop and launch the National Supply Chain Database; and

(2) $26,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2025 to maintain, update, and support Federal coordination of the State supply chain databases maintained by the State Manufacturing Extension Partnerships.

SA 1770. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. ERNST, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 188, strike lines 2 through 25 and insert the following:

(a) CRITICAL MINERALS MINING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In order to support supply chain resiliency, the Secretary of Energy, in coordination with the Director, shall issue awards, on a competitive basis, to National Laboratories (as defined in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801)), institutions of higher education, or nonprofit organizations (or consortia of such institutions or organizations, including consortia that collaborate with private industry) to support basic research that will accelerate innovation to advance critical minerals mining strategies and technologies for the purpose of making better use of domestic resources and eliminating national reliance on minerals and mineral materials that are subject to supply disruptions.

(2) USE OF FUNDS.—Activities funded by an award under this section may include—

(A) advancing mining research and development activities to develop new mapping and mining technologies and techniques, including advanced critical mineral extraction and production, to improve existing or to develop new supply chains of critical minerals, and to yield more efficient, economical, and environmentally benign mining practices;

(B) advancing critical mineral processing and geochemical

SA 1771. Mr. BRAUN (for himself, Mr. DAINES, and Mr. LANKFORD) submitted

an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN HUMAN-ANIMAL CHIMERAS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part I of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after chapter 51 the following:

"CHAPTER 52—CERTAIN TYPES OF HUMAN-ANIMAL CHIMERAS PROHIBITED

''Sec.
''1131. Definitions.
''1132. Prohibition on human-animal chimeras.

"§ 1131. Definitions

''In this chapter:

''(1) HUMAN EMBRYO.—The term 'human embryo' means an organism of the species Homo sapiens during the earliest stages of development, from 1 cell up to 8 weeks after conception.

''(2) PROHIBITED HUMAN-ANIMAL CHIMERA.—The term 'prohibited human-animal chimera' means—

''(A) a human embryo into which a nonhuman cell or cells (or the component parts thereof) have been introduced to render the embryo's membership in the species Homo sapiens uncertain;

''(B) a human-animal embryo produced by fertilizing a human egg with nonhuman sperm;

''(C) a human-animal embryo produced by fertilizing a nonhuman egg with human sperm;

''(D) an embryo produced by introducing a nonhuman nucleus into a human egg;

''(E) an embryo produced by introducing a human nucleus into a nonhuman egg;

''(F) an embryo containing at least haploid sets of chromosomes from both a human and a nonhuman life form;

''(G) a nonhuman life form engineered such that human gametes develop within the body of a nonhuman life form;

''(H) a nonhuman life form engineered such that it contains a human brain or a brain derived wholly or predominantly from human neural tissues;

''(I) nonhuman life form engineered such that it exhibits human facial features or other bodily morphologies to resemble human features; or

''(J) an embryo produced by mixing human and nonhuman cells, such that—

''(i) human gametes develop within the body of the resultant organism;

''(ii) it contains a human brain or a brain derived wholly or predominantly from human neural tissues; or

''(iii) it exhibits human facial features or other bodily morphologies to resemble human features.

"§ 1132. Prohibition on certain human-animal chimeras

''(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly, in or otherwise affecting interstate commerce—

''(1) create or attempt to create a prohibited human-animal chimera;

''(2) transfer or attempt to transfer a human embryo into a nonhuman womb;

''(3) transfer or attempt to transfer a nonhuman embryo into a human womb; or

''(4) transport or receive for any purpose a prohibited human-animal chimera.

''(b) PENALTIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Whoever violates subsection (a) shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more than 10 years, or both.

''(2) CIVIL PENALTY.—Whoever violates subsection (a) shall be subject to a civil fine of the greater of—

''(A) $1,000,000; or

''(B) the amount equal to twice the amount of the gross pecuniary gain, if any.

''(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—This section does not prohibit research involving the use of transgenic animal models containing human genes or transplantation of human organs, tissues, or cells into recipient animals, if such activities are not prohibited under subsection (a).''.

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for part I of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to chapter 51 the following:

"52. Certain types of human-animal chimeras prohibited 1131.".

SA 1772. Mr. LANKFORD (for himself and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW PROCEDURES FOR WAIVER OF OBLIGATIONS WITH RESPECT TO VACCINES OR OTHER BIOTECHNOLOGY COMMODITIES UNDER THE AGREEMENT ON TRADE-RELATED ASPECTS OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS.

Section 122 of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3532) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(e) APPROVAL BY CONGRESS OF CERTAIN WAIVERS WITH RESPECT TO VACCINES OR OTHER BIOTECHNOLOGY COMMODITIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—A waiver described in paragraph (2) granted under subsection (b)(2) shall not enter into force with respect to the United States, and no funds shall be used by the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Trade Representative to implement the terms of that waiver, unless—

''(A) the President submits the text of the proposed waiver agreement to the appropriate congressional committees; and

''(B) a joint resolution is enacted approving the waiver not later than 180 days after the later of the date on which—

''(i) the report under subsection (c)(2)(A) with respect to that waiver is submitted; or

''(ii) the text of the proposed waiver agreement under subparagraph (A) is submitted.

''(2) WAIVER DESCRIBED.—A waiver described in this paragraph is a waiver of certain provisions of the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights referred to in section 101(d)(15) for a vaccine or other biotechnology commodity.

''(3) INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL OF JOINT RESOLUTION.—A joint resolution under paragraph (1)(B) may be introduced by any member of Congress and shall be referred—

''(A) in the Senate, to the Committee on Finance; and

''(B) in the House of Representatives, to the Committee on Ways and Means.''.

SA 1773. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. PROCESS FOR EXCLUDING ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA FROM CERTAIN DUTIES IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 301 OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF EXCLUSION PROCESS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President shall establish, in consultation with the United States International Trade Commission (in this section referred to as the ''Commission''), a process pursuant to which United States entities and associations of such entities may request the exclusion of articles imported from the People's Republic of China from duties described in subsection (b).

(b) DUTIES DESCRIBED.—The duties described in this subsection are duties imposed on or after September 24, 2018, pursuant to the investigation—

(1) initiated under section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2411) on August 18, 2017; and

(2) with respect to which notice was published in the Federal Register on August 24, 2017 (82 Fed. Reg. 40213).

(c) IMPLEMENTATION OF EXCLUSION PROCESS.—In implementing the process established under subsection (a), the President shall exclude from the imposition of a duty described in subsection (b) an article imported from the People's Republic of China if the President determines—

(1)(A) the article is not commercially available (as defined by the Commission) outside of the People's Republic of China, or is not produced outside of the People's Republic of China at a cost-competitive price at commercial scale;

(B) the imposition of the duty on the article would increase consumer prices for day-to-day items consumed by low- or middle-income families in the United States; or

(C) the article has not been found by a Federal agency to have directly benefited from the non-market-based policies of the People's Republic of China, including elements of the Made in China 2025 policy; and

(2) the exclusion of the article can likely be administered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

(d) DETERMINATION OF INCREASED CONSUMER PRICES.—The President shall determine under subsection (c)(1)(B) that the imposition of a duty would increase consumer prices for day-to-day items consumed by low- or middle-income families in the United States if imposition of the duty would cause an increase in—

(1) the cost of an article listed in Appendix 1 to chapter 17 of the Handbook of Methods of the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor, dated February 14, 2018; or

(2) the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

(e) COLLECTION OF DUTIES.—No duty described in subsection (b) imposed on an article imported into the United States from the People's Republic of China on or after the date of the enactment of this Act shall be collected on an article until the President has established the exclusion process required by subsection (a).

(f) RETROACTIVE APPLICATION FOR CERTAIN LIQUIDATIONS AND RELIQUIDATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 514 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1514) or any other provision of law, any entry of an article imported from the People's Republic of China that would have been subject to a lower rate of duty if the entry had been made after the issuance of an exclusion of the article from the imposition of a duty described in subsection (b) pursuant to the exclusion process established under subsection (a), that was made—

(A) after the imposition of the duty described in subsection (b) with respect to that article; and

(B) before the issuance of the exclusion,

shall be liquidated or reliquidated as though the entry occurred after the issuance of the exclusion.

(2) REQUESTS.—A liquidation or reliquidation may be made under paragraph (1) with respect to an entry of an article only if a request therefor is filed with U.S. Customs and Border Protection not later than 180 days after the issuance of an exclusion described in paragraph (1) with respect to that article that contains sufficient information to enable U.S. Customs and Border Protection—

(A) to locate the entry; or

(B) to reconstruct the entry if it cannot be located.

(3) PAYMENTS OF AMOUNTS OWED.—Any amounts owed by the United States pursuant to the liquidation or reliquidation of an entry of an article under paragraph (1) shall be paid, without interest, not later than 90 days after the date of the liquidation or reliquidation (as the case may be).

(g) EXCLUSION PROCESS ESTABLISHED BY USTR.—If the United States Trade Representative establishes an exclusion process as described under the heading ''SALARIES AND EXPENSES'' under the heading ''OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE'' in title IV of division C of the joint explanatory statement of the committee of conference accompanying the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 (Public Law 116–6), the Trade Representative shall establish that process in accordance with this section.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ENTRY.—The term ''entry'' includes a withdrawal from warehouse for consumption.

(2) UNITED STATES ENTITY.—The term ''United States entity'' means an entity organized under the laws of the United States or any jurisdiction within the United States.

SA 1774. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title I of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3117. SENSE OF CONGRESS AND REPORT ON ENSURING RELIABLE SUPPLY OF RARE EARTH MINERALS.

(a) FINDINGS; SENSE OF CONGRESS.—

(1) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(A) The People's Republic of China is the global leader in mining, refining, and component manufacturing of rare earth elements, producing approximately 85 percent of the world's supply between 2011 and 2017.

(B) In 2019, the United States imported an estimated 80 percent of its rare earth compounds from the People's Republic of China.

(C) On March 26, 2014, the World Trade Organization ruled that the People's Republic of China's export restraints on rare earth minerals violated its obligations under its protocol of accession to the World Trade Organization, thereby harming United States manufacturers and workers.

(D) The Chinese Communist Party has threatened to leverage the People's Republic of China's dominant position in the rare earth market to ''strike back'' at the United States.

(E) The Quadrilateral Security Dialogue is an effective partnership for reliable multilateral financing, development, and distribution of goods for global consumption, as evidenced by the Quad Vaccine Partnership announced on March 12, 2021.

(2) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(A) the People's Republic of China's dominant share of the global rare earth mining market is a threat to the economic stability, well being, and competitiveness of key industries in the United States;

(B) the United States should reduce reliance on the People's Republic of China for rare earth minerals through—

(i) strategic investments in development projects, production technologies, and refining facilities in the United States; or

(ii) in partnership with strategic allies of the United States that are reliable trading partners, including members of the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue; and

(C) the United States Trade Representative should initiate multilateral talks among the countries of the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue to promote shared investment and development of rare earth minerals.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the United States Trade Representative, in consultation with the officials specified in paragraph (3), shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the work of the Trade Representative to address the national security threat posed by the People's Republic of China's control of nearly ⅔ of the global supply of rare earth minerals.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a description of the extent of the engagement of the United States with the other countries of the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue to promote shared investment and development of rare earth minerals during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on the date of the report; and

(B) a description of the plans of the President to leverage the partnership of the countries of the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue to produce a more reliable and secure global supply chain of rare earth minerals.

(3) OFFICIALS SPECIFIED.—The officials specified in this paragraph are the following:

(A) The Secretary of State.

(B) the Secretary of Commerce.

(C) The Chief Executive Officer of the United States International Development Finance Corporation.

(4) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(A) the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives.

SA 1775. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 2107(c), add the following: ''The Director shall require not less than 20 percent of the cost of a research and development activity described in subsection (a) to be provided by a non-Federal source.''.

SA 1776. Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Mr. KING, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 63___. LOAN GUARANTEES FOR PROJECTS THAT INCREASE THE DOMESTIC SUPPLY OF CRITICAL MINERALS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1703(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16513(b)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(13) Projects that increase the domestic supply of critical minerals (as defined in section 7002(a) of the Energy Act of 2020 (30 U.S.C. 1606(a)), including through the production, processing, and recycling of critical minerals and the fabrication of mineral alternatives.''.

(b) PROHIBITION ON USE OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS.—Amounts appropriated to the Department of Energy before the date of enactment of this Act shall not be made available for the cost of loan guarantees made under paragraph (13) of section 1703(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16513(b)).

SA 1777. Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a

strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 818, beginning on line 16, strike ''(b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this paragraph'' and insert the following:

(b) REPRESENTATIVE TITLE FOR DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN INSTITUTE IN TAIWAN'S TAIPEI OFFICE.—The position of Director of the American Institute in Taiwan's Taipei office shall have the title of Representative.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section

SA 1778. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title II of division E, add the following:

Subtitle C—South China Sea and East China Sea Sanctions Act

SEC. 5221. SHORT TITLE.

This subtitle may be cited as the ''South China Sea and East China Sea Sanctions Act of 2021''.

SEC. 5222. SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO CHINESE PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR CHINA'S ACTIVITIES IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA AND THE EAST CHINA SEA.

(a) INITIAL IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—On and after the date that is 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President may impose the sanctions described in subsection (b) with respect to any Chinese person that the President determines—

(1) is responsible for or significantly contributes to large-scale reclamation, construction, militarization, or ongoing supply of disputed outposts in the South China Sea;

(2) is responsible for or significantly contributes to, or has engaged in, directly or indirectly, actions or policies using coercion to inhibit another country from protecting its sovereign rights to access offshore resources in the South China Sea, including in such country's exclusive economic zone, consistent with such country's rights and obligations under international law;

(3) is responsible for or complicit in, or has engaged in, directly or indirectly, actions or policies that significantly threaten the peace, security, or stability of disputed areas of the South China Sea or areas of the East China Sea administered by Japan or the Republic of Korea, including through the use of vessels and aircraft by the People's Republic of China to occupy or conduct extensive research or drilling activity in those areas;

(4) has materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services to, or in support of, any person subject to sanctions pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), or (3); or

(5) is owned or controlled by, or has acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person subject to sanctions pursuant to paragraph (1), (2), or (3).

(b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions that may be imposed with respect to a person described in subsection (a) are the following:

(1) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—The President may, in accordance with the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), block and prohibit all transactions in all property and interests in property of the person if such property and interests in property are in the United States, come within the United States, or are or come within the possession or control of a United States person.

(2) INELIGIBILITY FOR VISAS, ADMISSION, OR PAROLE.—

(A) VISAS, ADMISSION, OR PAROLE.—In the case of an alien, the alien may be—

(i) inadmissible to the United States;

(ii) ineligible to receive a visa or other documentation to enter the United States; and

(iii) otherwise ineligible to be admitted or paroled into the United States or to receive any other benefit under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.).

(B) CURRENT VISAS REVOKED.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—An alien described in subparagraph (A) may be subject to revocation of any visa or other entry documentation regardless of when the visa or other entry documentation is or was issued.

(ii) IMMEDIATE EFFECT.—A revocation under clause (i) may—

(I) take effect immediately; and

(II) cancel any other valid visa or entry documentation that is in the alien's possession.

(3) EXCLUSION OF CORPORATE OFFICERS.—The President may direct the Secretary of State to deny a visa to, and the Secretary of Homeland Security to exclude from the United States, any alien that the President determines is a corporate officer or principal of, or a shareholder with a controlling interest in, the person.

(4) EXPORT SANCTION.—The President may order the United States Government not to issue any specific license and not to grant any other specific permission or authority to export any goods or technology to the person under—

(A) the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4801 et seq.); or

(B) any other statute that requires the prior review and approval of the United States Government as a condition for the export or reexport of goods or services.

(5) INCLUSION ON ENTITY LIST.—The President may include the entity on the entity list maintained by the Bureau of Industry and Security of the Department of Commerce and set forth in Supplement No. 4 to part 744 of the Export Administration Regulations, for activities contrary to the national security or foreign policy interests of the United States.

(6) BAN ON INVESTMENT IN EQUITY OR DEBT OF SANCTIONED PERSON.—The President may, pursuant to such regulations or guidelines as the President may prescribe, prohibit any United States person from investing in or purchasing significant amounts of equity or debt instruments of the person.

(7) BANKING TRANSACTIONS.—The President may, pursuant to such regulations as the President may prescribe, prohibit any transfers of credit or payments between financial institutions or by, through, or to any financial institution, to the extent that such transfers or payments are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and involve any interest of the person.

(8) CORRESPONDENT AND PAYABLE-THROUGH ACCOUNTS.—In the case of a foreign financial institution, the President may prohibit the opening, and prohibit or impose strict conditions on the maintaining, in the United States of a correspondent account or a payable-through account by the foreign financial institution.

(c) EXCEPTIONS.—

(1) INAPPLICABILITY OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY REQUIREMENT.—The requirements of section 202 of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701) shall not apply for purposes of subsection (b)(1).

(2) COMPLIANCE WITH UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT.—Paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (b) shall not apply if admission of an alien to the United States is necessary to permit the United States to comply with the Agreement regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations, signed at Lake Success, June 26, 1947, and entered into force, November 21, 1947, between the United Nations and the United States.

(3) EXCEPTION RELATING TO IMPORTATION OF GOODS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The authority or a requirement to impose sanctions under this section shall not include the authority or a requirement to impose sanctions on the importation of goods.

(B) GOOD DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the term ''good'' means any article, natural or manmade substance, material, supply, or manufactured product, including inspection and test equipment, and excluding technical data.

(d) PENALTIES.—The penalties provided for in subsections (b) and (c) of section 206 of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1705) shall apply to a person that violates, attempts to violate, conspires to violate, or causes a violation of regulations prescribed under subsection (b)(1) to the same extent that such penalties apply to a person that commits an unlawful act described in subsection (a) of such section 206.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ACCOUNT; CORRESPONDENT ACCOUNT; PAYABLE-THROUGH ACCOUNT.—The terms ''account'', ''correspondent account'', and ''payable-through account'' have the meanings given those terms in section 5318A of title 31, United States Code.

(2) ALIEN.—The term ''alien'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)).

(3) CHINESE PERSON.—The term ''Chinese person'' means—

(A) an individual who is a citizen or national of the People's Republic of China; or

(B) an entity organized under the laws of the People's Republic of China or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the Government of the People's Republic of China.

(4) FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—The term ''financial institution'' means a financial institution specified in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), (H), (I), (J), (K), (M), (N), (P), (R), (T), (Y), or (Z) of section 5312(a)(2) of title 31, United States Code.

(5) FOREIGN FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—The term ''foreign financial institution'' has the meaning given that term in section 1010.605 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations (or any corresponding similar regulation or ruling).

(6) PERSON.—The term ''person'' means any individual or entity.

(7) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term ''United States person'' means—

(A) a United States citizen or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence to the United States; or

(B) an entity organized under the laws of the United States or of any jurisdiction within the United States, including a foreign branch of such an entity.

SEC. 5223. PROHIBITION AGAINST DOCUMENTS PORTRAYING THE SOUTH CHINA SEA OR THE EAST CHINA SEA AS PART OF CHINA.

The Government Publishing Office may not publish any map, document, record, electronic resource, or other paper of the United States (other than materials relating to hearings held by committees of Congress or internal work product of a Federal agency) portraying or otherwise indicating that it is the position of the United States that the territory or airspace in the South China Sea that is disputed among two or more parties or the territory or airspace of areas administered by Japan or the Republic of Korea, including in the East China Sea, is part of the territory or airspace of the People's Republic of China.

SEC. 5224. AUTHORIZATION TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN ASSISTANCE TO COUNTRIES THAT RECOGNIZE CHINESE SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE SOUTH CHINA SEA OR THE EAST CHINA SEA.

(a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided by subsection (c) or (d), no amounts may be obligated or expended to provide foreign assistance to the government of any country identified in a report required by subsection (b).

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until the date that is 3 years after such date of enactment, the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report identifying each country that the Secretary determines has taken an official and stated position to recognize, after such date of enactment, the sovereignty of the People's Republic of China over territory or airspace disputed by one or more countries in the South China Sea or the territory or airspace of areas of the East China Sea administered by Japan or the Republic of Korea.

(2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex if the Secretary of State determines it is necessary for the national security interests of the United States to do so.

(3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary of State shall publish the unclassified part of the report required by paragraph (1) on a publicly available website of the Department of State.

(c) EXCEPTION.—This section shall not apply with respect to Taiwan, counterterrorism activities, counternarcotics activities, global health assistance, humanitarian assistance, disaster assistance, or emergency food assistance.

(d) WAIVER.—The President may waive the application of subsection (a) with respect to the government of a country if the President determines that the waiver is in the national interests of the United States.

(e) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Financial Services, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

SA 1779. Mr. MORAN (for himself and Ms. BALDWIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. REGIONAL INNOVATION CLUSTERS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term ''Administrator'' means the Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

(2) AWARD.—The term ''award'' means a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement.

(3) CLUSTER INITIATIVE.—The term ''Cluster Initiative'' means a formally organized effort to promote the growth and competitiveness of an industry sector through collaborative activities among Industry Cluster participants that is led by—

(A) a State;

(B) an Indian Tribe;

(C) a city or other political subdivision of a State;

(D) a nonprofit organization, including an institution of higher education or a venture development organization; or

(E) a small business concern.

(4) INDUSTRY CLUSTER.—The term ''Industry Cluster'' means a geographic concentration, relative to the size of the region under consideration, of interconnected businesses, suppliers, service providers, and associated institutions in an industry sector, including advanced manufacturing, precision agriculture, cybersecurity, biosciences, water technologies, energy production and efficiency, and outdoor recreation.

(5) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term ''Indian Tribe'' has the meaning given the term ''Indian tribe'' in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).

(6) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term ''institution of higher education'' has the meaning given the term in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

(7) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN.—The term ''small business concern'' has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

(8) STATE.—The term ''State'' means each of the several States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, or any other territory or possession of the United States.

(b) SUPPORTING INDUSTRY CLUSTERS.—

(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Administrator shall enter into contracts with Cluster Initiatives that strengthen Industry Clusters in accordance with the requirements under this subsection.

(2) INDUSTRY CLUSTER OUTCOMES.—Cluster Initiatives shall be assessed according to their performance along the following metrics:

(A) Growth in number of small business concerns participating in the Industry Cluster and support industries.

(B) Growth in number of small business concern startups in the Industry Cluster.

(C) Growth in total capital, including revenue and equity investments, flowing to small business concern participants in the Industry Cluster.

(D) Growth in job creation by small business concerns or, in regions with declining total employment, job retention by small business concerns in the Industry Cluster.

(E) Growth in new products, services, or business lines.

(F) Growth in new technologies developed within the Industry Cluster.

(3) REPORTING.—The Administrator shall require Cluster Initiatives to submit annual reports documenting the outcomes in paragraph (2) and the activities contributing to those outcomes.

(4) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In entering into contracts with Cluster Initiatives under this subsection, the Administrator shall consider—

(A) the probable impact of the Cluster Initiative on the competitiveness of the Industry Cluster, including—

(i) whether the Cluster Initiative will be inclusive of any and all organizations that might benefit from participation, including startups, small business concerns not locally owned, and small business concerns rival to existing members of the Industry Cluster; and

(ii) whether the Cluster Initiative will encourage broad participation by and collaboration among all types of participants;

(B) if the proposed Cluster Initiative fits within a broader and achievable economic development strategy;

(C) the capacity and commitment of the sponsoring organization of the Cluster Initiative organization, including—

(i) the expected ability of the Cluster Initiative to access additional funds from other sources; and

(ii) the capacity of the Cluster Initiative to sustain activities once grant funds have been expended;

(D) the degree of involvement from relevant State and regional economic and workforce development organizations, other public purpose institutions (such as universities, community colleges, venture development organizations, and workforce boards), and the private sector, including industry associations; and

(E) the extent to which economic diversity across regions of the United States would be increased through the contract.

(5) INITIAL AWARD.—The Administrator may enter into a 1-year award not to exceed $1,000,000 with each Cluster Initiative.

(6) RENEWAL.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator may renew an award entered into with a Cluster Initiative under paragraph (5)—

(i) for 1 year in an amount not to exceed $750,000 per year; and

(ii) for a total period not to exceed 5 years.

(B) REQUIREMENT.—A Cluster Initiative shall compete in a new funding opportunity to receive any further awards under this subsection.

(7) CLUSTER INITIATIVE RESOURCES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator may not enter into a contract under this subsection that would provide more than two-thirds of the revenue of the entity receiving the award.

(B) EXCEPTION.—The Administrator may make an award providing a higher percentage of the revenue of the entity receiving the award if the recipient adequately demonstrates that the Cluster Initiative will be able to access additional funding, such as through the revenues of subcontractors or through a commitment of matching funds provided from regional partners.

(8) COMPETITIVE PROCESS.—The Administrator shall enter into new awards under this subsection for each year that appropriations are available.

(c) FEASIBILITY STUDY GRANTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator may award grants for feasibility studies, planning, and operations to support the launch of new Cluster Initiatives.

(2) AMOUNT.—The total amount of grants awarded under paragraph (1) shall not exceed $250,000.

(3) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—The Administrator may provide grants under paragraph (1) to—

(A) a State;

(B) an Indian Tribe;

(C) a city or other political subdivision of a State; or

(D) a nonprofit organization, including an institution of higher education or a venture development organization.

(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated $50,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and each subsequent fiscal year to carry out this section.

SA 1780. Mr. TUBERVILLE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. PROHIBITING TSP INVESTMENT IN CHINA.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) The Thrift Savings Fund invests more than $700,000,000,000 on behalf of plan participants. As the guardian of the retirement funds of approximately 6,000,000 Federal civilian and military plan participants, it is critical that sums in the Thrift Savings Fund are not invested in securities linked to the economy of the People's Republic of China.

(2) Companies headquartered in the People's Republic of China have repeatedly committed corporate espionage, violated sanctions imposed by the United States, flouted international property laws, committed theft, and failed to comply with audit and regulatory standards designed to safeguard investors.

(3) The Thrift Savings Plan is known for its low management fees and comprehensive array of investment strategies. The provisions of this section, and the amendments made by this section, will not increase fees imposed on participants of the Thrift Savings Plan.

(4) The November 2017 selection of the MSCI ACWI Index by the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, initially scheduled to be effective in 2020, would violate the terms of subsection (i) of section 8438 of title 5, United States Code, as added by subsection (b)(1) of this section.

(b) PROHIBITION ON ANY TSP FUND INVESTING IN ENTITIES ORGANIZED OR ESTABLISHED IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 8438 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, no fund established or overseen by the Board may include an investment in any security of—

''(1) an entity organized or established in the People's Republic of China; or

''(2) any subsidiary that is owned or operated by an entity described in paragraph (1).''.

(2) DIVESTITURE OF ASSETS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board established under section 8472(a) of title 5, United States Code, shall—

(A) review whether any sums in the Thrift Savings Fund are invested in violation of subsection (i) of section 8438 of that title, as added by paragraph (1) of this subsection;

(B) if any sums are invested in the manner described in subparagraph (A), divest those sums in a manner that is consistent with the legal and fiduciary duties provided under chapter 84 of that title, or any other applicable provision of law; and

(C) reinvest any sums divested under subparagraph (B) in investments that do not violate subsection (i) of section 8438 of that title, as added by paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(c) PROHIBITION ON INVESTMENT OF TSP FUNDS IN ENTITIES ORGANIZED OR ESTABLISHED IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA THROUGH THE TSP MUTUAL FUND WINDOW.—Section 8438(b)(5) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(E) A mutual fund accessible through a mutual fund window authorized under this paragraph may not include an investment in any security of—

''(i) an entity organized or established in the People's Republic of China; or

''(ii) any subsidiary that is owned or operated by an entity described in clause (i).''.

SA 1781. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. REQUIREMENT FOR AN AUTHORIZATION FOR THE USE OF MILITARY FORCE.

Notwithstanding the War Powers Resolution (Public Law 93–148; 50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.), the Authorization for Use of Military Force (Public Law 107–40; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), any other provision of law, and any obligations under the Japanese Treaty, the Philippines Treaty, the U.S. Australia New Zealand Agreement, the Republic of Korea Treaty, or the Southeast Asia Treaty, the President may not introduce members of the Armed Forces into hostilities in or involving the People's Republic of China unless—

(1) such action is necessary, for a period of no longer than 30 days, to repel a sudden attack, or the concrete, specific, and immediate threat of such a sudden attack, upon the United States, its territories, or possessions, its armed forces, or other United States citizens overseas; or

(1) Congress has enacted an authorization for the use of military force.

SA 1782. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 3313 and insert the following:

SEC. 3313. MODIFICATIONS TO AND REAUTHORIZATION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 1262 of the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act (Subtitle F of title XII of Public Law 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 2656 note) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

''(2) IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER.—The term 'immediate family member', with respect to a foreign person, means the spouse, parent, sibling, or adult child of the person.''.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—The Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act (Subtitle F of title XII of Public Law 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 2656 note) is amended by inserting after section 1262 the following new section:

''SEC. 1262A. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

''It is the sense of Congress that the President should establish and regularize information sharing and sanctions-related decision making with like-minded governments possessing human rights and anti-corruption sanctions programs similar in nature to those authorized under this subtitle.''.

(c) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 1263 of the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act (Subtitle F of title XII of Public Law 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 2656 note) is amended to read as follows:

''(a) IN GENERAL.—The President may impose the sanctions described in subsection (b) with respect to—

''(1) any foreign person that the President determines, based on credible information—

''(A) is responsible for or complicit in, or has directly or indirectly engaged in, serious human rights abuse or any violation of internationally recognized human rights;

''(B) is a current or former government official, or a person acting for or on behalf of such an official, who is responsible for or complicit in, or has directly or indirectly engaged in—

''(i) corruption, including—

''(I) the misappropriation of state assets;

''(II) the expropriation of private assets for personal gain;

''(III) corruption related to government contracts or the extraction of natural resources; or

''(IV) bribery; or

''(ii) the transfer or facilitation of the transfer of the proceeds of corruption;

''(C) is or has been a leader or official of—

''(i) an entity, including a government entity, that has engaged in, or whose members have engaged in, any of the activities described in subparagraph (A) or (B) during the tenure of the leader or official; or

''(ii) an entity whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this section as a result of activities during the tenure of the leader or official;

''(D) has materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services to or in support of—

''(i) an activity described in subparagraph (A) or (B) that is conducted by a foreign person;

''(ii) a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this section; or

''(iii) an entity, including a government entity, that has engaged in, or whose members have engaged in, an activity described

in subparagraph (A) or (B) conducted by a foreign person; or

''(E) is owned or controlled by, or acts or is purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this section; and

''(2) any immediate family member of a person described in paragraph (1).''.

(2) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—Clause (ii) of subsection (b)(2)(C) of such section is amended to read as follows:

''(ii) GOOD.—In this subparagraph, the term 'good' means any article, natural or man-made substance, material, supply, or manufactured product, including inspection and test equipment, and excluding technical data.''.

(3) CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION.—Subsection (c)(2) of such section is amended by inserting ''corruption and'' after ''monitor''.

(4) REQUESTS BY CONGRESS.—Subsection (d) of such section is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''subsection (a)'' and inserting ''subsection (a)(1)''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (B)(i), by inserting ''or an immediate family member of the person''; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) in the subparagraph heading, by striking ''HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS'' and inserting ''SERIOUS HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSE OR VIOLATIONS OF INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED HUMAN RIGHTS''; and

(II) by striking ''described in paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (a)'' and inserting ''described in subsection (a)(1) relating to serious human rights abuse or any violation of internationally recognized human rights''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (B)—

(I) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking ''described in paragraph (3) or (4) of subsection (a)'' and inserting ''described in subsection (a)(1) relating to corruption or the transfer or facilitation of the transfer of the proceeds of corruption''; and

(II) by striking ''ranking member of'' and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting ''ranking member of one of the appropriate congressional committees''.

(5) TERMINATION OF SANCTIONS.—Subsection (g) of such section is amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by inserting ''and the immediate family members of that person'' after ''a person''.

(d) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—Section 1264(a) of the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act (Subtitle F of title XII of Public Law 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 2656 note) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (5), by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon;

(2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

''(7) A description of additional steps taken by the President through diplomacy and assistance to foreign or security sectors to address persistent underlying causes of serious human rights abuse, violations of internationally recognized human rights, and corruption in each country in which foreign persons with respect to which sanctions have been imposed under section 1263 are located.''.

(e) REPEAL OF SUNSET.—Section 1265 of the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act (Subtitle F of title XII of Public Law 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 2656 note) is repealed.

SA 1783. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

DIVISION G—MINORITY BUSINESS RESILIENCY

SEC. 7001. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This division may be cited as the ''Minority Business Resiliency Act of 2021''.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this division is as follows:

DIVISION G—MINORITY BUSINESS RESILIENCY

Sec. 7001. Short title; table of contents.
Sec. 7002. Findings and purposes.
Sec. 7003. Definitions.
Sec. 7004. Minority Business Development Agency.

TITLE I—EXISTING INITIATIVES

Subtitle A—Market Development, Research, and Information

Sec. 7101. Private sector development.
Sec. 7102. Public sector development.
Sec. 7103. Research and information.

Subtitle B—Minority Business Development Agency Business Center Program

Sec. 7111. Definition.
Sec. 7112. Purpose.
Sec. 7113. Establishment.
Sec. 7114. Grants and cooperative agreements.
Sec. 7115. Minimizing disruptions to existing MBDA Business Center program.
Sec. 7116. Publicity.
Sec. 7117. Funding.

TITLE II—NEW INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC RESILIENCY FOR MINORITY BUSINESSES

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TITLE III—RURAL MINORITY BUSINESS CENTER PROGRAM

Sec. 7301. Definitions.
Sec. 7302. Business centers.
Sec. 7303. Report to Congress.
Sec. 7304. Study and report.

TITLE IV—MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Sec. 7401. Grants to nonprofit organizations that support minority business enterprises.
Sec. 7402. Minority business grants.

TITLE V—ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER POWERS OF THE AGENCY; MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Sec. 7501. Administrative powers.
Sec. 7502. Federal assistance.
Sec. 7503. Audits.
Sec. 7504. Review and report by Comptroller General.
Sec. 7505. Annual reports; recommendations.
Sec. 7506. Separability.
Sec. 7507. Executive Order 11625.
Sec. 7508. Amendment to the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994.
Sec. 7509. Authorization of appropriations.

SEC. 7002. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) During times of economic downturn or recession, communities of color, and businesses within those communities, are generally more adversely affected, which requires an expansion of the ability of the Federal Government to infuse resources into those communities.

(2) Despite the growth in the number of minority business enterprises, gaps remain with respect to key metrics for those enterprises, such as access to capital, revenue, number of employees, and survival rate. Specifically—

(A) according to the Department of Commerce, minority business enterprises are 2 to 3 times more likely to be denied loans than non-minority business enterprises;

(B) according to the Bureau of the Census, the average non-minority business enterprise reports receipts that are more than 3 times higher than receipts reported by the average minority business enterprise; and

(C) according to the Kauffman Foundation—

(i) minority business enterprises are ½ as likely to employ individuals, as compared with non-minority business enterprises; and

(ii) if minorities started and owned businesses at the same rate as non-minorities, the United States economy would have more than 1,000,000 additional employer businesses and more than 9,500,000 additional jobs.

(3) Because of the conditions described in paragraph (2), it is in the interest of the United States and the economy of the United States to expeditiously ameliorate the disparities that minority business enterprises experience.

(4) Many individuals who own minority business enterprises are socially disadvantaged because those individuals identify as members of certain groups that have suffered the effects of discriminatory practices or similar circumstances over which those individuals have no control, including individuals who are—

(A) Black or African American;

(B) Hispanic or Latino;

(C) American Indian or Alaska Native;

(D) Asian; and

(E) Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander.

(5) Discriminatory practices and similar circumstances described in paragraph (4) are a significant determinant of overall economic disadvantage in the United States, which is evident in the persistent racial wealth gap in the United States.

(6) While other Federal agencies focus only on small businesses and businesses that represent a broader demographic than solely minority business enterprises, the Agency focuses exclusively on—

(A) the unique needs of minority business enterprises; and

(B) enhancing the capacity of minority business enterprises.

(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this division are to—

(1) require the Agency to promote and administer programs in the public and private sectors to assist the development of minority business enterprises; and

(2) achieve the development described in paragraph (1) by authorizing the Assistant Secretary to carry out programs that will result in increased access to capital, management, and technology for minority business enterprises.

SEC. 7003. DEFINITIONS.

In this division:

(1) AGENCY.—The term ''Agency'' means the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

(2) ASSISTANT SECRETARY.—The term ''Assistant Secretary'' means the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Minority Business Development, who is appointed as described in section 7004(b) to administer this division.

(3) COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION.—The term ''community-based organization'' has the meaning given the term in section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

(4) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—Except as otherwise expressly provided, the term ''eligible entity''—

(A) means—

(i) a private sector entity;

(ii) a public sector entity; or

(iii) a Tribal government; and

(B) includes an institution of higher education.

(5) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term ''Federal agency'' has the meaning given the term ''agency'' in section 551 of title 5, United States Code.

(6) FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED AREA OF ECONOMIC DISTRESS.—The term ''federally recognized area of economic distress'' means—

(A) a HUBZone, as that term is defined in section 31(b) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657a(b));

(B) an area that—

(i) has been designated as—

(I) an empowerment zone under section 1391 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; or

(II) a Promise Zone by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; or

(ii) is a low or moderate income area, as determined by the Bureau of the Census;

(C) a qualified opportunity zone, as that term is defined in section 1400Z–1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; or

(D) any other political subdivision or unincorporated area of a State determined by the Assistant Secretary to be an area of economic distress.

(7) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term ''Indian Tribe''—

(A) has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304); and

(B) includes a Native Hawaiian organization.

(8) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term ''institution of higher education'' has the meaning given the term in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

(9) MBDA BUSINESS CENTER.—The term ''MBDA Business Center'' means any business center that—

(A) is established by the Agency; and

(B) provides technical business assistance to minority business enterprises consistent with the requirements of this division.

(10) MBDA BUSINESS CENTER AGREEMENT.—The term ''MBDA Business Center agreement'' means a legal instrument—

(A) reflecting a relationship between the Agency and the recipient of a Federal assistance award that is the subject of the instrument; and

(B) that establishes the terms by which the recipient described in subparagraph (A) shall operate an MBDA Business Center.

(11) MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ''minority business enterprise'' means a business enterprise—

(i) that is not less than 51 percent-owned by 1 or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals; and

(ii) the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by 1 or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals.

(B) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in subparagraph (A) may be construed to exclude a business enterprise from qualifying as a ''minority business enterprise'' under that subparagraph because of—

(i) the status of the business enterprise as a for-profit or not-for-profit enterprise; or

(ii) the revenue of the business enterprise.

(12) PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITY.—The term ''private sector entity''—

(A) means an entity that is not a public sector entity; and

(B) does not include—

(i) the Federal Government;

(ii) any Federal agency; or

(iii) any instrumentality of the Federal Government.

(13) PUBLIC SECTOR ENTITY.—The term ''public sector entity'' means—

(A) a State;

(B) an agency of a State;

(C) a political subdivision of a State; or

(D) an agency of a political subdivision of a State.

(14) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Commerce.

(15) SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUAL.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ''socially and economically disadvantaged individual'' means an individual who has been subjected to racial or ethnic prejudice, or to cultural bias, because of the identity of the individual as a member of a group, without regard to any individual quality of the individual that is unrelated to that identity.

(B) PRESUMPTION.—In carrying out this division, the Assistant Secretary shall presume that the term ''socially and economically disadvantaged individual'' includes any individual who is—

(i) Black or African American;

(ii) Hispanic or Latino;

(iii) American Indian or Alaska Native;

(iv) Asian;

(v) Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander; or

(vi) a member of a group that the Agency determines under part 1400 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on November 23, 1984, is a socially disadvantaged group eligible to receive assistance.

(16) SPECIALTY CENTER.—The term ''specialty center'' means an MBDA Business Center that provides specialty services focusing on specific business needs, including assistance relating to—

(A) capital access;

(B) Federal procurement;

(C) entrepreneurship;

(D) technology transfer; or

(E) any other area determined necessary or appropriate based on the priorities of the Agency.

(17) STATE.—The term ''State'' means—

(A) each of the States of the United States;

(B) the District of Columbia;

(C) the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico;

(D) the United States Virgin Islands;

(E) Guam;

(F) American Samoa;

(G) the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and

(H) each Indian Tribe.

SEC. 7004. MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—There is within the Department of Commerce the Minority Business Development Agency.

(b) ASSISTANT SECRETARY.—

(1) APPOINTMENT AND DUTIES.—The Agency shall be headed by an Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Minority Business Development, who shall be—

(A) appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and

(B) except as otherwise expressly provided, responsible for the administration of this division.

(2) COMPENSATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary shall be compensated at an annual rate of basic pay prescribed for level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5, United States Code.

(B) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 5315 of title 5, United States Code, is amended, in the item relating to Assistant Secretaries of Commerce, by striking ''(11)'' and inserting ''(12)''.

(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that describes—

(1) the organizational structure of the Agency;

(2) the organizational position of the Agency within the Department of Commerce; and

(3) a description of how the Agency shall function in relation to the operations carried out by each other component of the Department of Commerce.

(d) OFFICE OF BUSINESS CENTERS.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within the Agency an Office of Business Centers.

(2) DIRECTOR.—The Office of Business Centers shall be administered by a Director, who shall be appointed by the Assistant Secretary.

(e) OFFICES OF THE AGENCY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the regional offices that the Assistant Secretary is required to establish under paragraph (2), the Assistant Secretary shall establish such other offices within the Agency as are necessary to carry out this division.

(2) REGIONAL OFFICES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—In order to carry out this division, the Assistant Secretary shall establish a regional office of the Agency for each of the regions of the United States, as determined by the Assistant Secretary.

(B) DUTIES.—Each regional office established under subparagraph (A) shall expand the reach of the Agency and enable the Federal Government to better serve the needs of minority business enterprises in the region served by the office, including by—

(i) understanding and participating in the business environment of that region;

(ii) working with—

(I) MBDA Business Centers that are located in that region;

(II) resource and lending partners of the Small Business Administration and the Department of Agriculture that are located in that region; and

(III) Federal, State, and local procurement offices that are located in that region;

(iii) being aware of business retention or expansion programs that are specific to that region;

(iv) seeking out opportunities to collaborate with regional public and private programs that focus on minority business enterprises; and

(v) promoting business continuity and preparedness.

TITLE I—EXISTING INITIATIVES

Subtitle A—Market Development, Research, and Information

SEC. 7101. PRIVATE SECTOR DEVELOPMENT.

The Assistant Secretary shall, whenever the Assistant Secretary determines such action is necessary or appropriate—

(1) provide Federal assistance to minority business enterprises operating in domestic and foreign markets by making available to those business enterprises, either directly or in cooperation with private sector entities, including community-based organizations and national nonprofit organizations—

(A) resources relating to management;

(B) technological and technical assistance;

(C) financial, legal, and marketing services; and

(D) services relating to workforce development;

(2) encourage minority business enterprises to establish joint ventures and projects—

(A) with other minority business enterprises; or

(B) in cooperation with public sector entities or private sector entities, including community-based organizations and national nonprofit organizations, to increase the share of any market activity being performed by minority business enterprises; and

(3) facilitate the efforts of private sector entities and Federal agencies to advance the growth of minority business enterprises.

SEC. 7102. PUBLIC SECTOR DEVELOPMENT.

The Assistant Secretary shall, whenever the Assistant Secretary determines such action is necessary or appropriate—

(1) consult and cooperate with public sector entities for the purpose of leveraging resources available in the jurisdictions of those public sector entities to promote the position of minority business enterprises in the local economies of those public sector entities, including by assisting public sector entities to establish or enhance—

(A) programs to procure goods and services through minority business enterprises and goals for that procurement;

(B) programs offering assistance relating to—

(i) management;

(ii) technology;

(iii) law;

(iv) financing, including accounting;

(v) marketing; and

(vi) workforce development; and

(C) informational programs designed to inform minority business enterprises located in the jurisdictions of those public sector entities about the availability of programs described in this section;

(2) meet with leaders and officials of public sector entities for the purpose of recommending and promoting local administrative and legislative initiatives needed to advance the position of minority business enterprises in the local economies of those public sector entities; and

(3) facilitate the efforts of public sector entities and Federal agencies to advance the growth of minority business enterprises.

SEC. 7103. RESEARCH AND INFORMATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In order to achieve the purposes of this division, the Assistant Secretary—

(1) shall—

(A) collect and analyze data, including data relating to the causes of the success or failure of minority business enterprises;

(B) perform evaluations of programs carried out by Federal agencies with an emphasis on increasing coordination between Federal agencies with respect to the development of minority business enterprises;

(C) conduct research, studies, and surveys of—

(i) economic conditions generally in the United States; and

(ii) how the conditions described in clause (i) particularly affect the development of minority business enterprises; and

(D) provide outreach, educational services, and technical assistance in the 10 most commonly spoken languages in the United States to ensure that limited-English proficient individuals receive culturally and linguistically appropriate access to the services and information provided by the Agency; and

(2) may, at the request of a public sector entity or a private sector entity, perform an evaluation of programs carried out by the entity that are designed to assist the development of minority business enterprises.

(b) INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE.—The Assistant Secretary shall—

(1) establish and maintain an information clearinghouse for the collection and dissemination to relevant parties (including business owners and researchers) of demographic, economic, financial, managerial, and technical data relating to minority business enterprises; and

(2) take such steps as the Assistant Secretary may determine to be necessary and desirable to—

(A) search for, collect, classify, coordinate, integrate, record, and catalog the data described in paragraph (1); and

(B) in a manner that is consistent with section 552a of title 5, United States Code, protect the privacy of the minority business enterprises to which the data described in paragraph (1) relates.

Subtitle B—Minority Business Development Agency Business Center Program

SEC. 7111. DEFINITION.

In this subtitle, the term ''MBDA Business Center Program'' means the program established under section 7113.

SEC. 7112. PURPOSE.

The purpose of the MBDA Business Center Program shall be to create a national network of public-private partnerships that—

(1) assist minority business enterprises to—

(A) access capital, contracts, and grants; and

(B) create and maintain jobs;

(2) provide counseling and mentoring to minority business enterprises; and

(3) facilitate the growth of minority business enterprises by promoting trade.

SEC. 7113. ESTABLISHMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the Agency a program—

(1) that shall be known as the MBDA Business Center Program;

(2) that shall be separate and distinct from the efforts of the Assistant Secretary under section 7101; and

(3) under which the Assistant Secretary shall make Federal assistance awards to eligible entities to operate MBDA Business Centers, which shall, in accordance with section 7114, provide technical assistance and business development services, or specialty services, to minority business enterprises.

(b) COVERAGE.—The Assistant Secretary shall take all necessary actions to ensure that the MBDA Business Center Program, in accordance with section 7114, offers the services described in subsection (a)(3) in all regions of the United States.

SEC. 7114. GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.

(a) REQUIREMENTS.—An MBDA Business Center (referred to in this subtitle as a ''Center''), with respect to the Federal financial assistance award made to operate the Center under the MBDA Business Center Program—

(1) shall—

(A) provide to minority business enterprises programs and services determined to be appropriate by the Assistant Secretary, which—

(i) shall include referral services to meet the needs of minority business enterprises; and

(ii) may include programs and services to accomplish the goals described in section 7101(1);

(B) develop, cultivate, and maintain a network of strategic partnerships with organizations that foster access by minority business enterprises to economic markets, capital, or contracts;

(C) continue to upgrade and modify the services provided by the Center, as necessary, in order to meet the changing and evolving needs of the business community;

(D) establish or continue a referral relationship with not less than 1 community-based organization; and

(E) collaborate with other Centers; and

(2) in providing programs and services under the applicable MBDA Business Center agreement, may—

(A) operate on a fee-for-service basis; or

(B) generate income through the collection of—

(i) client fees;

(ii) membership fees; and

(iii) any other appropriate fees proposed by the Center in the application submitted by the Center under subsection (e).

(b) TERM.—Subject to subsection (g)(3), the term of an MBDA Business Center agreement shall be not less than 3 years.

(c) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The amount of financial assistance provided by the Assistant Secretary under an MBDA Business Center agreement shall be not less than $250,000 for the term of the agreement.

(2) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—A Center shall match not less than ⅓ of the amount of the financial assistance awarded to the Center under the terms of the applicable MBDA Business Center agreement, unless the Assistant Secretary determines that a waiver of that requirement is necessary after a demonstration by the Center of a substantial need for that waiver.

(B) FORM OF FUNDS.—A Center may meet the matching requirement under subparagraph (A) using—

(i) cash or in-kind contributions, without regard to whether the contribution is made by a third party; or

(ii) Federal funds received from other Federal programs.

(3) USE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND PROGRAM INCOME.—A Center shall use—

(A) all financial assistance awarded to the Center under the applicable MBDA Business Center agreement to carry out subsection (a); and

(B) all income that the Center generates in carrying out subsection (a)—

(i) to meet the matching requirement under paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(ii) if the Center meets the matching requirement under paragraph (2) of this subsection, to carry out subsection (a).

(d) CRITERIA FOR SELECTION.—The Assistant Secretary shall—

(1) establish criteria that—

(A) the Assistant Secretary shall use in determining whether to enter into an MBDA Business Center agreement with an eligible entity; and

(B) may include criteria relating to whether an eligible entity is located in—

(i) an area, the population of which is composed of not less than 51 percent socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, as determined in accordance with data collected by the Bureau of the Census;

(ii) a federally recognized area of economic distress; or

(iii) a State that is underserved with respect to the MBDA Business Center Program, as defined by the Assistant Secretary; and

(2) make the criteria and standards established under paragraph (1) publicly available, including—

(A) on the website of the Agency; and

(B) in each Notice of Funding Opportunity soliciting MBDA Business Center agreements.

(e) APPLICATIONS.—An eligible entity desiring to enter into an MBDA Business Center agreement shall submit to the Assistant Secretary an application that includes—

(1) a statement of—

(A) how the eligible entity will carry out subsection (a); and

(B) any experience of the eligible entity in—

(i) assisting minority business enterprises to—

(I) obtain—

(aa) large-scale contracts, grants, or procurements;

(bb) financing; or

(cc) legal assistance;

(II) access established supply chains; and

(III) engage in—

(aa) joint ventures, teaming arrangements, and mergers and acquisitions; or

(bb) large-scale transactions in global markets;

(ii) supporting minority business enterprises in increasing the size of the workforces of those enterprises, including, with respect to a minority business enterprise that does not have employees, aiding the minority business enterprise in becoming an enterprise that has employees; and

(iii) advocating for minority business enterprises; and

(2) the budget and corresponding budget narrative that the eligible entity will use in carrying out subsection (a) during the term of the applicable MBDA Business Center agreement.

(f) NOTIFICATION.—If the Assistant Secretary grants an application of an eligible entity submitted under subsection (e), the Assistant Secretary shall notify the eligible entity that the application has been granted not later than 150 days after the last day on which an application may be submitted under that subsection.

(g) PROGRAM EXAMINATION; ACCREDITATION; EXTENSIONS.—

(1) EXAMINATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and biennially thereafter, the Assistant Secretary shall conduct a programmatic financial examination of each Center.

(2) ACCREDITATION.—The Assistant Secretary may provide financial support, by contract or otherwise, to an association, not less than 51 percent of the members of which are Centers, to—

(A) pursue matters of common concern with respect to Centers; and

(B) develop an accreditation program with respect to Centers.

(3) EXTENSIONS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary may extend the term under subsection (b) of an MBDA Business Center agreement to which a Center is a party, if the Center consents to the extension.

(B) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—If the Assistant Secretary extends the term of an MBDA Business Center agreement under paragraph (1), the Assistant Secretary shall, in the same manner and amount in which financial assistance was provided during the initial term of the agreement, provide financial assistance under the agreement during the extended term of the agreement.

(h) MBDA INVOLVEMENT.—The Assistant Secretary may take actions to ensure that the Agency is substantially involved in the activities of Centers in carrying out subsection (a), including by—

(1) providing to each Center training relating to the MBDA Business Center Program;

(2) requiring that the operator and staff of each Center—

(A) attend—

(i) a conference with the Agency to establish the services and programs that the Center will provide in carrying out the requirements before the date on which the Center begins providing those services and programs; and

(ii) training provided under paragraph (1);

(B) receive necessary guidance relating to carrying out the requirements under subsection (a); and

(C) work in coordination and collaboration with the Assistant Secretary to carry out the MBDA Business Center Program and other programs of the Agency;

(3) facilitating connections between Centers and—

(A) Federal agencies other than the Agency, including the Small Business Administration, the Department of Agriculture, the Federal Trade Commission, the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and the Economic Development Administration of the Department of Commerce; and

(B) other institutions or entities that use Federal resources, including—

(i) small business development centers, as that term is defined in section 3(t) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(t));

(ii) women's business centers described in section 29 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 656);

(iii) eligible entities, as that term is defined in section 2411 of title 10, United States Code, that provide services under the program carried out under chapter 142 of that title; and

(iv) entities participating in the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program established under section 25 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278k);

(4) monitoring projects carried out by each Center; and

(5) establishing and enforcing administrative and reporting requirements for each Center to carry out subsection (a).

(i) REGULATIONS.—The Assistant Secretary shall issue and publish regulations that establish minimum standards regarding verification of minority business enterprise status for clients of entities operating under the MBDA Business Center Program.

SEC. 7115. MINIMIZING DISRUPTIONS TO EXISTING MBDA BUSINESS CENTER PROGRAM.

The Assistant Secretary shall ensure that each Federal assistance award made under the Business Centers program of the Agency, as is in effect on the day before the date of enactment of this Act, is carried out in a manner that, to the greatest extent practicable, prevents disruption of any activity carried out under that award.

SEC. 7116. PUBLICITY.

In carrying out the MBDA Business Center Program, the Assistant Secretary shall widely publicize the MBDA Business Center Program, including—

(1) on the website of the Agency;

(2) via social media outlets; and

(3) by sharing information relating to the MBDA Business Center Program with community-based organizations, including interpretation groups where necessary, to communicate in the most common languages spoken by the groups served by those organizations.

SEC. 7117. FUNDING.

The Assistant Secretary shall use not less than 50 percent of the amount made available to carry out this division in each of fiscal years 2021 through 2024 to carry out the MBDA Business Center Program, including the component of the program relating to specialty centers.

TITLE II—NEW INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC RESILIENCY FOR MINORITY BUSINESSES

SEC. 7201. ANNUAL DIVERSE BUSINESS FORUM ON CAPITAL FORMATION.

(a) RESPONSIBILITY OF AGENCY.—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Agency shall conduct a Government-business forum to review the current status of problems and programs relating to capital formation by minority business enterprises.

(b) PARTICIPATION IN FORUM PLANNING.—The Assistant Secretary shall invite the heads of other Federal agencies, such as the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, organizations representing State securities commissioners, representatives of leading minority chambers of commerce, not less than 1 certified owner of a minority business enterprise, business organizations, and professional organizations concerned with capital formation to participate in the planning of each forum conducted under subsection (a).

(c) PREPARATION OF STATEMENTS AND REPORTS.—

(1) REQUESTS.—The Assistant Secretary may request that any head of a Federal department, agency, or organization, including those described in subsection (b), or any other group or individual, prepare a statement or report to be delivered at any forum conducted under subsection (a).

(2) COOPERATION.—Any head of a Federal department, agency, or organization who receives a request under paragraph (1) shall, to the greatest extent practicable, cooperate with the Assistant Secretary to fulfill that request.

(d) TRANSMITTAL OF PROCEEDINGS AND FINDINGS.—The Assistant Secretary shall—

(1) prepare a summary of the proceedings of each forum conducted under subsection (a), which shall include the findings and recommendations of the forum; and

(2) transmit the summary described in paragraph (1) with respect to each forum conducted under subsection (a) to—

(A) the participants in the forum;

(B) Congress; and

(C) the public, through a publicly available website.

(e) REVIEW OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS; PUBLIC STATEMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—A Federal agency to which a finding or recommendation described in subsection (d)(1) relates shall—

(A) review that finding or recommendation; and

(B) promptly after the finding or recommendation is transmitted under subsection (d)(2)(C), issue a public statement—

(i) assessing the finding or recommendation; and

(ii) disclosing the action, if any, the Federal agency intends to take with respect to the finding or recommendation.

(2) JOINT STATEMENT PERMITTED.—If a finding or recommendation described in subsection (d)(1) relates to more than 1 Federal agency, the applicable Federal agencies may, for the purposes of the public statement required under paragraph (1)(B), issue a joint statement.

SEC. 7202. AGENCY STUDY ON ALTERNATIVE FINANCING SOLUTIONS.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to provide information relating to alternative financing solutions to minority business enterprises, as those business enterprises are more likely to struggle in accessing, particularly at affordable rates, traditional sources of capital.

(b) STUDY AND REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary shall—

(1) conduct a study on opportunities for providing alternative financing solutions to minority business enterprises; and

(2) submit to Congress, and publish on the website of the Agency, a report describing the findings of the study carried out under paragraph (1).

SEC. 7203. EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RELATING TO MANAGEMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

(a) DUTIES.—The Assistant Secretary shall, whenever the Assistant Secretary determines such action is necessary or appropriate—

(1) promote and provide assistance for the education and training of socially and economically disadvantaged individuals in subjects directly relating to business administration and management;

(2) join with, and encourage, institutions of higher education, leaders in business and industry, and other public sector and private sector entities, particularly minority business enterprises, to—

(A) develop programs to offer scholarships and fellowships, apprenticeships, and internships relating to business to socially and economically disadvantaged individuals; and

(B) sponsor seminars, conferences, and similar activities relating to business for the benefit of socially and economically disadvantaged individuals;

(3) stimulate and accelerate curriculum design and improvement in support of development of minority business enterprises; and

(4) encourage and assist private institutions and organizations and public sector entities to undertake activities similar to the activities described in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3).

(b) PARREN J. MITCHELL ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION GRANTS.—

(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term ''eligible institution'' means an institution of higher education described in any of paragraphs (1) through (7) of section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)).

(2) GRANTS.—The Assistant Secretary shall award grants to eligible institutions to develop and implement entrepreneurship curricula.

(3) REQUIREMENTS.—An eligible institution to which a grant is awarded under this subsection shall use the grant funds to—

(A) develop a curriculum that includes training in various skill sets needed by contemporary successful entrepreneurs, including—

(i) business management and marketing;

(ii) financial management and accounting;

(iii) market analysis;

(iv) competitive analysis;

(v) innovation;

(vi) strategic planning; and

(vii) any other skill set that the eligible institution determines is necessary for the students served by the eligible institution and the community in which the eligible institution is located; and

(B) implement the curriculum developed under subparagraph (A) at the eligible institution.

(4) IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE.—The Assistant Secretary shall establish and publish a timeline under which an eligible institution to which a grant is awarded under this section shall carry out the requirements under paragraph (3).

(5) REPORTS.—Each year, the Assistant Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate, the Committee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives, as part of the annual budget submission of the President under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, a report evaluating the awarding and use of grants under this subsection during the fiscal year immediately preceding the date on which the report is submitted, which shall include, with respect to that fiscal year—

(A) a description of each curriculum developed and implemented under each grant awarded under this section;

(B) the date on which each grant awarded under this section was awarded; and

(C) the number of eligible entities that were recipients of grants awarded under this section.

TITLE III—RURAL MINORITY BUSINESS CENTER PROGRAM

SEC. 7301. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate;

(B) the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate;

(C) the Committee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives; and

(D) the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives.

(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ''eligible entity'' means—

(A) a minority-serving institution; or

(B) a consortium of institutions of higher education that is led by a minority-serving institution.

(3) MBDA RURAL BUSINESS CENTER.—The term ''MBDA Rural Business Center'' means an MBDA Business Center that provides technical business assistance to minority business enterprises located in rural areas.

(4) MBDA RURAL BUSINESS CENTER AGREEMENT.—The term ''MBDA Rural Business Center agreement'' means an MBDA Business Center agreement that establishes the terms by which the recipient of the Federal assistance award that is the subject of the agreement shall operate an MBDA Rural Business Center.

(5) MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term ''minority-serving institution'' means an institution described in any of paragraphs (1) through (7) of section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)).

(6) RURAL AREA.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), the term ''rural area'' has the meaning given the term in section 343(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1991(a)).

(B) 100,000 INHABITANTS.—For the purpose of this title, the reference to ''50,000 inhabitants'' in section 343(a)(13)(A)(i) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1991(a)(13)(A)(i)) shall be deemed to refer to 100,000 inhabitants.

(7) RURAL MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE.—The term ''rural minority business enterprise'' means a minority business enterprise located in a rural area.

SEC. 7302. BUSINESS CENTERS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary may establish MBDA Rural Business Centers.

(b) PARTNERSHIP.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to an MBDA Rural Business Center established by the Assistant Secretary, the Assistant Secretary shall establish the MBDA Rural Business Center in partnership with an eligible entity in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) MBDA AGREEMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—With respect to each MBDA Rural Business Center established by the Assistant Secretary, the Assistant Secretary shall enter into a cooperative agreement with an eligible entity that provides that—

(i) the eligible entity shall provide space, facilities, and staffing for the MBDA Rural Business Center;

(ii) the Assistant Secretary shall provide funding for, and oversight with respect to, the MBDA Rural Business Center; and

(iii) subject to subparagraph (B), the eligible entity shall match 20 percent of the amount of the funding provided by the Assistant Secretary under clause (ii), which may be calculated to include the costs of providing the space, facilities, and staffing under clause (i).

(B) LOWER MATCH REQUIREMENT.—Based on the available resources of an eligible entity, the Assistant Secretary may enter into a cooperative agreement with the eligible entity that provides that—

(i) the eligible entity shall match less than 20 percent of the amount of the funding provided by the Assistant Secretary under subparagraph (A)(ii); or

(ii) if the Assistant Secretary makes a determination, upon a demonstration by the eligible entity of substantial need, the eligible entity shall not be required to provide any match with respect to the funding provided by the Assistant Secretary under subparagraph (A)(ii).

(C) ELIGIBLE FUNDS.—An eligible entity may provide matching funds required under an MBDA Rural Business Center agreement with Federal funds received from other Federal programs.

(3) TERM.—The initial term of an MBDA Rural Business Center agreement shall be 3 years.

(4) EXTENSION.—The Assistant Secretary and an eligible entity may agree to extend the term of an MBDA Rural Business Center agreement with respect to an MBDA Rural Business Center.

(c) FUNCTIONS.—An MBDA Rural Business Center shall—

(1) primarily serve clients that are—

(A) rural minority business enterprises; or

(B) minority business enterprises that are located more than 50 miles from an MBDA Business Center (other than that MBDA Rural Business Center);

(2) focus on—

(A) issues relating to—

(i) the adoption of broadband internet access service (as defined in section 8.1(b) of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation), digital literacy skills, and e-commerce by rural minority business enterprises;

(ii) advanced manufacturing;

(iii) the promotion of manufacturing in the United States;

(iv) ways in which rural minority business enterprises can meet gaps in the supply chain of critical supplies and essential goods and services for the United States;

(v) improving the connectivity of rural minority business enterprises through transportation and logistics;

(vi) promoting trade and export opportunities by rural minority business enterprises;

(vii) securing financial capital;

(viii) facilitating entrepreneurship in rural areas; and

(ix) creating jobs in rural areas; and

(B) any other issue relating to the unique challenges faced by rural minority business enterprises; and

(3) provide education, training, and legal, financial, and technical assistance to minority business enterprises.

(d) APPLICATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary shall issue a Notice of Funding Opportunity requesting applications from eligible entities that desire to enter into MBDA Rural Business Center agreements.

(2) CRITERIA AND PRIORITY.—In selecting an eligible entity with which to enter into an MBDA Rural Business Center agreement, the Assistant Secretary shall—

(A) select an eligible entity that demonstrates—

(i) the ability to collaborate with governmental and private sector entities to leverage capabilities of minority business enterprises through public-private partnerships;

(ii) the research and extension capacity to support minority business enterprises;

(iii) knowledge of the community that the eligible entity serves and the ability to conduct effective outreach to that community to advance the goals of an MBDA Rural Business Center;

(iv) the ability to provide innovative business solutions, including access to contracting opportunities, markets, and capital;

(v) the ability to provide services that advance the development of science, technology, engineering, and math jobs within minority business enterprises;

(vi) the ability to leverage resources from within the eligible entity to advance an MBDA Rural Business Center;

(vii) that the mission of the eligible entity aligns with the mission of the Agency;

(viii) the ability to leverage relationships with rural minority business enterprises; and

(ix) a referral relationship with not less than 1 community-based organization; and

(B) give priority to an eligible entity located in a State or region that lacks an MBDA Business Center, as of the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 7303. REPORT TO CONGRESS.

Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes—

(1) a summary of the efforts of the Assistant Secretary to provide services to minority business enterprises located in States that lack an MBDA Business Center, as of the date of enactment of this Act, and especially in those States that have significant minority populations; and

(2) recommendations for extending the outreach of the Agency to underserved areas.

SEC. 7304. STUDY AND REPORT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary, in coordination with relevant leadership of the Agency and relevant individuals outside of the Department of Commerce, shall conduct a study that addresses the ways in which minority business enterprises can meet gaps in the supply chain of the United States, with a particular focus on the supply chain of advanced manufacturing and essential goods and services.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes the results of the study conducted under subsection (a), which shall include recommendations regarding the ways in which minority business enterprises can meet gaps in the supply chain of the United States.

TITLE IV—MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

SEC. 7401. GRANTS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORT MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES.

(a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ''covered entity'' means a private nonprofit organization that—

(1) is described in paragraph (3), (4), (5), or (6) of section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code; and

(2) can demonstrate that a primary activity of the organization is to provide services to minority business enterprises, whether through education, making grants or loans, or other similar activities.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to make grants to covered entities to help those covered entities continue the necessary work of supporting minority business enterprises.

(c) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary shall establish within the Agency a grant program under which the Assistant Secretary shall make grants to covered entities in accordance with the requirements of this section.

(d) APPLICATION.—A covered entity desiring a grant under this section shall submit to the Assistant Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Assistant Secretary may require.

(e) PRIORITY.—The Assistant Secretary shall, in carrying out this section, prioritize granting an application submitted by a covered entity that is located in a federally recognized area of economic distress.

(f) USE OF FUNDS.—A covered entity to which a grant is made under this section may use the grant funds to support the development and growth of minority business enterprises.

(g) PROCEDURES.—The Assistant Secretary shall establish procedures to—

(1) discourage and prevent waste, fraud, and abuse by applicants for, and recipients of, grants made under this section; and

(2) ensure that grants are made under this section to a diverse array of covered entities, including—

(A) covered entities with a national presence;

(B) community-based covered entities;

(C) covered entities with annual budgets below $1,000,000; and

(D) covered entities that principally serve low-income and rural communities.

(h) INSPECTOR GENERAL AUDIT.—Not later than 180 days after the date on which the Assistant Secretary begins making grants under this section, the Inspector General of the Department of Commerce shall—

(1) conduct an audit of grants made under this section, which shall seek to identify any discrepancies or irregularities with respect to those grants; and

(2) submit to Congress a report regarding the audit conducted under paragraph (1).

(i) UPDATES TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 90 days after the date on which the Assistant Secretary establishes the grant program under subsection (c), and once every 30 days thereafter, the Assistant Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that contains—

(1) the number of grants made under this section during the period covered by the report; and

(2) with respect to the grants described in paragraph (1), the geographic distribution of those grants by State and county.

SEC. 7402. MINORITY BUSINESS GRANTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary may award grants to minority business enterprises for the purpose of—

(1) growing a minority business enterprise; or

(2) helping a minority business enterprise to remain in business.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE.—The Assistant Secretary shall establish an office within the Agency that has adequate staffing to award and administer grants under subsection (a).

(c) UPDATES TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and once every 30 days thereafter, the Assistant Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that contains—

(1) the number of grants made under this section during the period covered by the report; and

(2) with respect to the grants described in paragraph (1)—

(A) the geographic distribution of those grants by State and county; and

(B) with respect to each minority business enterprise to which such a grant is awarded—

(i) demographic information with respect to the minority business enterprise; and

(ii) information regarding the industry in which the minority business enterprise operates.

TITLE V—ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER POWERS OF THE AGENCY; MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SEC. 7501. ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out this division, the Assistant Secretary may—

(1) adopt and use a seal for the Agency, which shall be judicially noticed;

(2) hold hearings, sit and act, and take testimony as the Assistant Secretary may determine to be necessary or appropriate to carry out this division;

(3) acquire, in any lawful manner, any property that the Assistant Secretary determines to be necessary or appropriate to carry out this division;

(4) make advance payments under grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements awarded under this division;

(5) with the consent of another Federal agency, enter into an agreement with that Federal agency to utilize, with or without reimbursement, any service, equipment, personnel, or facility of that Federal agency;

(6) coordinate with the heads of the Offices of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization of Federal agencies;

(7) require a coordinated review of all training and technical assistance activities that are proposed to be carried out by Federal agencies in direct support of the development of minority business enterprises to—

(A) ensure consistency with the purposes of this division; and

(B) avoid duplication of existing efforts; and

(8) prescribe such rules, regulations, and procedures as the Assistant Secretary determines to be necessary or appropriate to carry out this division.

(b) EMPLOYMENT OF CERTAIN EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out this division, the Assistant Secretary may employ experts and consultants or organizations that are composed of experts or consultants, as authorized under section 3109 of title 5, United States Code.

(2) RENEWAL OF CONTRACTS.—The Assistant Secretary may annually renew a contract for employment of an individual employed under paragraph (1).

(c) DONATION OF PROPERTY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), in carrying out this division, the Assistant Secretary may, without cost (except for costs of care and handling), donate for use by any public sector entity, or by any recipient nonprofit organization, for the purpose of the development of minority business enterprises, any real or tangible personal property acquired by the Agency in carrying out this division.

(2) TERMS, CONDITIONS, RESERVATIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS.—The Assistant Secretary may impose reasonable terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions upon the use of any property donated under paragraph (1).

SEC. 7502. FEDERAL ASSISTANCE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) PROVISION OF FEDERAL ASSISTANCE.—To carry out sections 7101, 7102, and 7103(a), the Assistant Secretary may provide Federal assistance to public sector entities and private sector entities in the form of grants or cooperative agreements.

(2) NOTICE.—Not later than 120 days after the date on which amounts are appropriated to carry out this section, the Assistant Secretary shall, in accordance with subsection (b), broadly publish a statement regarding Federal assistance that will, or may, be provided under paragraph (1) during the fiscal year for which those amounts are appropriated, including—

(A) the actual, or anticipated, amount of Federal assistance that will, or may, be made available;

(B) the types of Federal assistance that will, or may, be made available;

(C) the manner in which Federal assistance will be allocated among public sector entities and private sector entities, as applicable; and

(D) the methodology used by the Assistant Secretary to make allocations under subparagraph (C).

(3) CONSULTATION.—The Assistant Secretary shall consult with public sector entities and private sector entities, as applicable, in deciding the amounts and types of Federal assistance to make available under paragraph (1).

(b) PUBLICITY.—In carrying out this section, the Assistant Secretary shall broadly publicize all opportunities for Federal assistance available under this section, including through the means required under section 7116.

SEC. 7503. AUDITS.

(a) RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENT.—Each recipient of assistance under this division shall keep such records as the Assistant Secretary shall prescribe, including records that fully disclose, with respect to the assistance received by the recipient under this division—

(1) the amount and nature of that assistance;

(2) the disposition by the recipient of the proceeds of that assistance;

(3) the total cost of the undertaking for which the assistance is given or used;

(4) the amount and nature of the portion of the cost of the undertaking described in paragraph (3) that is supplied by a source other than the Agency; and

(5) any other record that will facilitate an effective audit with respect to the assistance.

(b) ACCESS BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.—The Assistant Secretary, the Inspector General of the Department of Commerce, and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any duly authorized representative of any such individual, shall have access, for the purpose of audit, investigation, and examination, to any book, document, paper, record, or other material of a recipient of assistance under this division that pertains to the assistance received by the recipient under this division.

SEC. 7504. REVIEW AND REPORT BY COMPTROLLER GENERAL.

Not later than 4 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall—

(1) conduct a thorough review of the programs carried out under this division; and

(2) submit to Congress a detailed report of the findings of the Comptroller General of the United States under the review carried out under paragraph (1), which shall include—

(A) an evaluation of the effectiveness of the programs in achieving the purposes of this division;

(B) a description of any failure by any recipient of assistance under this division to comply with the requirements under this division; and

(C) recommendations for any legislative or administrative action that should be taken to improve the achievement of the purposes of this division.

SEC. 7505. ANNUAL REPORTS; RECOMMENDATIONS.

(a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the last day of each fiscal year, the Assistant Secretary shall submit to Congress, and publish on the website of the Agency, a report of each activity of the Agency carried out under this division during the fiscal year preceding the date on which the report is submitted.

(b) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Assistant Secretary shall periodically submit to Congress and the President recommendations for legislation or other actions that the Assistant Secretary determines to be necessary or appropriate to promote the purposes of this division.

SEC. 7506. SEPARABILITY.

If a provision of this division, or the application of a provision of this division to any person or circumstance, is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, that judgment—

(1) shall not affect, impair, or invalidate—

(A) any other provision of this division; or

(B) the application of this division to any other person or circumstance; and

(2) shall be confined in its operation to—

(A) the provision of this division with respect to which the judgment is rendered; or

(B) the application of the provision of this division to each person or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which the judgment is rendered.

SEC. 7507. EXECUTIVE ORDER 11625.

The powers and duties of the Agency shall be determined—

(1) in accordance with this division and the requirements of this division; and

(2) without regard to Executive Order 11625 (36 Fed. Reg. 19967; relating to prescribing additional arrangements for developing and coordinating a national program for minority business enterprise).

SEC. 7508. AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION STREAMLINING ACT OF 1994.

Section 7104(c) of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994 (15 U.S.C. 644a(c)) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

''(2) The Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Minority Business Development.''.

SEC. 7509. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Assistant Secretary not less than $100,000,000 for fiscal year 2021, and each fiscal year thereafter, to carry out this division.

SA 1784. Mr. DAINES (for himself and Mr. PETERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. PROTECTION OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (2) of section 431(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1431(c)) is amended to read as follows:

''(2)(A) The information listed in paragraph (1) shall not be available for public disclosure if—

''(i) the Secretary of the Treasury makes an affirmative finding on a shipment-by-shipment basis that disclosure is likely to pose a threat of personal injury or property damage; or

''(ii) the information is exempt under the provisions of section 552(b)(1) of title 5, United States Code.

''(B) The Secretary shall ensure that any personally identifiable information, including Social Security numbers and passport numbers, is removed from any manifest signed, produced, delivered, or electronically transmitted under this section before access to the manifest is provided to the public.''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SA 1785. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 23, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

(5) REPORT.—Not later than the earlier of 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act or the date on which the Secretary of Commerce awards the first grant under section 9902 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) with amounts appropriated under this subsection, the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of relevant Federal agencies, shall submit to Congress a report that includes recommendations for adjustments to policies and regulations in order to reduce, with respect to the semiconductor incentive program established under that section—

(A) permitting timelines; and

(B) the various costs of permitting and the development of semiconductor manufacturing.

SA 1786. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 716, after line 24, add the following:

(8) The United States Agency for Global Media shall prioritize and seek to increase credible and timely news coverage of the People's Republic of China's Belt and Road Initiative in all countries in which Belt and Road Initiative infrastructure projects have been initiated or proposed.

SA 1787. Mr. DAINES (for himself and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation,

manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. ENFORCEMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROVISIONS OF ECONOMIC AND TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CHINA.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the Agreement includes significant mandates for the People's Republic of China related to its domestic intellectual property regime, including with respect to copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, and patents;

(2) the changes included in the Agreement, if implemented effectively, should improve the domestic intellectual property framework of the People's Republic of China, which has historically proven to harm the innovation and creative communities in the United States;

(3) despite commitments made by the Government of the People's Republic of China under the Agreement, ongoing market access barriers, uneven enforcement, measures requiring forced technology transfer, and serious deficiencies in the rule of law continue to make the business environment in the People's Republic of China highly challenging for rights holders in the United States;

(4) as reflected in the 2021 report by the United States Trade Representative required under section 182(h) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2242(h)) (commonly referred to as the ''Special 301 Report''), the People's Republic of China has consistently been listed in that annual report since 1989 as a trading partner of the United States that ''fails to provide adequate and effective IP protection and enforcement for U.S. inventors, creators, brands, manufacturers, and service providers, which, in turn, harm American workers''; and

(5) Congress encourages the United States Trade Representative, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office—

(A) to use all available tools to ensure that the People's Republic of China fully implements its commitments under the Agreement; and

(B) to actively consider additional means to require the People's Republic of China to address unfair market access barriers, forced technology transfer requirements, and broader intellectual property theft concerns, including through future trade agreements and working with partners in multilateral organizations, such as the Group of 7 (G7), the Group of 20 (G20), and the World Trade Organization.

(b) ENFORCEMENT OF AGREEMENT.—The President, acting through the United States Trade Representative, shall coordinate with the heads of such Federal agencies as the President considers appropriate to enforce the actions related to intellectual property laid out in the Agreement including—

(1) the civil, administrative, and criminal procedures and deterrent-level civil and criminal penalties provided in the Agreement; and

(2) by using the full enforcement authority of the President, including any enforcement authority in connection with the identification and reporting process under section 182 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2242).

(c) REPORT ON STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days thereafter, the United States Trade Representative shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the status of the implementation by the People's Republic of China of its obligations under Chapter 1 of the Agreement.

(2) INFORMATION IN REPORT.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall contain information sufficient to enable the appropriate committees of Congress to assess the extent of the compliance by the People's Republic of China with the Agreement, including appropriate quantitative metrics.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) AGREEMENT.—The term ''Agreement'' means the Economic and Trade Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of China, dated January 15, 2020.

(2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means the Committee on Finance of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

SA 1788. Mr. DAINES (for himself and Ms. SINEMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 3101, insert after subsection (c) the following:

(d) SPECIAL FOCUS ON CRITICAL MINERAL PRODUCTION SUPPLY CHAINS.—The Secretary of State and Secretary of Commerce shall coordinate with the Secretary of Energy to include in the services described in subsection (a) a focus on assisting interested United States persons and business entities with critical mineral supply chain management issues, diversification, domestic production, and management.

SA 1789. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. COVERED PROJECTS UNDER TITLE XLI OF THE FAST ACT.

Section 41001(6)(A) of the FAST Act (42 U.S.C. 4370m(6)(A)) is amended, in the matter preceding clause (i), by inserting ''critical minerals production,'' before ''or any other sector''.

SA 1790. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 48, on line 10, insert '', including optical transmission equipment,'' after ''technology''.

SA 1791. Ms. LUMMIS (for herself, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 63___. ROYALTY RATE ON SODIUM PRODUCED ON FEDERAL LAND.

Notwithstanding section 102(a)(9) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701(a)(9)), section 24 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 262), and the terms of any lease under that Act, beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, the royalty rate on the quantity or gross value of the output of sodium compounds and related products at the point of shipment to market from Federal land shall be 2 percent.

SA 1792. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. PROHIBITION ON WAIVERS OF AGREEMENT ON TRADE-RELATED ASPECTS OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS WITH RESPECT TO COVID–19 VACCINES.

The President may not assent to any waiver of any intellectual property protections under the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights of the World Trade Organization with respect to COVID–19 vaccines.

SA 1793. Mr. DAINES (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a

new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. STUDY RELATING TO CONSEQUENCES AND BENEFITS OF AMENDING THE CFAA.

(a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the heads of other appropriate agencies, shall conduct a study on the consequences and benefits of amending section 1030 of title 18, United States Code (commonly known as the ''Computer Fraud and Abuse Act''), to allow private entities to take proportional actions in response to an unlawful network breach, subject to oversight and regulation by a designated Federal agency.

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall submit a report on the findings of the study conducted under subsection (a), including any recommendations, to Congress.

(2) REQUIRED CONTENTS.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall include recommendations for which Federal agency or agencies may authorize proportional actions by private entities, which entities would be allowed to take such actions and under what circumstances, and what actions would be permissible.

SA 1794. Mr. VAN HOLLEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. HIGH RESEARCH ACTIVITY STATUS HBCUS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) Historically Black Colleges and Universities hold a unique position in our efforts to diversify the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics academic and workforce communities.

(2) Even though our Nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities make up just 3 percent of the colleges and universities in the United States, they graduate 25 percent of African-American students with bachelor's degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields.

(3) Historically Black Colleges and Universities are the institution of origin among almost 30 percent of Black graduates of science and engineering doctorate programs.

(4) Historically Black Colleges and Universities are leaders of our Nation's research and development enterprise, and they are paving the way across sectors, having received over 100 utility patents in 40 years.

(5) A team of computer scientists at Morgan State University are conducting research to automate detection of concepts in biomedical images to reduce the burdens of annotation and interpretation of medical images while providing a decision support system for medical practitioners.

(6) Researchers at Howard University conducted a study across 6 decades to determine the underlying causes of the recent rapid increase in the incidence and diagnosis of hepatocellular carcinoma and liver metastases in Washington, DC, which is disproportionately impacting the Black population.

(7) In 2019, Historically Black Colleges and Universities received $371,000,000, or about 0.8 percent of the $44,500,000,000 in Federal funding to institutions of higher education for research and development.

(8) This number is a marked decrease from fiscal year 2018, when Historically Black Colleges and Universities received $400,000,000 (0.9 percent) in Federal research and development funding.

(9) While there are 11 high research activity status Historically Black Colleges and Universities—Clark Atlanta University, Delaware State University, Florida A&M University, Hampton University, Howard University, Jackson State University, Morgan State University, North Carolina A&T University, Tennessee State University, Texas Southern University, and University of Maryland Eastern Shore—there are no very high research activity status Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

(10) Meaningfully investing in the research capacity of Historically Black Colleges and Universities is an investment in our Nation's future and will help meet the accelerating science, technology, engineering, and mathematics workforce demands in the United States.

(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the program established under this section shall be—

(1) to enable high research activity status Historically Black Colleges and Universities to achieve very high research activity status; and

(2) to increase the national number of African-American undergraduate and graduate students with degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) DIRECTOR.—The term ''Director'' means the Director of the National Science Foundation.

(2) FEDERAL SCIENCE AGENCY.—The term Federal science agency means any Federal agency with an annual extramural research expenditure of over $100,000,000.

(3) HIGH RESEARCH ACTIVITY STATUS.—The term ''high research activity status'' means such status, as classified by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

(4) HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.—The term ''Historically Black College or University'' has the meaning given the term ''part B institution'' under section 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1061).

(5) VERY HIGH RESEARCH ACTIVITY STATUS.—The term ''very high research activity status'' means such status, as classified by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

(d) VERY HIGH RESEARCH ACTIVITY STATUS HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES PROGRAM.—

(1) PROGRAM.—The Director is authorized to establish and carry out a program to make awards to grow high research activity status (R2) Historically Black Colleges or Universities to achieve very high research activity status (R1) while increasing the national number of African American undergraduate, graduate, and post-doctoral students with degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The Director may expand the program to other Historically Black Colleges or Universities beyond those Historically Black Colleges or Universities classified as high research activity status universities if the Director determines that the program can support such an expansion.

(2) GRANTS.—In carrying out the program, the Director shall award grants for scientific research on a competitive, merit-reviewed basis to Historically Black Colleges or Universities that are classified as high research activity status institutions at the time of application for such a grant.

(3) INSTITUTIONAL AWARD LIMITATIONS.—The Director may award not more than $25,000,000 per year for a single institution under this section.

(4) APPLICATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to receive a grant under this section, a Historically Black College or University described in paragraph (2) shall submit an application to the Director at such time, in such manner, and containing such information and assurances as the Director may require.

(B) CONTENTS.—The application described in subparagraph (A) shall include, at a minimum, a description of—

(i) a plan for increasing the level of research activity and achieving very high research activity status classification within 10 years of the grant award, including measurable milestones such as growth in research expenditures, number of research doctoral degrees awarded, number of research-focused faculty, and other relevant factors;

(ii) how the institution of higher education will sustain the increased level of research activity beyond the duration of the award; and

(iii) how the implementation of the proposed plan will be evaluated and assessed.

(5) PROGRAM COMPONENTS.—

(A) STRATEGIC AREAS OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.—Through coordination with Historically Black Colleges or Universities that are eligible to receive a grant under this section, the Director, or the Director's designee, shall establish mechanisms through which applicants can seek funding under this section.

(B) USE OF FUNDS.—An institution that receives a grant under this section shall use the grant funds to support research activities, including—

(i) faculty professional development;

(ii) stipends for graduate and undergraduate students and post-doctoral scholars;

(iii) laboratory equipment and instrumentation; and

(iv) other activities necessary to build research capacity.

(C) RESEARCH ASSESSMENT.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—An institution that submits a proposal for a grant under this section shall submit with their proposal a plan that describes the institution's plan to achieve very high research activity status, including making investments with institutional and non-Federal funds, to achieve that status within a decade of the grant award, to the extent practicable.

(ii) UPDATED PLAN.—An institution that receives a grant under this section shall submit to the Foundation an updated plan described in clause (i), not less than once every 3 years, which shall be based on a self-assessment of progress in achieving very high research activity status.

(D) TRANSITION ELIGIBILITY.—The Director may consider creating pathways for new Historically Black Colleges or Universities to enter into the program under this section as

participating institutions achieve very high research activity status.

(e) REPORT ON IMPROVING THE RESEARCH CAPACITY AT HIGH RESEARCH ACTIVITY HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this division, the National Science and Technology Council shall prepare and submit a report that—

(A) identifies challenges and barriers to Federal research grants for high research activity status Historically Black Colleges or Universities; and

(B) identifies recommendations for Federal science agencies to sustainably boost the research capacity of high research activity status Historically Black Colleges or Universities through grant-making authorities.

(2) REPORT SUBMISSION.—The National Science and Technology Council shall transmit the report to the Director of the National Science Foundation, the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the heads of other such agencies as determined relevant by the National Science and Technology Council.

(3) INFORMATION FROM FEDERAL AGENCIES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The National Science and Technology Council may secure directly from a Federal department or agency such information as the National Science and Technology Council considers necessary to carry out the report under this subsection.

(B) FURNISHING INFORMATION.—Upon a request from the National Science and Technology Council, the head of a Federal department or agency shall furnish such information as is requested to the National Science and Technology Council.

(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Foundation, for awards under this section, $200,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and each year thereafter.

SA 1795. Mr. DURBIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2116 and insert the following:

SEC. 2116. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FOUNDATION.

(a) FISCAL YEAR 2022.—

(1) FOUNDATION.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Foundation $12,269,200,000 for fiscal year 2022.

(2) SPECIFIC NSF ALLOCATIONS.—Of the amount authorized under paragraph (1)—

(A) $10,469,200,000 shall be made available to carry out the activities of the Foundation outside of the Directorate, of which $800,000,000 shall be for STEM education and related activities, including workforce activities under section 2202; and

(B) $1,800,000,000 shall be made available to the Directorate, of which—

(i) $594,000,000 shall be for the innovation centers under section 2104;

(ii) $324,000,000 shall be for scholarships, fellowships, and other activities under section 2106;

(iii) $252,000,000 shall be for academic technology transfer under section 2109;

(iv) $180,000,000 shall be for test beds under section 2108;

(v) $270,000,000 shall be for research and development activities under section 2107; and

(vi) an amount equal to 10 percent of the total made available to the Directorate under this subparagraph shall be transferred to the Foundation for collaboration with directorates and offices of the Foundation outside of the Directorate as described under section 2102(c)(7).

(b) FISCAL YEAR 2023.—

(1) FOUNDATION.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Foundation $14,368,000,000 for fiscal year 2023.

(2) SPECIFIC NSF ALLOCATIONS.—Of the amount authorized under paragraph (1)—

(A) $11,168,000,000 shall be made available to carry out the activities of the Foundation outside of the Directorate, of which $1,190,000,000 shall be for STEM education and related activities, including workforce activities under section 2202; and

(B) $3,200,000,000 shall be made available to the Directorate, of which—

(i) $1,056,000,000 shall be for the innovation centers under section 2104;

(ii) $576,000,000 shall be for scholarships, fellowships, and other activities under section 2106;

(iii) $448,000,000 shall be for academic technology transfer under section 2109;

(iv) $320,000,000 shall be for test beds under section 2108;

(v) $480,000,000 shall be for research and development activities under section 2107; and

(vi) an amount equal to 10 percent of the total made available to the Directorate under this subparagraph shall be transferred to the Foundation for collaboration with directorates and offices of the Foundation outside of the Directorate as described under section 2102(c)(7).

(c) FISCAL YEAR 2024.—

(1) FOUNDATION.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Foundation $18,198,200,000 for fiscal year 2024.

(2) SPECIFIC NSF ALLOCATIONS.—Of the amount authorized under paragraph (1)—

(A) $11,898,200,000 shall be made available to carry out the activities of the Foundation outside of the Directorate, of which $1,600,000,000 shall be for STEM education and related activities, including workforce activities under section 2202; and

(B) $6,300,000,000 shall be made available to the Directorate, of which—

(i) $2,079,000,000 shall be for the innovation centers under section 2104;

(ii) $1,134,000,000 shall be for scholarships, fellowships, and other activities under section 2106;

(iii) $882,000,000 shall be for academic technology transfer under section 2109;

(iv) $630,000,000 shall be for test beds under section 2108;

(v) $945,000,000 shall be for research and development activities under section 2107; and

(vi) an amount equal to 10 percent of the total made available to the Directorate under this subparagraph shall be transferred to the Foundation for collaboration with directorates and offices of the Foundation outside of the Directorate as described under section 2102(c)(7).

(d) FISCAL YEAR 2025.—

(1) FOUNDATION.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Foundation $21,061,900,000 for fiscal year 2025.

(2) SPECIFIC NSF ALLOCATIONS.—Of the amount authorized under paragraph (1)—

(A) $12,661,900,000 shall be made available to carry out the activities of the Foundation outside of the Directorate, of which $2,100,000,000 shall be for STEM education and related activities, including workforce activities under section 2202; and

(B) $8,400,000,000 shall be made available to the Directorate, of which—

(i) $2,772,000,000 shall be for the innovation centers under section 2104;

(ii) $1,512,000,000 shall be for scholarships, fellowships, and other activities under section 2106;

(iii) $1,176,000,000 shall be for academic technology transfer under section 2109;

(iv) $840,000,000 shall be for test beds under section 2108;

(v) $1,260,000,000 shall be for research and development activities under section 2107; and

(vi) an amount equal to 10 percent of the total made available to the Directorate under this subparagraph shall be transferred to the Foundation for collaboration with directorates and offices of the Foundation outside of the Directorate as described under section 2102(c)(7).

(e) FISCAL YEAR 2026.—

(1) FOUNDATION.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Foundation $22,562,520,000 for fiscal year 2026.

(2) SPECIFIC NSF ALLOCATIONS.—Of the amount authorized under paragraph (1)—

(A) $13,262,520,000 shall be made available to carry out the activities of the Foundation outside of the Directorate, of which $2,540,000,000 shall be for STEM education and related activities, including workforce activities under section 2202; and

(B) $9,300,000,000 shall be made available to the Directorate, of which—

(i) $3,069,000,000 shall be for the innovation centers under section 2104;

(ii) $1,674,000,000 shall be for scholarships, fellowships, and other activities under section 2106;

(iii) $1,302,000,000 shall be for academic technology transfer under section 2109;

(iv) $930,000,000 shall be for test beds under section 2108;

(v) $1,395,000,000 shall be for research and development activities under section 2107; and

(vi) an amount equal to 10 percent of the total made available to the Directorate under this subparagraph shall be transferred to the Foundation for collaboration with directorates and offices of the Foundation outside of the Directorate as described under section 2102(c)(7).

(f) ALLOCATION AND LIMITATIONS.—

(1) ALLOCATION FOR THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL.—From any amounts appropriated for the Foundation for a fiscal year, the Director shall allocate for necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General of the Foundation an amount of not less than $33,000,000 in any fiscal year for oversight of the programs and activities funded under this section in accordance with the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

(2) SUPPLEMENT AND NOT SUPPLANT.—The amounts authorized to be appropriated under this section shall supplement, and not supplant, any other amounts previously appropriated to the Office of the Inspector General of the Foundation.

(3) NO NEW AWARDS.—The Director shall not make any new awards for the activities under the Directorate for any fiscal year in which the total amount appropriated to the Foundation (not including amounts appropriated for the Directorate) is less than the total amount appropriated to the Foundation (not including such amounts), adjusted by the rate of inflation, for the previous fiscal year.

(4) NO FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION.—No funds provided to the Directorate under this section shall be used for construction.

SA 1796. Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2214 and insert the following:

SEC. 2214. CRITICAL MINERALS MINING, RECYCLING, AND ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES RESEARCH.

(a) CRITICAL MINERALS MINING, RECYCLING, AND ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AT THE FOUNDATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In order to support supply chain resiliency and reduce the environmental impacts of critical minerals mining, the Director shall issue awards, on a competitive basis, to institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, or National Laboratories (or consortia of such institutions or organizations, including consortia that collaborate with private industry) to support basic research that will accelerate innovation to advance critical minerals mining, recycling, and reclamation strategies and technologies for the purpose of making better use of domestic resources, finding alternative technologies, and eliminating national reliance on minerals and mineral materials that are subject to supply disruptions.

(2) USE OF FUNDS.—Activities funded by an award under this section may include—

(A) advancing mining research and development activities to develop new mapping and mining technologies and techniques, including advanced critical mineral extraction and production, to improve existing or to develop new supply chains of critical minerals, and to yield more efficient, economical, and environmentally benign mining practices;

(B) advancing critical mineral processing research activities to improve separation, alloying, manufacturing, or recycling techniques and technologies that can decrease the energy intensity, waste, potential environmental impact, and costs of those activities;

(C) advancing research and development of critical minerals mining and recycling technologies that take into account the potential end-uses and disposal of critical minerals, in order to improve end-to-end integration of mining and technological applications;

(D) conducting research and development on alternative technologies, such as in battery or energy storage technologies that minimize or do not incorporate critical minerals;

(E) conducting long-term earth observation of reclaimed mine sites, including the study of the evolution of microbial diversity at such sites;

(F) examining the application of artificial intelligence for geological exploration of critical minerals, including what size and diversity of data sets would be required;

(G) examining the application of machine learning for detection and sorting of critical minerals, including what size and diversity of data sets would be required;

(H) conducting detailed isotope studies of critical minerals and the development of more refined geologic models; or

(I) providing training and research opportunities to undergraduate and graduate students to prepare the next generation of mining engineers and researchers.

(b) CRITICAL MINERALS INTERAGENCY SUBCOMMITTEE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In order to support supply chain resiliency, the Critical Minerals Subcommittee of the National Science and Technology Council (referred to in this subsection as the ''Subcommittee'') shall coordinate Federal science and technology efforts to ensure secure and reliable supplies of critical minerals to the United States.

(2) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Subcommittee shall be—

(A) to advise and assist the Committee on Homeland and National Security and the National Science and Technology Council on United States policies, procedures, and plans as it relates to critical minerals, including—

(i) Federal research, development, and deployment efforts to optimize methods for extractions, concentration, separation, and purification of conventional, secondary, and unconventional sources of critical minerals, including research that prioritizes end-to-end integration of mining and recycling techniques and the end-use target for critical minerals;

(ii) efficient use and reuse of critical minerals, including recycling technologies for critical minerals and the reclamation of critical minerals from components such as spent batteries;

(iii) research, development, and deployment of materials and technologies that can be used in place of technologies utilizing critical minerals, such as battery or energy storage technologies that minimize or do not incorporate critical minerals;

(iv) addressing the technology transitions between research or lab-scale mining and recycling and commercialization of these technologies;

(v) the critical minerals workforce of the United States; and

(vi) United States private industry investments in innovation and technology transfer from federally funded science and technology;

(B) to identify emerging opportunities, stimulate international cooperation, and foster the development of secure and reliable supply chains of critical minerals, including activities related to the reclamation of critical minerals via recycling and research and development of alternative technologies;

(C) to ensure the transparency of information and data related to critical minerals; and

(D) to provide recommendations on coordination and collaboration among the research, development, and deployment programs and activities of Federal agencies to promote a secure and reliable supply of critical minerals necessary to maintain national security, economic well-being, and industrial production.

(3) RESPONSIBILITIES.—In carrying out paragraphs (1) and (2), the Subcommittee may, taking into account the findings and recommendations of relevant advisory committees—

(A) provide recommendations on how Federal agencies may improve the topographic, geologic, and geophysical mapping of the United States and improve the discoverability, accessibility, and usability of the resulting and existing data, to the extent permitted by law and subject to appropriate limitation for purposes of privacy and security;

(B) assess the progress toward developing critical minerals recycling and reprocessing technologies, and alternative technologies;

(C) assess the end-to-end lifecycle of critical minerals, including for mining, usage, recycling, and end-use material and technology requirements;

(D) examine options for accessing and developing critical minerals through investment and trade with allies and partners of the United States and provide recommendations;

(E) evaluate and provide recommendations to incentivize the development and use of advances in science and technology in the private industry;

(F) assess the need for and make recommendations to address the challenges the United States critical minerals supply chain workforce faces, including—

(i) aging and retiring personnel and faculty;

(ii) public perceptions about the nature of mining and mineral processing; and

(iii) foreign competition for United States talent;

(G) develop, and update as necessary, a strategic plan to guide Federal programs and activities to enhance—

(i) scientific and technical capabilities across critical mineral supply chains, including a roadmap that identifies key research and development needs and coordinates ongoing activities for source diversification, more efficient use, recycling, and alternative technologies; and

(ii) cross-cutting mining science, data science techniques, materials science, manufacturing science and engineering, computational modeling, and environmental health and safety research and development; and

(H) report to the appropriate committees of Congress on activities and findings under this subsection.

(4) MANDATORY RESPONSIBILITIES.—In carrying out paragraphs (1) and (2), the Subcommittee shall, taking into account the findings and recommendations of the relevant advisory committees, identify and evaluate Federal policies and regulations that restrict the mining of critical minerals.

(c) GRANT PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS .—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Director, the Secretary of the Interior, and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall establish a grant program to finance pilot projects for the development of critical minerals and metals mining, recycling, and alternative technologies research and development in the United States.

(2) LIMITATION ON GRANT AWARDS.—A grant awarded under paragraph (1) may not exceed $10,000,000.

(3) ECONOMIC VIABILITY.—In awarding grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Commerce shall give priority to projects that the Secretary of Commerce determines are likely to be economically viable over the long term.

(4) SECONDARY RECOVERY.—In awarding grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Commerce shall seek to award not less than 30 percent of the total amount of grants awarded during the fiscal year for projects relating to secondary recovery of critical minerals and metals.

(5) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Commerce $100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2024 to carry out the grant program established under paragraph (1).

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES.—The term ''alternative technologies'' means the development of substitute materials that can substantially satisfy the metrics of the end-use application by either significantly minimizing or completely eliminating the need for critical minerals.

(2) CRITICAL MINERAL; CRITICAL MINERAL OR METAL.—The terms ''critical mineral'' and ''critical mineral or metal'' include any host

mineral of a critical mineral (within the meaning of those terms in section 7002 of the Energy Act of 2020 (30 U.S.C. 1606).

(3) END-TO-END.—The term ''end-to-end'', with respect to the integration of mining or life cycle of minerals, means the integrated approach of, or the lifecycle determined by, examining the research and developmental process from the mining of the raw minerals to its processing into useful materials, its integration into components and devices, the utilization of such devices in the end-use application to satisfy certain performance metrics, and the recycling or disposal of such devices.

(4) RECYCLING.—The term ''recycling'' means the process of collecting and processing spent materials and devices and turning them into raw materials or components that can be reused either partially or completely.

(5) SECONDARY RECOVERY.—The term ''secondary recovery'' means the recovery of critical minerals and metals from discarded end-use products or from waste products produced during the metal refining and manufacturing process, including from mine waste piles, acid mine drainage sludge, or byproducts produced through legacy mining and metallurgy activities.

SA 1797. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Ms. HASSAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike subsections (c) and (d) of section 2214 (relating to critical minerals mining research) of division B and insert the following:

(c) GRANT PROGRAM FOR PROCESSING OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND DEVELOPMENT OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Energy, in consultation with the Director, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Commerce, shall establish a grant program to finance pilot projects for—

(A) the processing of critical minerals in the United States; or

(B) the development of critical minerals and metals in the United States.

(2) LIMITATION ON GRANT AWARDS.—A grant awarded under paragraph (1) may not exceed $10,000,000.

(3) ECONOMIC VIABILITY.—In awarding grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Energy shall give priority to projects that the Secretary of Energy determines are likely to be economically viable over the long term.

(4) SECONDARY RECOVERY.—In awarding grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Energy shall seek to award not less than 30 percent of the total amount of grants awarded during the fiscal year for projects relating to secondary recovery of critical minerals and metals.

(5) DOMESTIC PRIORITY.—In awarding grants for the development of critical minerals and metals under paragraph (1)(B), the Secretary of Energy shall prioritize pilot projects that will process the critical minerals and metals domestically.

(6) PROHIBITION ON PROCESSING BY FOREIGN ENTITY OF CONCERN.—In awarding grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Energy shall ensure that pilot projects do not export for processing any critical minerals and metals to a foreign entity of concern (as defined in section 2307(a)).

(7) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Energy $100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2024 to carry out the grant program established under paragraph (1).

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CRITICAL MINERAL.—The term ''critical mineral'' has the meaning given the term in section 7002(a) of the Energy Act of 2020 (30 U.S.C. 1606(a)).

(2) CRITICAL MINERAL AND METAL.—The term ''critical mineral and metal'' includes any host mineral of a critical mineral.

(3) SECONDARY RECOVERY.—The term ''secondary recovery'' means the recovery of critical minerals and metals from discarded end-use products or from waste products produced during the metal refining and manufacturing process, including from mine waste piles, acid mine drainage sludge, or byproducts produced through legacy mining and metallurgy activities.

SA 1798. Ms. WARREN (for herself and Mr. SANDERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title IV of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3409. REPORT ON UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES DUE TO POOR LABOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND PRACTICES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the United States Trade Representative and the Secretary of Commerce, shall publish an unclassified report in the Federal Register that identifies, with respect to the 5 United States trading partners whose labor and environmental policies and practices are most concerning—

(1) unfair competitive advantages provided by a government of a country to companies in such country as a result of poor labor policies and practices, including—

(A) barriers to workers' access to independent unions;

(B) the enablement or toleration of forced labor;

(C) the enablement or toleration of child labor; and

(D) the failure of the Government to enforce labor laws and regulations, including law and regulations regarding minimum wage, safe working conditions, and overtime pay; and

(2) unfair competitive advantages provided by a government of a country to companies in such country as a result of poor environmental policies and practices, including—

(A) low air and water quality and pollution emissions standards;

(B) subsidies for polluting energy sources; and

(C) the failure of the Government to enforce environmental laws and regulations, including prohibitions against the dumping of waste.

(b) CONSULTATION.—In preparing the report required under subsection (a), the Secretary of State, in coordination with the United States Trade Representative and the Secretary of Commerce, may, as necessary and appropriate, consult with—

(1) other Federal agencies;

(2) the private sector; and

(3) civil society organizations.

SA 1799. Ms. HASSAN (for herself and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. VIRTUAL CURRENCIES AND THEIR GLOBAL USE.

(a) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Attorney General, the United States Trade Representative, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, and any other agencies or departments that the Secretary of the Treasury determines are necessary, shall submit to the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on the Judiciary, and Committee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives a report on virtual currency, which shall—

(1) identify and rank the countries that host—

(A) the largest state and private industry generators of virtual currency;

(B) the largest state and private industry users of virtual currency; and

(C) the largest or most active money services businesses that engage in virtual currency transactions;

(2) identify policies adopted by the foreign countries listed in paragraph (3)to develop and protect their domestic virtual currency industry;

(3) identify, to the greatest extent practicable, the types and dollar value of virtual currency mined, as well as an estimate of the amount of energy consumed doing so for each of fiscal years 2016 through 2021 within the United States and globally, as well as within the People's Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the Republic of Cuba, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, the Syrian Arab Republic, and the Russian Federation;

(4) identify vulnerabilities, including those related to security, disruptions, and technology availability, of the global microelectronic supply chain with respect to virtual currency mining operations; and

(5) provide policy and legislative recommendations to address the issues identified in paragraphs (3) and (4).

(b) CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—The report submitted under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

SA 1800. Mr. TILLIS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title II of division E, add the following:

SEC. 5214. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.

Section 721(k)(2) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(k)(2)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraphs (H) through (J) as subparagraphs (I) through (K), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subparagraph (G) the following:

''(H) The Secretary of Agriculture.''.

SA 1801. Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 260, strike lines 11 and 12 and insert the following:

section 2104 of the Endless Frontier Act;

''(J) a cooperative extension; and

''(K) Engineer Research and Development Center laboratories of the Army Corps of Engineers.

SA 1802. Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. SASSE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND NATIONAL SECURITY PROTECTIONS.

(a) COUNTERINTELLIGENCE SCREENING PROCESS.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Director of National Intelligence, the Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center, and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation shall jointly establish a counterintelligence screening process to protect the United States against efforts of China and other foreign entities to engage in economic espionage and to misappropriate United States intellectual property, research and development, and innovation efforts.

(2) FUNCTIONS.—Subject to the joint direction and control of the Director of National Intelligence, the Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center, and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the counterintelligence screening process established under paragraph (1) shall assess and screen all funds provided under this Act (including grants awarded under this Act) for potential national security threats.

(3) FUNDING.—Amounts required to carry out the process established under paragraph (1) shall be derived from amounts appropriated to carry out this Act.

(b) PROTECTIONS.—

(1) CERTIFICATION REQUIRED FOR RECEIPT OF AMOUNTS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, no person may receive any amount (including an amount as part of a grant awarded under this Act) or purchase, lease, or otherwise obtain any intellectual property developed through a grant awarded under this Act, unless the Director of National Intelligence, the Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center, and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation jointly certify that the person has sufficient protections in place to protect against misappropriation of United States intellectual property, research and development, and innovation efforts, and other threats from foreign governments and other entities.

(2) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, no certification may be made under paragraph (1) with respect to a person unless such person discloses to the Director of National Intelligence, the Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center, and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation the following:

(A) Any funding received by the person from a foreign source during the most recent 10-year period.

(B) Any financial or in-kind support received by the person from any entity—

(i) owned or controlled by the Government of the People's Republic of China; or

(ii) in which the Government of the People's Republic of China has an ownership interest.

(C) Any participation of the person in a foreign government talent recruitment program, consistent with section 2303.

SA 1803. Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike paragraph (3) of section 4153(f) and insert the following:

(3) STRATEGIC NATIONAL STOCKPILE.—Section 319F–2(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d–6b(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(6) TRANSFER OF ITEMS.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—During the 6-year period that begins on the date of enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary, in coordination with the Secretary of Homeland Security, may, at appropriate intervals, sell or transfer drugs, vaccines and other biological products, medical devices, or other supplies maintained in the stockpile under paragraph (1) to a Federal agency or private, nonprofit, State, local, tribal, or territorial entity.

''(B) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out subparagraph (A), the Secretary—

''(i) shall, on a regular basis, assess the stock of such equipment and communicate to manufacturers and suppliers of such equipment to the stockpile under paragraph (1) if such assessment indicates that there will be an increased need for such equipment;

''(ii) shall, for any sale or transfer or any such equipment, do so at a competitive and fair price, as determined by the Secretary, taking into account the current market pricing for the applicable equipment and the operational budget for the stockpile;

''(iii) shall, prior to any sale of such equipment in the commercial market, including a sale to a private or nonprofit entity described in subparagraph (A), provide adequate notification to relevant manufacturers, distributors, or other appropriate entities in order to mitigate any commercial disruption from such sale;

''(iv) may enter into a contract or cooperative agreement with an entity that has expertise in supply chain logistics and management, including a group purchasing organization or medical product distributor, to carry out activities described in this paragraph, which may include facilitating timeliness, logistical assistance, appropriate pricing, and to determine appropriate amounts of such equipment; and

''(v) may, for purposes of meeting the goals described in subparagraph (A), and to promote efficient and predictable operations of the stockpile while mitigating the risk of product expiration or shortages, enter into arrangements, through a competitive bidding process, with one or more manufacturers or such products to establish and utilize revolving stockpiles of such products managed and operated by such manufacturer.

''(C) REVOLVING STOCKPILE ARRANGEMENTS.—Under an arrangement described in subparagraph (B)(v)—

''(i) the manufacturer (or a subcontractor or agent of the manufacturer)—

''(I) shall—

''(aa) produce or procure such equipment for the stockpile under paragraph (1);

''(bb) maintain constant supply, possession, and re-stocking capacity of such equipment in such quantities as the Secretary requires for purposes of the stockpile under paragraph (1); and

''(cc) fulfill or support the deployment, distribution, or dispensing functions of the stockpile at the State and local levels, consistent with paragraph (3); and

''(II) may sell or transfer such equipment for the purposes of the manufacturer's existing inventory and commercial contracts; and

''(ii) the Secretary shall pay a management fee, which may include compensation to the manufacturer for such equipment, as appropriate.

''(D) COMPENSATION TO HHS.—In the case of a sale or transfer of such equipment to an entity described in subparagraph (A), the proceeds from the sale shall be transferred to the Secretary and be made available, without further appropriation, until expended, for purposes of procuring such equipment for the stockpile under paragraph (1).''.

SA 1804. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. ROLE OF THE COMMISSIONER AND INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term ''Administrator'' means the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

(2) COMMISSIONER.—The term ''Commissioner'' means the Commissioner of the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission.

(3) NEW RIVER.—The term ''New River'' means the river that starts in Mexicali, Mexico, flows north into the United States through Calexico, passes through the Imperial Valley, and drains into the Salton Sea.

(4) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of State.

(5) TIJUANA RIVER.—The term ''Tijuana River'' means the river that rises in the Sierra de Juarez in Mexico, flows through the City of Tijuana and then north into the United States, passes through the Tijuana River estuary, and drains into the Pacific Ocean.

(b) WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER AUTHORITY.—The Commissioner may study, design, construct, operate, and maintain projects to manage, improve, and protect the quality of wastewater, stormwater runoff, and other untreated flows in the Tijuana River watershed and the New River watershed.

(c) TIJUANA AND NEW RIVER PROJECTS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.—The Secretary, acting through the Commissioner, shall—

(1) construct, operate, and maintain projects that—

(A) are on a priority list developed by the Environmental Protection Agency for projects in the Tijuana River watershed or New River watershed;

(B) are within the United States; and

(C) improve the water quality of the Tijuana River watershed or the New River watershed, as applicable; and

(2) use available funds, including funds received from the Administrator, to construct, operate, and maintain the projects described in paragraph (1).

(d) AGREEMENTS WITH MEXICO.—The Secretary, acting through the Commissioner, may execute an agreement with the appropriate official or officials of the Government of Mexico for—

(1) the joint study and design of stormwater control and water quality projects; and

(2) on approval of the necessary plans and specifications of the projects described in paragraph (1), the construction, operation, and maintenance of those projects by the United States and Mexico, in accordance with the treaty relating to the utilization of the waters of the Colorado and Tijuana Rivers, and of the Rio Grande (Rio Bravo) from Fort Quitman, Texas, to the Gulf of Mexico, and supplementary protocol, signed at Washington February 3, 1944 (59 Stat. 1219), between the United States and Mexico.

(e) SAVINGS PROVISION.—Nothing in this section limits the authority of the International Boundary and Water Commission any other provision of law.

SA 1805. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. UNITED STATES-MEXICO BORDER WATERS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term ''Administrator'' means the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

(2) COMMISSIONER.—The term ''Commissioner'' means the Commissioner of the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission.

(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ''eligible entity'' means the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission, a State, a local government, an Indian Tribe, or a water or wastewater district with jurisdiction over any area in the United States or Mexico that is located within 100 kilometers of the United States-Mexico border.

(4) ELIGIBLE PROJECT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ''eligible project'' means a project for the construction of infrastructure for drinking water treatment or distribution, wastewater management, or stormwater management, including natural and green infrastructure and infrastructure for water reuse and water recycling, that—

(i) addresses an existing human health or ecological issue;

(ii) has an effect in the United States;

(iii) with respect to wastewater management infrastructure the water discharged from which will flow, directly or indirectly, into the United States, is designed to meet, to the maximum extent practicable, all relevant water quality standards of the country in which the project is located, including, for projects located in the United States, any applicable standards established under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.);

(iv) is proposed by an eligible entity with legal authority—

(I) to develop the project;

(II) to provide the proposed drinking water or wastewater services; and

(III) to obtain necessary financing, including operations and maintenance funding;

(v) will comply with relevant State and local environmental and other laws (including regulations), including with respect to—

(I) obtaining any necessary operating permits and licenses; and

(II) complying with any other regulatory requirements related to land acquisition and rights-of-way; and

(vi) has the support of appropriate Mexican Federal and State agencies, including the Comision Nacional de Agua (commonly known as ''CONAGUA'' or the Mexican National Water Commission) and any appropriate State or municipal water utility, if the project is located in Mexico.

(B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term ''eligible project'' does not include a project—

(i) for new water supply;

(ii) that threatens an ecosystem located in the United States, or that is located in both the United States and Mexico, if the project causes a reduction in the flow of water; or

(iii) to provide drinking water, wastewater, or stormwater services to enable new development.

(5) NEW RIVER.—The term ''New River'' means the river that starts in Mexicali, Mexico, flows north into the United States through Calexico, passes through the Imperial Valley, and drains into the Salton Sea.

(6) PROGRAM.—The term ''program'' means the program established under subsection (b)(1).

(7) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of State.

(8) TIJUANA RIVER.—The term ''Tijuana River'' means the river that rises in the Sierra de Juarez in Mexico, flows through the City of Tijuana and then north into the United States, passes through the Tijuana River estuary, and drains into the Pacific Ocean.

(b) UNITED STATES-MEXICO BORDER WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Administrator shall carry out a program to provide assistance to eligible entities for activities related to eligible projects, including feasibility studies, planning studies, environmental assessments, financial analyses, community participation efforts, and architectural, engineering, planning, design, construction, and operations and maintenance activities.

(2) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out the program, the Administrator shall consult with the North American Development Bank.

(3) COORDINATION.—In carrying out the program, the Administrator shall coordinate with Federal, State, local, and Tribal entities in the border region, including the Department of Homeland Security, the International Boundary and Water Commission, and relevant State agencies.

(4) PROJECT SELECTION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—In selecting projects for which to provide assistance under the program, the Administrator shall select projects in accordance with—

(i) subparagraph (B); and

(ii) any other criteria determined appropriate by the Administrator.

(B) PRIORITIZATION.—In carrying out subparagraph (A), the Administrator shall prioritize projects that—

(i) are identified in a plan developed by the Administrator for projects to be carried out in the Tijuana River or New River; or

(ii)(I) are likely to have the greatest positive effects relating to the environment and public health;

(II) will result in benefits on the United States side of the United States-Mexico border;

(III) address the most urgent public health and environmental needs, as determined by the heads of the Regional offices for Regions 6 and 9 of the Environmental Protection Agency; and

(IV) maximize sustainable practices, such as water reuse and water recycling, natural and green infrastructure, water efficiency, and conservation.

(5) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Administrator may establish such terms and conditions on assistance provided under the program as the Administrator determines appropriate.

(6) COST SHARE.—The Administrator may establish a Federal share requirement for any project carried out using any assistance

proved under this section on an individual project basis.

(7) REGIONAL ALLOCATIONS.—The amounts made available to carry out this section shall be made available in equal amounts for use by the Regional offices for Regions 6 and 9 of the Environmental Protection Agency.

(c) ROLE OF THE COMMISSIONER AND INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.—

(1) WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER AUTHORITY.—The Commissioner may study, design, construct, operate, and maintain projects to manage, improve, and protect the quality of wastewater, stormwater runoff, and other untreated flows in the Tijuana River watershed and the New River watershed.

(2) TIJUANA AND NEW RIVER PROJECTS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.—The Secretary, acting through the Commissioner, shall—

(A) construct, operate, and maintain projects that—

(i) are on a priority list developed by the Environmental Protection Agency for projects in the Tijuana River watershed or New River watershed;

(ii) are within the United States; and

(iii) improve the water quality of the Tijuana River watershed or the New River watershed, as applicable; and

(B) use available funds, including funds received under this section, to construct, operate, and maintain the projects described in subparagraph (A).

(3) AGREEMENTS WITH MEXICO.—The Secretary, acting through the Commissioner, may execute an agreement with the appropriate official or officials of the Government of Mexico for—

(A) the joint study and design of stormwater control and water quality projects; and

(B) on approval of the necessary plans and specifications of the projects described in subparagraph (A), the construction, operation, and maintenance of those projects by the United States and Mexico, in accordance with the treaty relating to the utilization of the waters of the Colorado and Tijuana Rivers, and of the Rio Grande (Rio Bravo) from Fort Quitman, Texas, to the Gulf of Mexico, and supplementary protocol, signed at Washington February 3, 1944 (59 Stat. 1219), between the United States and Mexico.

(4) FUNDING.—A project located wholly or partially within Mexico shall be eligible for funding under the program if the project is—

(A) identified under and consistent with the results of the study under paragraph (3)(A); and

(B) approved pursuant to paragraph (3)(B).

(5) SAVINGS PROVISION.—Nothing in this subsection limits the authority of the International Boundary and Water Commission under this section or any other provision of law.

SA 1806. Mrs. FEINSTEIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. INTERNATIONAL ETHICAL STANDARDS IN GENOME EDITING RESEARCH.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of State, in consultation with relevant Federal agencies, should work with other nations and international organizations, including the United Nations and the World Health Organization, to carefully evaluate the distinct medical, ethical, and societal issues raised by the prospect of heritable human genome editing through democratic public discussion, with the goal of forging international consensus, while supporting the medical potential of somatic genome editing.

(b) GAO REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress, and post on a publicly accessible website of the Government Accountability Office, a report containing recommendations for—

(1) achieving widespread societal engagement on heritable human genome editing; and

(2) addressing current gaps in national and international systems for governing activities related to such issue.

SA 1807. Mr. SCHATZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike subsection (a) of section 2104 and insert the following:

(a) UNIVERSITY TECHNOLOGY CENTER PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—From amounts made available to the Directorate, the Director shall establish a program in the Directorate to make awards, through a competitive selection process, to eligible entities to establish university technology centers.

(2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the university technology centers shall be to—

(A) conduct multi-disciplinary, collaborative basic and applied research, relevant to at least one of the key technology focus areas;

(B) leverage the expertise of multi-disciplinary and multi-sector partners, including partners from private industry;

(C) further the development, deployment, and commercialization of innovations, including inventions, in the key technology focus areas, including those derived from the activities of the university technology center;

(D) support the development of scientific, innovation, entrepreneurial, and educational capacity within the region of the university technology center; and

(E) support graduate students and postdoctoral researchers with training and professional mentoring towards their future employment in STEM fields.

(3) USE OF FUNDS.—University technology centers established under this subsection may use support provided—

(A) to carry out research to advance innovation in the key technology focus areas;

(B) for technology development activities such as proof-of-concept development, prototyping, design modification, experimental development, and other actions to reduce the cost, time, and risk of commercializing new technologies;

(C) for the costs of equipment and cyber infrastructure;

(D) for the costs associated with technology transfer and commercialization, including patenting and licensing;

(E) for operations and staff; or

(F) for trainee development pilot programs, as described in paragraph (8).

(4) SELECTION PROCESS.—In selecting recipients under this subsection, the Director shall consider, in addition to the scientific and technical merit of the proposal—

(A) maximizing regional and geographic diversity of the university technology centers, including by considering rural-serving institutions of higher education (as defined in section 861(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1161a(b));

(B) the extent to which the applicant's proposal would broaden participation by populations underrepresented in STEM;

(C) the capacity of the applicant to engage industry, labor, and other appropriate organizations and, where applicable, contribute to growth in domestic manufacturing capacity and job creation;

(D) in the case of a consortium, the extent to which the proposal includes institutions listed in paragraph (7)(C)(ii);

(E) the amount of funds from industry organizations described in paragraph (5)(A)(ii) the applicant would use towards establishing the university technology center;

(F) the plan and capability of the applicant to take measures to prevent the inappropriate use of the research and technology of the center, including research results, data, and intellectual property, as appropriate and consistent with the requirements of the relevant award; and

(G) the plan and capability of the applicant to support proof-of-concept development and prototyping as well as technology transfer and commercialization activities.

(5) REQUIREMENTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall ensure that any eligible entity receiving an award under this subsection has—

(i) the capacity or the ability to acquire the capacity to advance the purposes described in section 2102(b); and

(ii) secured contributions for establishing the university technology center under this subsection from industry or other non-Federal organizations in an amount not less than 10 percent of the total amount of the award the eligible entity would receive under this subsection.

(B) CONSORTIUM ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive an award for the establishment and operation of a university technology center, a consortium shall be composed of not fewer than 2 entities as described in paragraph (7)(C) and operate subject to a binding agreement, entered into by each member of the consortium, that documents—

(i) the proposed partnership agreement, including the governance and management structure of the university technology center;

(ii) measures the consortium will undertake to enable cost-effective implementation of activities under paragraph (3);

(iii) a proposed budget, including financial contributions from non-Federal sources; and

(iv) the plan for ownership and use of any intellectual property developed by the center.

(6) SUPPORT OF REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY HUBS.—Each university technology center established under this subsection may support and participate in, as appropriate, the activities of any regional technology hub designated under section 28 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3701 et seq.), as amended by section 2401 of this Act.

(7) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—In this subsection, the term ''eligible entity'' means—

(A) an individual institution of higher education;

(B) a nonprofit entity; or

(C) a consortium that—

(i) shall include and be led by an institution of higher education or by a nonprofit entity, designed to support technology development;

(ii) shall include 1 or more institution that is—

(I) a historically Black college or university;

(II) a Tribal College or University;

(III) a minority-serving institution (or an institution of higher education with an established STEM capacity building program focused on traditionally underrepresented populations in STEM, including Native Hawaiians, Alaska Natives, and other Indians);

(IV) an institution that participates in the Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research under section 113 of the National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. 1862g);

(V) an emerging research institution; or

(VI) a community college; and

(iii) may include 1 or more—

(I) additional entities described in subparagraph (A) or (B);

(II) industry entities, including startups, small businesses, and public private partnerships;

(III) economic development organizations or venture development organizations, as such terms are defined in section 28(a) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 13701 et seq.), as amended by section 2401 of this Act;

(IV) National Laboratories;

(V) Federal laboratories, as defined in section 4 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3703);

(VI) Federal research facilities;

(VII) labor organizations;

(VIII) entities described in subparagraph (A) or (B) from allied or partner countries;

(IX) other entities if determined by the Director to be vital to the success of the program; and

(X) binational research and development foundations and funds, excluding foreign entities of concern, as defined in section 2307.

(8) TRAINEE DEVELOPMENT PILOT PROGRAM.—

(A) ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT PROGRAM.—At not more than 3 university technology centers that are consortia under paragraph (7)(C), the Director may include support for trainee development under the leadership of a member of the consortium that is an institution described under paragraph (7)(C)(ii). Such programs shall be selected to ensure geographical diversity and service to populations underrepresented in STEM fields, and shall perform the following activities:

(i) Training and technical assistance for graduate students and postdoctoral researchers on—

(I) researching and assessing available grant and fellowship opportunities;

(II) preparing and submitting grants and fellowship applications that leverage their research and experience; and

(III) administering grant funding, and leveraging grants and fellowships into longer term employment opportunities.

(ii) Establishing professional mentoring networks that include Federal, State, local, and Tribal government agencies and the private sector, as well as members of the regional technology hubs established under section 28(b)(1)(A) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (Public Law 96–480; 15 U.S.C. 3701 et seq.).

(iii) Other support determined to be necessary or advisable by the Director to achieve the purposes of this title.

(B) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Foundation shall assess the impacts of the trainee development programs established under this paragraph and report its findings to Congress. Such assessment shall include perspectives from participating graduate students and postdoctoral researchers.

SA 1808. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title III of division F, insert the following:

SECTION 63___. PROPERTY INTERESTS RELATING TO CERTAIN PROJECTS AND PROTECTION OF INFORMATION RELATING TO CERTAIN AGREEMENTS.

(a) PROPERTY INTERESTS RELATING TO FEDERALLY FUNDED ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR PROJECTS.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(A) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR.—The term ''advanced nuclear reactor'' has the meaning given the term in section 951(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16271(b)).

(B) DEPARTMENT.—The term ''Department'' means the Department of Energy.

(C) PROPERTY INTEREST.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), the term ''property interest'' means any interest in real property or personal property (as those terms are defined in section 200.1 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment of this Act)).

(ii) EXCLUSION.—The term ''property interest'' does not include any interest in intellectual property developed using funding provided under a project described in paragraph (3).

(D) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Energy.

(2) ASSIGNMENT OF PROPERTY INTERESTS.—The Secretary may assign to any entity, including the United States, fee title or any other property interest acquired by the Secretary under an agreement entered into with respect to a project described in paragraph (3).

(3) PROJECT DESCRIBED.—A project referred to in paragraph (2) is—

(A) a project for which funding is provided pursuant to the funding opportunity announcement of the Department numbered DE–FOA–0002271, including any project for which funding has been provided pursuant to that announcement as of the date of enactment of this Act;

(B) any other project for which funding is provided using amounts made available for the Advanced Reactor Demonstration Program of the Department under the heading ''NUCLEAR ENERGY'' under the heading ''ENERGY PROGRAMS'' in title III of division C of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94; 133 Stat. 2670);

(C) any other project for which Federal funding is provided under the Advanced Reactor Demonstration Program of the Department; or

(D) a project—

(i) relating to advanced nuclear reactors; and

(ii) for which Federal funding is provided under a program that is similar to, or a successor of, the Advanced Reactor Demonstration Program of the Department.

(4) RETROACTIVE VESTING.—The vesting of fee title or any other property interest assigned under paragraph (2) shall be retroactive to the date on which the applicable project first received Federal funding as described in any of subparagraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (3).

(b) CONSIDERATIONS IN COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 12(c)(7)(B) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3710a(c)(7)(B)) is amended—

(A) by inserting ''(i)'' after ''(B)'';

(B) in clause (i), as so designated, by striking ''The director'' and inserting ''Subject to clause (ii), the director''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(II) The agency may authorize the director to provide appropriate protections against dissemination described in clause (i) for a total period of not more than 30 years if the agency determines that the nature of the information protected against dissemination, including nuclear technology, could reasonably require an extended period of that protection to reach commercialization.''.

(2) APPLICABILITY.—

(A) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term ''cooperative research and development agreement'' has the meaning given the term in section 12(d) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3710a(d)).

(B) RETROACTIVE EFFECT.—Clause (ii) of section 12(c)(7)(B) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3710a(c)(7)(B)), as added by subsection (a) of this section, shall apply with respect to any cooperative research and development agreement that is in effect as of the day before the date of enactment of this Act.

(c) DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY CONTRACTS.—Section 646(g)(5) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7256(g)(5)) is amended—

(1) by striking ''(5) The Secretary'' and inserting the following:

''(5) PROTECTION FROM DISCLOSURE.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary''; and

(2) in subparagraph (A) (as so designated)—

(A) by striking '', for up to 5 years after the date on which the information is developed,''; and

(B) by striking ''agency.'' and inserting the following: ''agency—

''(i) for up to 5 years after the date on which the information is developed; or

''(ii) for up to 30 years after the date on which the information is developed, if the Secretary determines that the nature of the technology under the transaction, including nuclear technology, could reasonably require an extended period of protection from disclosure to reach commercialization.

''(B) EXTENSION DURING TERM.—The Secretary may extend the period of protection from disclosure during the term of any transaction described in subparagraph (A) in accordance with that subparagraph.''.

SA 1809. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. BARRASSO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a

strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title V of division B, insert the following:

SEC. 25___. UNIVERSITY INFRASTRUCTURE REVITALIZATION PROGRAM.

(a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

(1) to upgrade and expand nuclear research capabilities of universities in the United States to meet the research requirements of advanced nuclear energy systems;

(2) to establish regional nuclear innovation hubs and university-led consortia to support innovation in nuclear science and engineering and related disciplines; and

(3) to ensure the continued operation of university research reactors.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR.—The term ''advanced nuclear reactor'' has the meaning given the term in section 951(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16271(b)).

(2) EPSCoR UNIVERSITY.—The term ''EPSCoR university'' means an institution of higher education that participates in the Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research Federal-State partnership program designed to enhance the capabilities of universities to conduct sustainable and nationally competitive energy-related research administered by the Department of Energy.

(3) HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.—The term ''historically Black college or university'' has the meaning given the term ''part B institution'' in section 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1061).

(4) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term ''institution of higher education'' has the meaning given the term in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a)).

(5) MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term ''minority-serving institution'' has the meaning given the term ''minority institution'' in section 365 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067k).

(6) NATIONAL LABORATORY.—The term ''National Laboratory'' has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801).

(7) PROGRAM.—The term ''program'' means the University Infrastructure Revitalization Program established under subsection (c).

(8) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Energy.

(c) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall establish a program, to be known as the ''University Infrastructure Revitalization Program'', to promote collaborations, partnerships, and knowledge sharing between institutions of higher education, including EPSCoR universities, historically Black colleges and universities, and minority-serving institutions, National Laboratories, industry, and associated labor unions with the mission to revitalize and upgrade existing nuclear science and engineering infrastructure and develop new capabilities and expertise to support the development of advanced nuclear reactor technologies and applications.

(d) CONSORTIA.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the program, the Secretary shall establish university-led consortia comprised of institutions of higher education, including EPSCoR universities, historically Black colleges and universities, and minority-serving institutions, National Laboratories, industry, and associated labor unions to enhance university-based nuclear science and engineering infrastructure.

(2) ACTIVITIES.—The Secretary shall competitively award to consortia established under paragraph (1) awards—

(A) to enhance existing capabilities and establish new capabilities and expertise;

(B) to provide project management services and support, technical support, quality engineering and inspections, and nuclear material support to—

(i) existing university nuclear science and engineering programs in the United States as of the date of enactment of this Act;

(ii) the 25 existing research reactors at universities in the United States as of the date of enactment of this Act; and

(iii) new and emerging nuclear science and engineering programs at institutions of higher education, including—

(I) EPSCoR universities;

(II) historically Black colleges and universities; and

(III) minority-serving institutions.

(e) FUNDING.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, out of any amounts appropriated pursuant to section 2117(a), there shall be made available to the Secretary to carry out this section $50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026.

SA 1810. Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. CORNYN, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY ORDER FOR FENTANYL-RELATED SUBSTANCES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2 of the Temporary Reauthorization and Study of the Emergency Scheduling of Fentanyl Analogues Act (Public Law 116–114; 134 Stat. 103) is amended by striking ''October 22, 2021'' and inserting ''December 16, 2022''.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect as if enacted as part of the Temporary Reauthorization and Study of the Emergency Scheduling of Fentanyl Analogues Act (Public Law 116–114; 134 Stat. 103).

SA 1811. Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2214 and insert the following:

SEC. 2214. CRITICAL MINERALS MINING, RECYCLING, AND ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES RESEARCH.

(a) CRITICAL MINERALS MINING, RECYCLING, AND ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AT THE FOUNDATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In order to support supply chain resiliency and reduce the environmental impacts of critical minerals mining, the Director shall issue awards, on a competitive basis, to institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, or National Laboratories (or consortia of such institutions or organizations, including consortia that collaborate with private industry) to support basic research that will accelerate innovation to advance critical minerals mining, recycling, and reclamation strategies and technologies for the purpose of making better use of domestic resources, finding alternative technologies, and eliminating national reliance on minerals and mineral materials that are subject to supply disruptions.

(2) USE OF FUNDS.—Activities funded by an award under this section may include—

(A) advancing mining research and development activities to develop new mapping and mining technologies and techniques, including advanced critical mineral extraction and production, to improve existing or to develop new supply chains of critical minerals, and to yield more efficient, economical, and environmentally benign mining practices;

(B) advancing critical mineral processing research activities to improve separation, alloying, manufacturing, or recycling techniques and technologies that can decrease the energy intensity, waste, potential environmental impact, and costs of those activities;

(C) advancing research and development of critical minerals mining and recycling technologies that take into account the potential end-uses and disposal of critical minerals, in order to improve end-to-end integration of mining and technological applications;

(D) conducting research and development on alternative technologies, such as in battery or energy storage technologies that minimize or do not incorporate critical minerals;

(E) conducting long-term earth observation of reclaimed mine sites, including the study of the evolution of microbial diversity at such sites;

(F) examining the application of artificial intelligence for geological exploration of critical minerals, including what size and diversity of data sets would be required;

(G) examining the application of machine learning for detection and sorting of critical minerals, including what size and diversity of data sets would be required;

(H) conducting detailed isotope studies of critical minerals and the development of more refined geologic models; or

(I) providing training and research opportunities to undergraduate and graduate students to prepare the next generation of mining engineers and researchers.

(b) CRITICAL MINERALS INTERAGENCY SUBCOMMITTEE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In order to support supply chain resiliency, the Critical Minerals Subcommittee of the National Science and Technology Council (referred to in this subsection as the ''Subcommittee'') shall coordinate Federal science and technology efforts to ensure secure and reliable supplies of critical minerals to the United States.

(2) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Subcommittee shall be—

(A) to advise and assist the Committee on Homeland and National Security and the National Science and Technology Council on United States policies, procedures, and plans as it relates to critical minerals, including—

(i) Federal research, development, and deployment efforts to optimize methods for extractions, concentration, separation, and purification of conventional, secondary, and unconventional sources of critical minerals, including research that prioritizes end-to-end integration of mining and recycling techniques and the end-use target for critical minerals;

(ii) efficient use and reuse of critical minerals, including recycling technologies for critical minerals and the reclamation of critical minerals from components such as spent batteries;

(iii) research, development, and deployment of materials and technologies that can be used in place of technologies utilizing critical minerals, such as battery or energy storage technologies that minimize or do not incorporate critical minerals;

(iv) addressing the technology transitions between research or lab-scale mining and recycling and commercialization of these technologies;

(v) the critical minerals workforce of the United States; and

(vi) United States private industry investments in innovation and technology transfer from federally funded science and technology;

(B) to identify emerging opportunities, stimulate international cooperation, and foster the development of secure and reliable supply chains of critical minerals, including activities related to the reclamation of critical minerals via recycling and research and development of alternative technologies;

(C) to ensure the transparency of information and data related to critical minerals; and

(D) to provide recommendations on coordination and collaboration among the research, development, and deployment programs and activities of Federal agencies to promote a secure and reliable supply of critical minerals necessary to maintain national security, economic well-being, and industrial production.

(3) RESPONSIBILITIES.—In carrying out paragraphs (1) and (2), the Subcommittee may, taking into account the findings and recommendations of relevant advisory committees—

(A) provide recommendations on how Federal agencies may improve the topographic, geologic, and geophysical mapping of the United States and improve the discoverability, accessibility, and usability of the resulting and existing data, to the extent permitted by law and subject to appropriate limitation for purposes of privacy and security;

(B) assess the progress toward developing critical minerals recycling and reprocessing technologies, and alternative technologies;

(C) assess the end-to-end lifecycle of critical minerals, including for mining, usage, recycling, and end-use material and technology requirements;

(D) examine options for accessing and developing critical minerals through investment and trade with allies and partners of the United States and provide recommendations;

(E) evaluate and provide recommendations to incentivize the development and use of advances in science and technology in the private industry;

(F) assess the need for and make recommendations to address the challenges the United States critical minerals supply chain workforce faces, including—

(i) aging and retiring personnel and faculty;

(ii) public perceptions about the nature of mining and mineral processing; and

(iii) foreign competition for United States talent;

(G) develop, and update as necessary, a strategic plan to guide Federal programs and activities to enhance—

(i) scientific and technical capabilities across critical mineral supply chains, including a roadmap that identifies key research and development needs and coordinates ongoing activities for source diversification, more efficient use, recycling, and alternative technologies; and

(ii) cross-cutting mining science, data science techniques, materials science, manufacturing science and engineering, computational modeling, and environmental health and safety research and development; and

(H) report to the appropriate committees of Congress on activities and findings under this subsection.

(4) MANDATORY RESPONSIBILITIES.—In carrying out paragraphs (1) and (2), the Subcommittee shall, taking into account the findings and recommendations of the relevant advisory committees, identify and evaluate Federal policies and regulations that restrict the mining of critical minerals.

(c) GRANT PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS .—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Director, the Secretary of the Interior, and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall establish a grant program to finance pilot projects for the development of critical minerals and metals mining, recycling, and alternative technologies research and development in the United States.

(2) LIMITATION ON GRANT AWARDS.—A grant awarded under paragraph (1) may not exceed $10,000,000.

(3) ECONOMIC VIABILITY.—In awarding grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Commerce shall give priority to projects that the Secretary of Commerce determines are likely to be economically viable over the long term.

(4) SECONDARY RECOVERY.—In awarding grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Commerce shall seek to award not less than 30 percent of the total amount of grants awarded during the fiscal year for projects relating to secondary recovery of critical minerals and metals.

(5) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Commerce $100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2024 to carry out the grant program established under paragraph (1).

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES.—The term ''alternative technologies'' means the development of substitute materials that can substantially satisfy the metrics of the end-use application by either significantly minimizing or completely eliminating the need for critical minerals.

(2) CRITICAL MINERAL; CRITICAL MINERAL OR METAL.—The terms ''critical mineral'' and ''critical mineral or metal'' include any host mineral of a critical mineral (within the meaning of those terms in section 7002 of the Energy Act of 2020 (30 U.S.C. 1606).

(3) END-TO-END.—The term ''end-to-end'', with respect to the integration of mining or life cycle of minerals, means the integrated approach of, or the lifecycle determined by, examining the research and developmental process from the mining of the raw minerals to its processing into useful materials, its integration into components and devices, the utilization of such devices in the end-use application to satisfy certain performance metrics, and the recycling or disposal of such devices.

(4) RECYCLING.—The term ''recycling'' means the process of collecting and processing spent materials and devices and turning them into raw materials or components that can be reused either partially or completely.

(5) SECONDARY RECOVERY.—The term ''secondary recovery'' means the recovery of critical minerals and metals from discarded end-use products or from waste products produced during the metal refining and manufacturing process, including from mine waste piles, acid mine drainage sludge, or byproducts produced through legacy mining and metallurgy activities.

SA 1812. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1146, beginning on line 20, strike ''United States; and'' and all that follows through ''(2) be for'' on line 21 and insert the following: ''United States;

(2) ensure the retention of jobs at manufacturing facilities that have been active in the production of personal protective equipment within the year preceding the date of the enactment of this Act; and

(3) be for

SA 1813. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division A, insert the following:

SEC. 1004. TAXPAYER PROTECTIONS.

The head of the relevant Federal agency or department may receive warrants, options, preferred stock, debt securities, notes, or other financial instruments issued by recipients of financial assistance made available under section 1002 or 1003, which, in the sole determination of the head of the Federal agency or department, provide appropriate compensation to the Federal Government for the provision of the financial assistance.

SA 1814. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 347, strike lines 2 and 3 and insert the following:

economy of the United States.'';

(2) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the following:

''(6) TAXPAYER PROTECTIONS.—The Secretary may receive warrants, options, preferred stock, debt securities, notes, or other financial instruments issued by covered entities that receive a financial assistance award under this subsection which, in the sole determination of the Secretary, provide appropriate compensation to the Federal Government for the provision of the financial assistance award.''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

SA 1815. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title I of division D, add the following:

SEC. 1. PROHIBITION ON PROCUREMENT OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURED IN CHINA.

No Federal funds may be used to procure personal protective equipment manufactured in the People's Republic of China or in any facility owned or controlled by the Chinese Communist Party.

SA 1816. Mr. KELLY (for himself and Ms. SINEMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO NATIONAL NETWORK FOR MICROELECTRONICS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.

Section 9903(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), in the matter before subparagraph (A), by striking ''may'' and inserting ''shall''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

''(3) STRUCTURE.—(A) In carrying out paragraph (1), the Secretary shall, through a competitive process, select—

''(i) three eligible entities to carry out the core activities described in paragraph (2) as part of the network established under paragraph (1);

''(ii) up to ten eligible entities to carry out the hub activities described in paragraph (2) as part of the network established under paragraph (1);

''(iii) an eligible entity—

''(I) to conduct the competition for selecting the core activities and the hub activities; and

''(II) establishing and managing the network established under paragraph (1).

''(B) The Secretary shall ensure that the eligible entities selected under subparagraph (A) collectively represent the geographic diversity of the United States.

''(C) The Secretary shall ensure that each eligible entity selected under subparagraph (A) leads a distinct area of research determined by the Secretary.

''(D) In carrying out activities described in paragraph (2) as part of the network established under paragraph (1), an eligible entity selected under subparagraph (A) may award a subcontract to an additional entity to carry out work on behalf of the eligible entity.

''(E)(i) In this paragraph—

''(I) a core activity is an activity that is capable of producing 300 millimeter silicon wafers to enable direct technology transfer to domestic state of the art fabricators of silicon wafers; and

''(II) a hub activity is an activity specialized in one or more microelectronics innovation areas and is capable of producing 200 millimeter silicon wafers to enable technology transfer to a core activity.

''(ii) For purposes of this paragraph, both core activities and hub activities are activities that support the maturation and transfer of leap ahead, new computing concepts, devices and materials, and beyond approaches, in effect as of the date of the enactment of this paragraph, for the complementary-symmetry metal-oxide-semiconductor (CMOS) fabrication process.

''(4) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—(A) For purposes of clauses (i) and (ii) of paragraph (3)(A), an eligible entity is—

''(i) an institution of higher education (as defined in section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)); or

''(ii) a consortium led by an institution of higher education (as so defined) and one or more nonprofit or not-for-profit research institutions, operators of a federally funded research and development center, or for-profit entities.

''(B) For purposes of paragraph (3)(A)(iii), an eligible entity is a suitably qualified nonprofit or governmental organization.

''(5) PRIORITY.—In selecting eligible entities under paragraph (3)(A), the Secretary shall give priority to eligible entities that are located in close proximity to existing semiconductor manufacturing and research and development entities.''.

SA 1817. Mr. BURR (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. UNITED STATES EMERGENCY PLAN FOR COVID-19 VACCINES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall, as appropriate, provide assistance to prevent, mitigate, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic through the purchase and delivery of vaccines to regions or countries affected by, or at risk of, COVID-19. The Secretary—

(1) may provide such assistance through existing bilateral or multilateral agreements;

(2) shall maximize public-private partnerships in the purchase and delivery of such vaccines; and

(3) shall furnish such assistance, consistent with subsection (b) and on such terms as the Secretary may determine, to support global health security and to prevent and mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—As a condition of receipt of vaccines provided for under this section, a country shall commit to uphold intellectual property protections related to COVID-19 vaccines under the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights of the World Trade Organization.

(c) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary of State shall, as appropriate, consult with the Secretary of Health and Human Services in carrying out this section.

(d) CLARIFICATION.—The United States Trade Representative shall not approve any measure to waive provisions of the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights protecting intellectual property rights related to COVID-19 vaccines provided under this section.

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, $25,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2021, to remain available until September 30, 2024.

SA 1818. Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. CARPER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. BRIEFING ON REPORT RELATED TO PROCESS FOR EXCLUDING ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA FROM CERTAIN DUTIES IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 301 OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974.

Not later than 90 days after the publication by the Comptroller General of the United States of the report requested by Congress on July 16, 2019, for an audit into the process by which the United States Trade Representative has excluded articles imported from the People's Republic of China from certain duties imposed under section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2411), the Trade Representative, or a designee of the Trade Representative, shall brief the Committee on Finance of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives on the manner in which the Trade Representative is responding to the findings contained in that report.

SA 1819. Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. BURR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a

new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. REAUTHORIZATION OF TROPICAL FOREST AND CORAL REEF CONSERVATION ACT OF 1998.

Section 806(d) of the Tropical Forest and Coral Reef Conservation Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 2431d(d)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

''(9) $20,000,000 for fiscal year 2022.

''(10) $20,000,000 for fiscal year 2023.

''(11) $20,000,000 for fiscal year 2024.

''(12) $20,000,000 for fiscal year 2025.

''(13) $20,000,000 for fiscal year 2026.''.

SA 1820. Mr. MARSHALL (for himself and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

SEC. 5___. ESTABLISHMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE OUTBREAK OF THE CORONAVIRUS IN CHINA.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEE.—There is established a select investigative committee of the Senate, to be known as the Select Committee on the Outbreak of the Coronavirus in China (referred to in this Act as the ''select committee''), to investigate the outbreak of the COVID–19 virus in or around Wuhan, China.

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—

(1) COMPOSITION.—The select committee shall be composed of not more than 12 Senators, of whom 6 shall be appointed by the Majority Leader and 6 shall be appointed by the Minority Leader.

(2) CHAIRPERSON; VICE-CHAIRPERSON.—The Majority Leader shall designate 1 member of the select committee as the chairperson of the select committee, and the Minority Leader shall designate 1 member of the select committee as the vice-chairperson of the select committee.

(3) EXEMPTION.—For purposes of paragraph 4 of rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, service of a Senator as a member or chairperson of the select committee shall not be taken into account.

(4) VACANCIES.—Any vacancy in the select committee shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(c) INVESTIGATION AND REPORT.—

(1) INVESTIGATION.—The select committee shall conduct a full and complete investigation and study regarding—

(A) identification of the source of the COVID–19 virus and the route of human-to-human transmission beginning in or around Wuhan, China;

(B) secret research and gain-of-function zoonic research at the Wuhan Institute of Virology (referred to in this section as ''WIV'');

(C) training operations and safety standards at the WIV;

(D) cases of researchers at the WIV laboratory becoming sick or demonstrating COVID–19-like symptoms in 2019 or 2020;

(E) cables and other communications from 2017 to 2021 from employees of the Department of State, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the Department of Health and Human Services regarding activities and research at the WIV;

(F) response from officials of the Department of State and National Security Council in Washington, DC to the cables and other communications described in subparagraph (E);

(G) funding distributed to the WIV by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the National Institutes of Health, and institutions of higher education of the United States;

(H) funding of gain-of-function research by the National Institutes of Health and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases during the 2014–2017 moratorium on such research;

(I) research and possible leaks from the Wuhan Center for Disease Control;

(J) information regarding efforts by the Chinese Communist Party to silence journalists and doctors, destroy samples of the COVID–19 virus, and block United States and other foreign investigators, including investigations surrounding the Chinese Communist Party's misinformation campaign through social media, traditional news outlets, and other propaganda outlets;

(K) the origination of claims that the pandemic spread from a seafood market in Wuhan, China and the closure and sanitation of the market;

(L) actions taken by the World Health Organization, including actions taken by Director-General Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus and other World Health Organization officials, to spread Chinese misinformation and the failure of the World Health Organization to meet the Organization's charter to prevent the international spread of disease; and

(M) the impact of failing to shut down travel in and out of Wuhan, China, the Hubei province, and greater China.

(2) REPORTS.—The select committee—

(A) shall issue a final report to the Senate of its findings from the investigation and study described in paragraph (1) by not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act; and

(B) may issue to the Senate such interim reports as the select committee determines necessary.

(d) AUTHORITIES AND POWERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—For the purposes of this section, the select committee is authorized in its discretion—

(A) to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction;

(B) to make expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate;

(C) to employ personnel;

(D) to hold hearings;

(E) to sit and act at any time or place during the sessions, recesses, and adjourned periods of the Senate;

(F) to require, by subpoena or otherwise, the attendance of witnesses and the production of correspondence, books, papers, and documents;

(G) to take depositions and other testimony;

(H) to procure the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof, in accordance with section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i)); and

(I) with the prior consent of the government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration, to use on a reimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

(2) OATHS.—The chairperson of the select committee or any member thereof may administer oaths to witnesses.

(3) SUBPOENAS.—A subpoena authorized by the select committee—

(A) may be issued under the signature of the chairperson, the vice-chairperson, or any member of the select committee designated by the chairperson; and

(B) may be served by any person designated by the chairperson, the vice-chairperson, or other member signing the subpoena.

(4) COMMITTEE RULES.—The select committee shall adopt rules (not inconsistent with the rules of the Senate and in accordance with rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate) governing the procedure of the select committee, which shall include addressing how often the select committee shall meet, meeting times and location, type of notifications, notices of hearings, duration of the select committee, and records of the select committee after committee activities are complete.

(e) TERMINATION.—The select committee shall terminate on the day after the date the report required under subsection (c)(2)(A) is submitted.

(f) EXERCISE OF RULEMAKING POWER.—This section is enacted by Congress—

(1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the Senate, and as such it shall be part of the rules of the Senate and supersede other rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent with such other rules; and

(2) with full recognition of the constitutional right of the Senate to change the rules (insofar as they refer to the Senate) at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of the Senate.

SA 1821. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title II of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3219L. SPECIAL ENVOY FOR UNITED NATIONS INTEGRITY.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There shall be a Special Envoy for United Nations Integrity, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall report to the Secretary of State.

(b) RANK.—The Special Envoy shall have the rank and status of ambassador.

(c) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Special Envoy shall—

(1) focus on evaluating and countering malign activities in the United Nations system;

(2) coordinate interagency and multilateral response; and

(3) assist the Secretary of State in preparing the report required under section 3219M.

SEC. 3219M. REPORT ON ACTIONS BY CHINA TO SUBVERT THE PRINCIPLES AND PURPOSES OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,

the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Special Envoy for United Nations Integrity, shall submit to Congress a report on actions by the Government of the People's Republic of China and its subordinate agencies in the United Nations to subvert the principles and purposes of the United Nations.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include the following elements:

(1) A description of China's actions violating United Nations treaties to which it is a party.

(2) A description of China's actions to influence the votes of United Nations members, including through coercive means.

(3) A description of China's actions to nominate or support candidates for United Nations leadership positions that do not adhere to United Nations standards for impartiality or are subject to the influence of the Government of the People's Republic of China.

(4) A description of actions by nationals of the People's Republic of China and others currently holding United Nations leadership positions that appear to support the interests of the Government of the People's Republic of China in violation of United Nations impartiality standards.

(5) A description of actions by nationals of the People's Republic of China serving in functional positions in United Nations organizations impacting hiring practices, internal policies, and other functions that appear to support the interests of the Government of the People's Republic of China in violation of United Nations impartiality standards.

(6) A description of actions by military and support personnel of the People's Republic of China engaged in United Nations peacekeeping operations that are inconsistent with the principles governing these missions, including China's deployment of these personnel to protect its economic interests and improve the power projection capabilities of the People's Liberation Army.

(7) A description of the number and positions of United States personnel employed by the United Nations and its agencies.

SA 1822. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 3302, add the following:

(c) TRANSITION RULE.—

(1) INTERIM REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall submit to the committees specified in section 6(a)(1) of the Uyghur Human Rights Policy Act of 2020 a report that identifies each foreign person, including any official of the Government of the People's Republic of China, that the President determines is responsible for serious human rights abuses in connection with forced labor using Uyghurs, ethnic Kazakhs, Kyrgyz, or members of other Muslim minority groups, or other persons in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region.

(2) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—The President shall impose sanctions under subsection (c) of section 6 of the Uyghur Human Rights Policy Act of 2020 with respect to each foreign person identified in the report required by paragraph (1), subject to the provisions of subsections (d), (e), (f), and (g) of that section.

SA 1823. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title II of division E, add the following:

SEC. 5214. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON COMMERCIAL EXPORT OF CERTAIN COVERED MUNITIONS ITEMS TO HONG KONG POLICE FORCE.

Section 3 of the Act entitled ''An Act to prohibit the commercial export of covered munitions and crime control items to the Hong Kong Police Force'', approved November 27, 2019 (Public Law 116–77; 133 Stat. 1173), as amended by section 1252 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283), is further amended by striking ''December 31, 2021'' and inserting ''the date on which the Secretary of State submits to Congress under section 205 of the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 (22 U.S.C. 5725) a certification that indicates that Hong Kong continues to warrant treatment under United States law in the same manner as United States laws were applied to Hong Kong before July 1, 1997''.

SA 1824. Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. LUJAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division F, add the following:

TITLE IV—DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAM TO SUPPORT PARTNERSHIPS FOR HBCU/MSI/TCU-DESIGNATED INSTITUTIONS

SEC. 6401. FINDINGS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) Strengthening the United States research enterprise is critical to our Nation's leadership in science and technology.

(2) Promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion in the federally funded research pipeline is essential to ensuring the development of scientific breakthroughs that benefit every person of the United States.

(3) Partnerships between institutions of higher education with the highest levels of research activity and institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges and universities, Tribal Colleges or Universities, or other minority-serving institutions that are committed to the recruitment, retention, and advancement of historically underrepresented populations benefit the United States at large.

(4) The STEM workforce drives forward the United States economy and our global competitiveness.

(5) Federal funding for initiatives that support the development of a diverse research workforce pipeline across institutions of higher education are in the best interest of the United States research enterprise.

(6) Congress believes that Federal science agencies should provide funding to foster collaboration between institutions of higher education to promote a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive research workforce and enterprise.

SEC. 6402. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this title is to provide funding to Federal science agencies for distribution to eligible partnerships that commit resources to collaboration and cooperation with institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges or universities, Tribal Colleges or Universities, Hispanic-serving institutions, or other minority-serving institutions, including—

(1) programs that help enroll alumni from institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges or universities, Tribal Colleges or Universities, or other minority-serving institutions in postgraduate programs leading to mater or doctoral degrees in STEM disciplines at partner institutions of higher education with the highest levels of research activity;

(2) summer research internship support grants at partner institutions of higher education with the highest levels of research activity;

(3) research projects that include students at institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges and universities, Tribal Colleges and Universities, or other minority-serving institutions, and at institutions of higher education with the highest levels of research activity;

(4) research projects that advance inclusion of students at institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges or universities, Tribal Colleges or Universities, or other minority-serving institutions, within institutions with the highest levels of research activity; and

(5) competitive grant awards to enhance and expand pathways to the professoriate for underrepresented students.

SEC. 6403. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) ASIAN AMERICAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term ''Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander–serving institution'' has the meaning given the term in section 320(b) or 371(c)(2) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059g(b) and 1067q(c)(2)).

(2) ELIGIBLE PARTNERSHIP.—The term ''eligible partnership'' means a partnership that includes—

(A)(i) an institution with the highest levels of research activity; or

(ii) a Federal laboratory; and

(B) not less than 1 institution of higher education designated as a historically Black college or university, Tribal College or University, or other minority-serving institution.

(3) FEDERAL SCIENCE AGENCY.—The term ''Federal science agency'' means any Federal agency with at least $100,000,000 in basic and applied research obligations in fiscal year 2021.

(4) GRANTEE.—The term ''grantee'' means the legal entity to which a grant is awarded and that is accountable to the Federal Government for the use of the funds provided.

(5) INSTITUTION WITH THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF RESEARCH ACTIVITY.—The term ''institution with the highest levels of research activity'', means an institution of higher education that is classified as an R1 University, or successor designation, by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

(6) HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term ''Hispanic-serving institution'' means an institution of higher education as defined in section 502 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1101a).

(7) HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.—The term ''historically Black college and university'' has the meaning given the term ''part B institution'' in section 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1061).

(8) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term ''institution of higher education'' has the meaning given the term in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a)).

(9) MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term ''minority-serving institution'' means a historically Black college or university, predominantly Black institution, Hispanic-serving institution, Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander–Serving Institution, or Tribal College or University.

(10) PREDOMINANTLY BLACK INSTITUTION.—The term ''predominantly Black institution'' means—

(A) a Predominantly Black Institution, as defined in section 318(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059e(b)); or

(B) a Predominantly Black institution, as defined in section 371(c)(9) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1067q(c)(9)).

(11) STEM.—The term ''STEM'' means science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, including computer science and biological and agricultural sciences.

(12) TRIBAL COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.—The term ''Tribal College or University'' has the meaning given the term in section 316(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059c(b)).

SEC. 6404. DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAM TO SUPPORT PARTNERSHIPS FOR HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, TRIBAL COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES, OR OTHER MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTIONS.

(a) GRANT PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—From amounts made available under section 6406, the head of each Federal science agency shall create a grant program to award grants to eligible partnerships in order to support the recruitment, retention, and advancement of underrepresented students in STEM fields and carry out the purpose described in subsection (b).

(b) PURPOSE OF PROGRAM.—Each eligible partnership supported by a grant under subsection (a) shall—

(1) enhance and expand pathways for underrepresented students at institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges or universities, Tribal Colleges or Universities, or other minority-serving institutions, to enter graduate studies and academia in STEM fields;

(2) remove barriers to entry to the professoriate for such students; and

(3) provide funding to faculty at institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges or universities, Tribal Colleges or Universities, or other minority-serving institutions to work on the research projects along with their students.

(c) COLLABORATION REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) JOINT PROPOSAL.—An eligible partnership desiring a grant under a program described in subsection (a) shall submit a joint proposal representing all members of the eligible partnership to the applicable Federal science agency. The joint proposal shall include a description of the proposed activities to be carried out under the grant.

(2) COLLABORATION.—Each eligible partnership shall collaborate across institutions of higher education, including institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges or universities, Tribal Colleges or Universities, or other minority-serving institutions, in order to develop and carry out the proposed grant activities.

(d) USE OF FUNDS.—The head of each Federal science agency shall require each grantee to direct not less than 50 percent of the total grant award received by the eligible partnership to the partner institutions of higher education designated as historically Black colleges or universities, Tribal Colleges or Universities, or other minority-serving institutions, in order to carry out the activities supported under the grant.

(e) NONDUPLICATION.—An eligible partnership desiring a grant under a program described in subsection (a) shall not submit the same proposal to multiple Federal science agencies.

SEC. 6405. REPORTING.

By not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the head of each Federal science agency shall require each eligible partnership receiving a grant under this title to conduct a longitudinal study and report—

(1) the number of undergraduate students participating in activities supported under this title who pursue STEM graduate studies and professions as a result of these partnerships; and

(2) information regarding the benefits provided to such students as a result of the activities.

SEC. 6406. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this title $100,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(b) REPORT.—Beginning in fiscal year 2022, the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and after consultation with the Secretary of Education on any relevant issue of concern, including at a minimum on the total numbers of qualifying eligible minority serving institutions within each category discussed herein annually, shall prepare and submit to Congress a suggested distribution of funding under this title among all qualifying Federal science agencies that in the first year of the program reflects equitable share as a basis for distribution and that reflects the input of the affected Federal science agencies regarding any allocation methodology to be used in subsequent years.

SA 1825. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title II of division C, insert the following:

SEC. 3219L. FRAMEWORK FOR DISTRIBUTION OF COVID–19 VACCINES AROUND THE WORLD.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and every 30 days thereafter until the date that is one year after such date of enactment, the COVID–19 Task Force shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and to the Committee Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives a report on the framework for the distribution around the world of COVID–19 vaccines produced in the United States.

(b) CONTENT.—The reports submitted under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) the number of vaccines distributed to COVAX;

(2) the amount of surplus supply of vaccines in the United States;

(3) a plan for how countries will be prioritized for the delivery of COVID–19 vaccines produced in the United States;

(4) a review of deployments of health and diplomatic personnel overseas, and

(5) a review of diplomatic outreach to engage donors during the report period.

SA 1826. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. DEPARTMENT OF STATE STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall establish the Department of State Student Internship Program (referred to in this section as the ''Program'') to offer internship opportunities at the Department of State to eligible students to raise awareness of the essential role of diplomacy in the conduct of United States foreign policy and the realization of United States foreign policy objectives.

(b) ELIGIBILITY.—An applicant is eligible to participate in the Program if the applicant—

(1) is enrolled (not less than half-time) at—

(A) an institution of higher education (as defined section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)); or

(B) an institution of higher education based outside of the United States, as determined by the Secretary of State;

(2) is able to receive and hold an appropriate security clearance; and

(3) satisfies such other criteria as the Secretary may establish pursuant to subsection (c).

(c) SELECTION.—The Secretary of State shall establish selection criteria for students to be admitted into the Program, including—

(1) a demonstrable interest in a career in foreign affairs;

(2) strong academic performance; and

(3) such other criteria as the Secretary may establish.

(d) OUTREACH.—The Secretary of State shall—

(1) widely advertise the Program, including on the internet, through—

(A) the Department of State's Diplomats in Residence Program; and

(B) other outreach and recruiting initiatives targeting undergraduate and graduate students; and

(C) actively encourage people belonging to traditionally under-represented groups in terms of racial, ethnic, geographic, and gender diversity, and disability status to apply to the Program, including by conducting targeted outreach at minority serving institutions (as described in section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a))).

(e) COMPENSATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Students participating in the Program shall be paid not less than the greater of—

(A) the amount specified in section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1)); or

(B) the minimum wage of the jurisdiction in which the internship is located.

(2) HOUSING ASSISTANCE.—

(A) ABROAD.—The Secretary of State shall provide housing assistance to any student participating in the Program whose permanent address is within the United States if the location of the internship in which such student is participating is outside of the United States.

(B) DOMESTIC.—The Secretary of State is authorized to provide housing assistance to a student participating in the Program whose permanent address is within the United States if the location of the internship in which such student is participating is more than 50 miles away from such student's permanent address.

(3) TRAVEL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary of State shall provide financial assistance to any student participating in the Program whose permanent address is within the United States that covers the round trip costs of traveling from the location of the internship in which such student is participating (including travel by air, train, bus, or other appropriate transit), if the location of such internship is—

(A) more than 50 miles from such student's permanent address; or

(B) outside of the United States.

(f) WORKING WITH INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The Secretary of State is authorized to enter into agreements with institutions of higher education to structure internships to ensure such internships satisfy criteria for academic programs in which participants in such internships are enrolled.

(g) TRANSITION PERIOD.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall transition all unpaid internship programs of the Department of State, including the Foreign Service Internship Program, to internship programs that offer compensation. Upon selection as a candidate for entry into an internship program of the Department of State after such date, a participant in such internship program shall be afforded the opportunity to forgo compensation, including if doing so allows such participant to receive college or university curricular credit.

(2) EXCEPTION.—The transition required under paragraph (1) shall not apply in the case of unpaid internship programs of the Department of State that are part of the Virtual Student Federal Service Internship Program.

(3) WAIVER.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State may waive the requirement under paragraph (1) to transition an unpaid internship program of the Department to an internship program that offers compensation if the Secretary determines and, not later than 30 days after any such determination, submits a report to the appropriate congressional committees that explains why such transition would not be consistent with effective management goals.

(B) REPORT.—The report required under subparagraph (A) shall describe the reason why transitioning an unpaid internship program of the Department of State to an internship program that offers compensation would not be consistent with effective management goals, including any justification for maintaining such unpaid status indefinitely, or any additional authorities or resources necessary to transition such unpaid program to offer compensation in the future.

(h) REPORTS.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives that includes—

(1) data, to the extent collection of such information is permissible by law, regarding the number of students (disaggregated by race, ethnicity, gender, institution of higher learning, home State, State where each student graduated from high school, and disability status) who applied to the Program, were offered a position, and participated;

(2) data regarding—

(A) the number of security clearance investigations started for such students; and

(B) the timeline for such investigations, including—

(i) whether such investigations were completed; and

(ii) when an interim security clearance was granted;

(3) information on Program expenditures; and

(4) information regarding the Department of State's compliance with subsection (g).

(i) DATA COLLECTION POLICIES.—

(1) VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION.—Nothing in this section may be construed to compel any student who is a participant in an internship program of the Department of State to participate in the collection of the data or divulge any personal information. Such students shall be informed that their participation in the data collection contemplated by this section is voluntary.

(2) PRIVACY PROTECTION.—Any data collected under this section shall be subject to the relevant privacy protection statutes and regulations applicable to Federal employees.

(j) SPECIAL HIRING AUTHORITY.—The Department of State may—

(1) offer compensated internships that last up to 52 weeks; and

(2) select, appoint, employ, and remove individuals in such compensated internships without regard to the provisions of law governing appointments in the competitive service.

SA 1827. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part II of subtitle A of title I of division D, add the following:

SEC. 4128. SECURING UNITED STATES SUPPLY CHAINS OF STRATEGIC METALS AND MINERALS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Underpinned by huge demand from the battery sector, competition for control over global cobalt feedstock supply chains has intensified in recent years. The People's Republic of China's increasing control over cobalt (and other mineral) resources in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (in this section referred to as the ''DRC'') could pose a threat to United States entities seeking to secure supply chains for these minerals. The DRC hosts more than 51 percent of the global cobalt reserves and produces nearly 70 percent of the total cobalt feedstock globally.

(2) In early January 2021, the Government of the People's Republic of China announced it would cancel an estimated $28,000,000 of loans to the DRC, repayment of which were due by the end of 2020, and provide $17,000,000 in other financial support to help the DRC overcome the crisis caused by the COVID–19 pandemic. During a visit to the DRC, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi signed an memorandum of understanding with the DRC on cooperation under the Belt and Road Initiative, with the DRC now becoming the People's Republic of China's 45th partner under that Initiative in Africa. Prior to the announcement, Chinese entities already controlled more than 40 percent of the cobalt mining capacity in the DRC as a result of decades-long investment and development in the DRC, with several resource-for-infrastructure deals having been signed and implemented since the 1990s.

(3) The People's Republic of China is also the world's leading importer of copper, iron ore, chromium, manganese, tantalum, niobium, platinum-group metals, and lithium. Long-term contracts have been established for some imports, but for others, Chinese entities have made equity investments or entered joint ventures in order to secure needed resources.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the Sense of Congress that—

(1) the current United States mineral policy of promoting an adequate, stable, and reliable supply of materials for United States national security, economic well-being, and industrial production is inadequate to ensure that United States entities have a secure supply chain for certain strategic metals and minerals;

(2) United States mineral policy emphasizes developing domestic supplies of critical materials and encourages the private sector in the United States to produce and process those materials, but some raw materials do not exist in economic quantities in the United States, and processing, manufacturing, and other downstream ventures in the United States may not be cost competitive with facilities in other regions of the world;

(3) to counter Chinese dominance in the market for those minerals, the United States Government should—

(A) support more responsible trade missions and United States commercial delegations to mineral-producing countries and assist smaller and less-developed countries to improve the transparency of their minerals trade, including strong support for implementation of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative, beneficial ownership transparency, and the formalization of the artisanal mining sector;

(B) the Department of Commerce should work with the Department of the Treasury and the Department of State to leverage resources to investigate networks of corrupt Chinese practices in the DRC and elsewhere and coordinate with the Department of

Labor and U.S. Customs and Border Protection to ensure that minerals supply chains do not include products benefitting from forced and child labor;

(C) the Department of Commerce, in cooperation with other United States Government agencies, should facilitate accessible de-risking for United States entities seeking to invest in countries such as the DRC; and

(D) the Department of State, in cooperation with other United States Government agencies, should provide to Congress an annual report on corruption in the cobalt sector in the DRC.

(c) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy of the United States—

(1) to promote an adequate, stable, transparent, and reliable supply of materials for United States national security, economic well-being, and industrial production, including by developing international supply chain options that do not rely primarily or exclusively on the domestic private sector or corrupt sources abroad to produce and process those materials;

(2) to counter Chinese dominance in the production of certain metals and minerals, including cobalt, by facilitating the competitiveness of United States entities to work in markets currently dominated by the People's Republic of China; and

(3) to promote a responsible minerals supply chain that counters corruption by the People's Republic of China and all actors and, to that end, the Department of the Treasury should focus on tools, including network sanctions, anti-money laundering measures, and other actions to counter kleptocratic and illicit actors in global mineral supply chains.

SA 1828. Mr. WHITEHOUSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL GRANT PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consultation with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, shall carry out a competitive grant and cost-sharing agreement program for eligible entities to carry out projects located in the United States to produce, transport, blend, or store sustainable aviation fuel.

(b) SELECTION.—In selecting an eligible entity to receive a grant or cost-share agreement under subsection (a), the Secretary shall consider—

(1) the anticipated public benefits of a project proposed by the eligible entity;

(2) the potential to increase the domestic production and deployment of sustainable aviation fuel;

(3) the potential greenhouse gas emissions from such project;

(4) the potential for creating new jobs in the United States;

(5) the potential net greenhouse gas emissions impact of different feedstocks to produce sustainable aviation fuel on a lifecycle basis, which shall include potential direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions (including resulting from changes in land use); and

(6) the proposed utilization of non-Federal contributions by the eligible entity.

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated $200,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026 to carry out this section.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than October 1, 2027, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives a report describing the results of the grant program under this section. The report shall include the following:

(1) A description of the entities and projects that received grants or other cost-sharing agreements under this section.

(2) A detailed explanation for why each entity received the type of funding disbursement such entity did.

(3) A description of whether the program is leading to an increase in the production and deployment of sustainable aviation fuels.

(4) A description of the economic impacts resulting from the funding to and operation of the project.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CONVENTIONAL JET FUEL.—The term ''conventional jet fuel'' means liquid hydrocarbon fuel used for aviation that is derived or refined from petrochemicals.

(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ''eligible entity'' means—

(A) a State or local government other than an airport sponsor;

(B) an air carrier;

(C) an airport sponsor; and

(D) a person or entity engaged in the production, transportation, blending or storage of sustainable aviation fuel in the United States or feedstocks in the United States that could be used to produce sustainable aviation fuel.

(3) INDUCED LAND-USE CHANGE EMISSIONS.—The term ''induced land-use change emissions'' means the greenhouse gas emissions resulting from the conversion of land to the production of feedstocks and from the conversion of other land due to the displacement of crops or animals for which the original land was previously used, as calculated using appropriate modeling techniques approved by a regulating authority.

(4) LIFECYCLE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.—The term ''lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions'' means the combined greenhouse gas emissions from feedstock production, collection of feedstock, transportation of feedstock to fuel production facilities, conversion of feedstock to fuel, transportation and distribution of fuel, and fuel combustion in an aircraft engine, as well as from induced land-use change emissions, as calculated using appropriate modeling techniques approved by a regulating authority.

(5) QUALIFIED FEEDSTOCK.—The term ''qualified feedstock'' means sources of hydrogen and carbon not originating from unrefined or refined petrochemicals.

(6) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Transportation.

(7) SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL.—The term ''sustainable aviation fuel'' means liquid fuel consisting of synthesized hydrocarbons that—

(A) meets the requirements of a Department of Defense specification for military jet fuel or an American Society of Testing and Materials specification for aviation turbine fuel;

(B) is derived from qualified feedstock;

(C) is certified by the Environmental Protection Agency Administrator that such fuel—

(i) either—

(I) conforms to the standards, recommended practices, requirements and criteria, supporting documents, implementation elements, and any other technical guidance for sustainable aviation fuels that are adopted by the International Civil Aviation Organization with the agreement of the United States; or

(II) meets the definition of ''advanced biofuel'' under section 211(o)(1) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7545(o)(1)), as demonstrated by compliance with Environmental Protection Agency implementing regulations under subpart M of part 80 of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations; and

(ii) achieves at least a 50-percent reduction in lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions compared to conventional jet fuel.

SA 1829. Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2306(c)(2) insert ''based on their technical merit and market relevance and pursuant to policies adopted through impartial processes that treat all members and technical contributions fairly and impartially,'' after ''for digital economy technologies,''.

SA 1830. Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2505(f)(1)(F), strike ''education; and'' in clause (xi) and all that follows through ''(xii) identifying'' in clause (xii) and insert the following: ''education;

(xii) in collaboration with the Manufacturing USA Network and the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership, studying mechanisms by which the Federal Government can identify, maintain contact with, and call on industry experts for the purpose of assisting the Secretary in collaborating with industry partners and Federal agencies to mitigate scarcities of supplies that are critical to the crisis preparedness of the United States; and

(xiii) identifying

SA 1831. Ms. HASSAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and

Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. CYBERSECURITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title XXII of the Homeland Security Act (6 U.S.C. 651 et seq.), as amended by section 2, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 2219. APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM.

''(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) AREA CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION SCHOOL.—The term 'area career and technical education school' has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2302).

''(2) COMMUNITY COLLEGE.—The term 'community college' means a public institution of higher education at which the highest degree that is predominantly awarded to students is an associate's degree, including—

''(A) a 2-year Tribal College or and University, as defined in section 316 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059c); and

''(B) a public 2-year State institution of higher education.

''(3) CYBERSECURITY WORK ROLES.—The term 'cybersecurity work roles' means the work roles outlined in the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education Cybersecurity Workforce Framework (NIST Special Publication 800–181), or any successor framework.

''(4) EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROVIDER.—The term 'education and training provider' means—

''(A) an area career and technical education school;

''(B) an early college high school;

''(C) an educational service agency;

''(D) a high school;

''(E) a local educational agency or State educational agency;

''(F) a Tribal educational agency, Tribally controlled college or university, or Tribally controlled postsecondary career and technical institution;

''(G) a postsecondary educational institution;

''(H) a minority-serving institution;

''(I) a provider of adult education and literacy activities under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (29 U.S.C. 3271 et seq.);

''(J) a local agency administering plans under title I of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 720 et seq.), other than section 112 or part C of that title (29 U.S.C. 732, 741);

''(K) a related instruction provider, including a qualified intermediary acting as a related instruction provider as approved by a registration agency;

''(L) a Job Corps center, as defined in section 142 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3192); or

''(M) a consortium of entities described in any of subparagraphs (A) through (L).

''(5) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'eligible entity' means—

''(i) a program sponsor;

''(ii) a State workforce development board or State workforce agency, or a local workforce development board or local workforce development agency;

''(iii) an education and training provider;

''(iv) if the applicant is in a State with a State apprenticeship agency, such State apprenticeship agency;

''(v) an Indian Tribe or Tribal organization;

''(vi) an industry or sector partnership, a group of employers, a trade association, or a professional association that sponsors or participates in a program under the national apprenticeship system;

''(vii) a Governor of a State;

''(viii) a labor organization or joint labor-management organization; or

''(ix) a qualified intermediary.

''(B) SPONSOR REQUIREMENT.—Not fewer than 1 entity described in subparagraph (A) shall be the sponsor of a program under the national apprenticeship system.

''(6) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term 'institution of higher education' has the meaning given the term in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

''(7) LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY; SECONDARY SCHOOL.—The terms 'local educational agency' and 'secondary school' have the meanings given those terms in section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

''(8) LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD.—The term 'local workforce development board' has the meaning given the term 'local board' in section 3 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3102).

''(9) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.—The term 'nonprofit organization' means an organization that is described in section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of such Code.

''(10) PROVIDER OF ADULT EDUCATION.—The term 'provider of adult education' has the meaning given the term 'eligible provider' in section 203 of the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (29 U.S.C. 3272).

''(11) RELATED INSTRUCTION.—The term 'related instruction' means an organized and systematic form of instruction designed to provide an individual in an apprenticeship program with the knowledge of the technical subjects related to the intended occupation of the individual after completion of the program.

''(12) SPONSOR.—The term 'sponsor' means any person, association, committee, or organization operating an apprenticeship program and in whose name the program is, or is to be, registered or approved.

''(13) STATE APPRENTICESHIP AGENCY.—The term 'State apprenticeship agency' has the meaning given the term in section 29.2 of title 29, Code of Federal Regulations, or any corresponding similar regulation or ruling.

''(14) STATE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD.—The term 'State workforce development board' has the meaning given the term 'State board' in section 3 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3102).

''(15) WIOA TERMS.—The terms 'career planning', 'community-based organization', 'economic development agency', 'industry or sector partnership', 'on-the-job training', 'recognized postsecondary credential', and 'workplace learning advisor' have the meanings given those terms in section 3 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3102).

''(16) QUALIFIED INTERMEDIARY.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified intermediary' means an entity that demonstrates expertise in building, connecting, sustaining, and measuring the performance of partnerships described in subparagraph (B) and serves program participants and employers by—

''(i) connecting employers to programs under the national apprenticeship system;

''(ii) assisting in the design and implementation of such programs, including curriculum development and delivery for related instruction;

''(iii) supporting entities, sponsors, or program administrators in meeting the registration and reporting requirements of this Act;

''(iv) providing professional development activities such as training to mentors;

''(v) supporting the recruitment, retention, and completion of potential program participants, including nontraditional apprenticeship populations and individuals with barriers to employment;

''(vi) developing and providing personalized program participant supports, including by partnering with organizations to provide access to or referrals for supportive services and financial advising;

''(vii) providing services, resources, and supports for development, delivery, expansion, or improvement of programs under the national apprenticeship system; or

''(viii) serving as a program sponsor.

''(B) PARTNERSHIPS.—The term 'partnerships described in subparagraph (B)' means partnerships among entities involved in, or applying to participate in, programs under the national apprenticeship system, including—

''(i) industry or sector partnerships;

''(ii) partnerships among employers, joint labor-management organizations, labor organizations, community-based organizations, industry associations, State or local workforce development boards, education and training providers, social service organizations, economic development organizations, Indian Tribes or Tribal organizations, one-stop operators, one-stop partners, or veterans service organizations in the State workforce development system; or

''(iii) partnerships among 1 or more of the entities described in clauses (i) and (ii).

''(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this section, the Director may establish 1 or more apprenticeship programs as described in subsection (c).

''(c) APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS DESCRIBED.—An apprenticeship program described in this subsection is an apprenticeship program that—

''(1) leads directly to employment in—

''(A) a cybersecurity work role with the Agency; or

''(B) a position with a company or other entity provided that the position is—

''(i) certified by the Director as contributing to the national cybersecurity of the United States; and

''(ii) funded at least in majority part through a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement with the Agency;

''(2) is focused on competencies and related learning necessary, as determined by the Director, to meet the immediate and ongoing needs of cybersecurity work roles at the Agency; and

''(3) is registered with and approved by the Office of Apprenticeship of the Department of Labor or a State apprenticeship agency pursuant to the Act of August 16, 1937 (commonly known as the 'National Apprenticeship Act'; 29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.).

''(d) COORDINATION.—In the development of an apprenticeships program under this section, the Director shall consult with the Secretary of Labor, the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the Secretary of Defense, the Director of the National Science Foundation, and the Director

of the Office of Personnel Management to leverage existing resources, research, communities of practice, and frameworks for developing cybersecurity apprenticeship programs.

''(e) OPTIONAL USE OF GRANTS OR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—An apprenticeship program under this section may include entering into a contract or cooperative agreement with or making a grant to an eligible entity if determined appropriate by the Director based on the eligible entity—

''(1) demonstrating experience in implementing and providing career planning and career pathways toward apprenticeship programs;

''(2) having knowledge of cybersecurity workforce development;

''(3) being eligible to enter into a contract or cooperative agreement with or receive grant funds from the Agency as described in this section;

''(4) providing students who complete the apprenticeship program with a recognized postsecondary credential;

''(5) using related instruction that is specifically aligned with the needs of the Agency and utilizes workplace learning advisors and on-the-job training to the greatest extent possible; and

''(6) demonstrating successful outcomes connecting graduates of the apprenticeship program to careers relevant to the program.

''(f) APPLICATIONS.—If the Director enters into an arrangement as described in subsection (e), an eligible entity seeking a contract, cooperative agreement, or grant under the program shall submit to the Director an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Director may require.

''(g) PRIORITY.—In selecting eligible entities to receive a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement under this section, the Director may prioritize an eligible entity that—

''(1) is a member of an industry or sector partnership;

''(2) provides related instruction for an apprenticeship program through—

''(A) a local educational agency, a secondary school, a provider of adult education, an area career and technical education school, or an institution of higher education; or

''(B) an apprenticeship program that was registered with the Department of Labor or a State apprenticeship agency before the date on which the eligible entity applies for the grant under subsection (g);

''(3) works with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or veterans organizations to transition members of the Armed Forces and veterans to apprenticeship programs in a relevant sector; or

''(4) plans to use the grant to carry out the apprenticeship program with an entity that receives State funding or is operated by a State agency.

''(h) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Director shall provide technical assistance to eligible entities to leverage the existing job training and education programs of the Agency and other relevant programs at appropriate Federal agencies.

''(i) EXCEPTED SERVICE.—Participants in the program may be entered into cybersecurity-specific excepted service positions as determined appropriate by the Director and authorized by section 2208.

''(j) REPORT.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not less than once every 2 years after the establishment of an apprenticeship program under this section, the Director shall submit to Congress a report on the program, including—

''(A) a description of—

''(i) any activity carried out by the Agency under this section;

''(ii) any entity that enters into a contract or agreement with or receives a grant from the Agency under subsection (e);

''(iii) any activity carried out using a contract, agreement, or grant under this section as described in subsection (e); and

''(iv) best practices used to leverage the investment of the Federal Government under this section; and

''(B) an assessment of the results achieved by the program, including the rate of continued employment at the Agency for participants after completing an apprenticeship program carried out under this section.

''(k) PERFORMANCE REPORTS.—Not later than 1 year after the establishment of an apprenticeship program under this section, and annually thereafter, the Director shall submit to Congress and the Secretary of Labor a report on the effectiveness of the program based on the accountability measures described in clauses (i) and (ii) of section 116(b)(2)(A) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3141(b)(2)(A)).

''(l) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Agency such sums as necessary to carry out this section.''.

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of contents in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–296; 116 Stat. 2135) is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 2218, as added by section 2, the following:

''Sec. 2219. Apprenticeship program.''.

SEC. ___. PILOT PROGRAM ON CYBERSECURITY TRAINING FOR VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES TRANSITIONING TO CIVILIAN LIFE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall establish a pilot program under which the Secretary shall provide cybersecurity-specific training for eligible individuals.

(b) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—For purposes of this section, an ''eligible individual'' is an individual who is—

(1) a member of the Armed Forces transitioning from service in the Armed Forces to civilian life; or

(2) a veteran (as defined in section 101 of title 38, United States Code).

(c) ELEMENTS.—The pilot program required by subsection (a) shall incorporate—

(1) virtual platforms for coursework and training;

(2) work-based learning opportunities and programs; and

(3) the provision of portable credentials to eligible individuals who graduate from the pilot program.

(d) ALIGNMENT WITH NICE CYBERSECURITY WORKFORCE FRAMEWORK.—The pilot program required by subsection (a) shall align with the taxonomy, knowledge, skills, abilities, and tasks from the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education Cybersecurity Workforce Framework (NIST Special Publication 800–181), or any successor framework.

(e) COORDINATION.—In developing the pilot program required by subsection (a), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall coordinate with the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Labor, and the Director of the Office of Personnel Management to leverage platforms and frameworks of the Federal Government for providing cybersecurity education and training to prevent duplication of efforts.

(f) RESOURCES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In any case in which the pilot program required by subsection (a) uses a program of the Department of Veterans Affairs or platforms and frameworks described in subsection (e), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall take such actions as may be necessary to ensure that those programs, platforms, and frameworks are expanded and resourced to accommodate increased usage from eligible individuals participating in the pilot program.

(2) ACTIONS.—Actions described in paragraph (1) may include providing additional funding, staff, or other resources to—

(A) provide administrative support for basic functions of the pilot program;

(B) ensure the success and ongoing engagement of eligible individuals participating in the pilot program; and

(C) connect graduates of the pilot program to job opportunities within the Federal Government.

(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) PORTABLE CREDENTIAL.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ''portable credential'' means a documented award by a responsible and authorized entity that has determined that an individual has achieved specific learning outcomes relative to a given standard.

(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ''portable credential'' includes a degree, diploma, license, certificate, badge, and professional or industry certification that—

(i) has value locally and nationally in labor markets, educational systems, or other contexts;

(ii) is defined publicly in such a way that allows educators, employers, and other individuals and entities to understand and verify the full set of competencies represented by the credential; and

(iii) enables a holder of the credential to move vertically and horizontally within and across training and education systems for the attainment of other credentials.

(2) WORK-BASED LEARNING.—The term ''work-based learning'' has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2302).

SA 1832. Ms. HASSAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. INVESTIGATIONS BY NATIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS COORDINATION CENTER OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT, MEDICINE, AND OTHER PUBLIC HEALTH MATTERS.

Section 305 of the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 (19 U.S.C. 4344) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting after ''sources of merchandise'' the following: ''(including personal protective equipment, medicine, and other public health goods, treatments, and supplies)''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

''(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated for the National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center $20,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2027 for the salaries and expenses of permanent full-time employees dedicated to supporting investigations under subsection (b).''.

SA 1833. Ms. HASSAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. DUTIES OF INTERAGENCY CENTER ON TRADE IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING, AND ENFORCEMENT.

Section 141(h)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2171(h)(2)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraphs (C) and (D) as subparagraphs (D) and (E), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following:

''(C) investigating practices of countries that are major trading partners of the United States in order to identify and address violations of trade agreements and other practices that have systemic, diffuse impacts on the economy and workers of the United States or systemic impacts on the resiliency of multiple critical domestic supply chains;''.

SA 1834. Ms. HASSAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. NATIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN INTELLIGENCE CENTER.

(a) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—In this section, the term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(1) the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

(2) the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate;

(3) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate;

(4) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate;

(5) the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate;

(6) the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives;

(7) the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives;

(8) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives;

(9) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives; and

(10) the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

(b) REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Transportation, and the Secretary of Commerce, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a classified report, which may include an unclassified summary, that assesses the viability of a national supply chain intelligence center to consolidate and coordinate Federal supply chain intelligence efforts and coordinate with industry stakeholders.

(c) ELEMENTS OF THE REPORT.—The report submitted under subsection (b) shall—

(1) identify existing supply chain intelligence efforts and capabilities, including those focused on foreign investment risks, across the Federal Government;

(2) identify existing supply chain intelligence efforts and capabilities in the private sector, including efforts by information sharing and analysis centers, information sharing and analysis organizations, systemic analysis and research centers, and cybersecurity intelligence firms;

(3) identify continuing gaps between, and opportunities for, greater integration of national supply chain intelligence efforts among—

(A) Federal agencies;

(B) State, local, Tribal, and territorial entities; and

(C) the private sector in its role of securing critical supply chains;

(4) identify any gaps in intelligence support to the Department of Commerce and recommend options to provide any necessary and appropriate support, such as by adding appropriate offices within the Department of Commerce to the definition of the term ''intelligence community'' in section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003) and expanding hiring authorities of the Department of Commerce in a manner comparable to that of other elements of the intelligence community;

(5) assess areas where existing Federal supply chain intelligence centers, or portions of a center's mission, such as those examining foreign investment risks, would benefit from greater integration or collocation to support cross-governmental collaboration and collaboration with critical infrastructure operators;

(6) identify facility needs for a national supply chain intelligence center to adequately host personnel, maintain sensitive compartmented information facilities, and other resources to fulfill its mission as the primary center for supply chain intelligence in the Federal Government and the integrator of public-private efforts to create, analyze, and disseminate supply chain intelligence products;

(7) assess the resources, funding, and personnel required for a national supply chain intelligence center to fulfill its mission as the primary center for supply chain intelligence in the Federal Government and an integrator of public-private efforts to create, analyze, and disseminate supply chain intelligence products;

(8) assess continuing gaps and limitations in the ability of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence to provide for greater centralization of Federal Government supply chain intelligence efforts, including whether to create national intelligence officer and national intelligence manager positions for national supply chain security;

(9) assess continuing limitations or hurdles in the security clearance program for private sector partners and in integrating private sector partners into a national supply chain intelligence center;

(10) assess continuing limitations or hurdles in downgrading intelligence from a higher to lower level of classification, or creating tear lines for private sector partners; and

(11) recommend procedures and criteria for increasing and expanding the participation and integration of public- and private-sector personnel into Federal Government supply chain intelligence efforts.

(d) PLAN.—Upon submitting the report under subsection (b), the Director of National Intelligence, in coordination with the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Transportation, and the Secretary of Commerce, may submit to the appropriate congressional committees a classified plan, which may include an unclassified summary, to establish a national supply chain intelligence center, if appropriate, or to implement other mechanisms for improving supply chain intelligence coordination and sharing among Federal departments and agencies and to provide direct supply chain intelligence support to the private sector.

SA 1835. Ms. HASSAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title II of division C, add the following:

SECTION 3219L. ACTION PLAN AND REPORT ON OUTCOMES OF THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that the Department of Health and Human Services—

(1) represents the United States at the World Health Assembly each year; and

(2) assists with diplomatic efforts in global health throughout the year.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate;

(B) the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate;

(C) the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate;

(D) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives;

(E) the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives;

(F) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives.

(2) WHA.—The term ''WHA'' means the World Health Assembly.

(c) ACTION PLAN.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, shall provide to the appropriate committees of Congress an action plan that includes—

(1) a plan for future diplomatic, surveillance, and interagency efforts during the COVID–19 pandemic by the Office of Global Affairs in reflection of the SARS–CoV–2 virus and its work with international institutions, including the World Health Organization and its member states;

(2) the identification of techniques the Office of Global Affairs has employed that would address future pandemics or other global health emergencies;

(3) a retrospective analysis of diplomatic efforts to engage with the People's Republic

of China regarding the SARS–CoV–2 virus, both bilaterally and through international institutions; and

(4) how the lessons learned from the analysis described in paragraph (3) could be applied to future scenarios to address future pandemics or other global health emergencies.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the closing session of each annual WHA, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, the Secretary of State, and the heads of other relevant executive departments, shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of Congress that includes—

(1) a list of all WHA working groups and their members, including all of the proposals put forth by these working groups to the WHA;

(2) an explanation of the United States' strategy at the WHA, including—

(A) a summary of actions taken by United States officials and diplomats to advance a strategy related to the Peoples Republic of China and the SARS–CoV–2 virus;

(B) a detailed account of the actions by the People's Republic of China and other nations of interest, as designated by the Secretary of State, to impede the United States' strategy at the WHA; and

(C) the effect of the actions referred to in subparagraph (B) on the outcome of any votes by the WHA; and

(3) an overview of any outbreaks of infectious diseases with pandemic potential, including—

(A) detailed descriptions of any Public Health Emergencies of International Concern; and

(B) the steps taken by the World Health Organization and national health entities to combat such public health emergencies.

(e) FORM.—The report required under subsection (d) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

SA 1836. Ms. HASSAN (for herself and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. ANNUAL REPORT ON EXPORT RESTRICTIONS OF CERTAIN COUNTRIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter through 2026, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Energy, the Director of National Intelligence, and the heads of such other Federal agencies as the Secretary of State determines appropriate, shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the status of export restrictions implemented by covered nations, including any changes made to those export restrictions during the one-year period preceding the date of submission of the report.

(b) INCLUSION OF DESCRIPTION OF CERTAIN ACTIONS.—To the extent practical, the Secretary of State shall include in each report submitted under subsection (a) a description of any action taken by a covered nation with respect to the export restrictions implemented by that nation that can reasonably be considered a response to an action taken by the United States Government.

(c) FORM.—Each report submitted under subsection (a) shall be submitted in an unclassified form that can be made available to the public, but may include a classified annex if necessary.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Select Committee on Intelligence, the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(B) the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) COVERED NATION.—The term ''covered nation'' means a country listed as Country Group D or Country Group E in Supplement 1 to Part 740 of the Export Administration Regulations, or successor similar regulations.

(3) EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS.—The term ''Export Administration Regulations'' has the meaning given that term in section 1742 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4801).

SA 1837. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 88, strike lines 4 through 12, and insert the following:

(i) a historically Black college or university which is a part B institution (as defined in section 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1061));

(ii) a Hispanic-serving institution (as defined in section 502 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1101a));

(iii) a Tribal College or University (as defined in section 316 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059c));

(iv) an Alaska Native-serving institution or a Native Hawaiian-serving institution (as defined in section 317(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)));

(v) a Predominantly Black Institution (as defined in section 371(c) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(c));

(vi) an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-serving institution (as defined in section 371(c) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(c))); or

(vii) a Native American-serving nontribal institution (as defined in section 371(c) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(c))); and

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SA 1838. Mr. RISCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title III of division F, insert the following:

SEC. 63___. PROHIBITION ON SHARING OF INFORMATION RELATING TO THE MANUFACTURE OF VACCINES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—No manufacturer of a vaccine, including any vaccine related to the SARS–CoV–2 virus, that was developed in whole or in part with the support of Federal funds may enter into an agreement to share or provide any intellectual property, procedure, machinery, or material for the manufacture of such vaccine with an entity in a foreign country unless the President of the United States certifies that—

(1) the foreign country is a signatory to, and in full compliance with, the Biological Weapons Convention; and

(2) the entity in a foreign country that would be a recipient of such intellectual property, procedure, machinery, or material for the manufacture of a vaccine fully complies with the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration or equivalent requirements and procedures for determining the safety and efficacy of vaccines.

(b) BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION.—In this section, the term ''Biological Weapons Convention'' means the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, done at Washington, London, and Moscow, April 10, 1972.

SA 1839. Mr. RISCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 5212.

SA 1840. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title II of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3219L. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON NEED FOR REFORMS TO RULES OF THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION.

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) although the United States finds value and usefulness in the World Trade Organization in fulfilling the needs of the United States and other free and open economies in the 21st century, significant reforms at the World Trade Organization are needed; and

(2) the United States must continue to demonstrate leadership to achieve reforms that restore the effectiveness of the rules of the World Trade Organization for special and differential treatment to ensure those rules promote advancement for truly developing countries, rather than becoming tools for globally competitive countries such as the People's Republic of China to be designated as developing countries to engage in protectionism and market distortions.

SA 1841. Mrs. HYDE-SMITH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, add the following:

SEC. 25___. INFORMATION ON MISLEADING AND INELIGIBLE READY-TO-EAT IMPORTED FISH PRODUCTS.

Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Food Safety and Inspection Service shall inform the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, and, to the maximum extent practicable, all applicable private establishments (such as importers, distributors, retail and wholesale facilities, and trade associations) of, with respect to all fish of the order Siluriformes—

(1) the prohibitions under section 10(c) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 610(c)); and

(2) the requirements under section 557.2 of title 9, Code of Federal Regulations.

SA 1842. Mr. ROMNEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle D of title I, add the following:

SEC. 3142. COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF CHINESE PROPAGANDA EFFORTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense and the Director of National Intelligence, shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on Chinese propaganda efforts around the world.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report shall include, for each country in which Chinese propaganda occurs—

(1) a description of all Chinese propaganda efforts in the country, including any propaganda directed against the United States, allies and partners, and Taiwan;

(2) an analysis of the impact of the propaganda; and

(3) a description of any United States efforts to counteract the Chinese propaganda with accurate information and an evaluation of the effectiveness of United States efforts.

(c) FORM.—The report required under subsection (a) shall be submitted in classified form with an unclassified summary.

(d) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Armed Services, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

SA 1843. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 28(f)(6) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980, as added by section 2401, insert at the end the following: ''The deployment of any site connectivity infrastructure related to broadband shall not be granted if the area receives Federal funds under another Federal program related to broadband infrastructure or equipment, including the Rural Utilities Service of the Department of Agriculture or the Universal Service Fund of the Federal Communications Commission.''.

SA 1844. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Section 2210 is amended by adding at the end the following:

(h) NONDUPLICATION.—The Director shall not carry out any activity under this section until the Director certifies that the activities to be carried out under this section will not duplicate activities carried out under other Federal programs (other than programs carried out under this Act).

SA 1845. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2401.

SA 1846. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2508, strike subsection (o) and insert the following:

(o) FUNDING.—The Chief Manufacturing Officer is authorized to use only existing funds (available to the Executive Office of the President on the date of enactment of this Act) to carry out this section.

SA 1847. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. REGULATORY OVERSIGHT AND REVIEW TASK FORCE.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a task force to be known as the ''Regulatory Oversight and Review Task Force'' (referred to in this section as the ''Task Force'').

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Task Force shall be composed of—

(A) the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, who shall serve as the Chairperson of the Task Force;

(B) 1 representative of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs; and

(C) 10 individuals from the private sector, who shall be appointed by the President.

(2) EXPERTISE.—Each member of the Task Force appointed under paragraph (1)(C) shall be an individual with expertise in a key technology focus area, as defined in section 2002.

(3) APPOINTMENT.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the President shall appoint each member of the Task Force under paragraph (1)(C).

(c) CONSULTATION WITH GAO.—In carrying out its functions under this section, the Task Force shall consult with the Government Accountability Office.

(d) NO COMPENSATION.—A member of the Task Force may not receive any compensation for serving on the Task Force.

(e) EVALUATION OF REGULATIONS.—The Task Force shall evaluate, and provide recommendations for modification, consolidation, harmonization, or repeal of, Federal regulations that—

(1) exclude or otherwise inhibit competition, causing industries of the United States to be less competitive with global competitors;

(2) create barriers to entry for United States businesses, including entrepreneurs and startups;

(3) increase the operating costs for domestic manufacturing;

(4) impose substantial compliance costs and other burdens on industries of the United States, making those industries less competitive with global competitors;

(5) impose burdensome and lengthy permitting processes and requirements;

(6) impact energy production by United States businesses and make the United States dependent on foreign countries for energy supply;

(7) restrict domestic mining, including the mining of critical minerals; or

(8) inhibit capital formation in the economy of the United States.

(f) WEBSITE.—The Task Force shall establish and maintain a user-friendly, public-facing website to be—

(1) a portal for the submission of written comments under subsection (h); and

(2) a gateway for reports and key information.

(g) DUTY OF FEDERAL AGENCIES.—Upon request of the Task Force, a Federal agency shall provide applicable documents and information to help the Task Force carry out its functions under this section.

(h) WRITTEN RECOMMENDATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.— Not later than 15 days after the first meeting of the Task Force, the Task Force shall initiate a process to solicit and collect written recommendations regarding regulations described in subsection (e) from the general public, interested parties, Federal agencies, and other relevant entities.

(2) MANNER OF SUBMISSION.—The Task Force shall allow written recommendations under paragraph (1) to be submitted through—

(A) the website of the Task Force;

(B) regulations.gov;

(C) the mail; or

(D) other appropriate written means.

(3) PUBLICATION.—The Task Force shall publish each recommendation submitted under paragraph (1)—

(A) in the Federal Register;

(B) on the website of the Task Force; and

(C) on regulations.gov.

(4) PUBLIC OUTREACH.—In addition to soliciting and collecting written recommendations under paragraph (1), the Task Force shall conduct public outreach and convene focus groups throughout the United States to solicit feedback and public comments regarding regulations described in subsection (e).

(5) REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION.—The Task Force shall review the information received under paragraphs (1) and (4) and consider including that information in the reports and special message required under subsections (i) and (j), respectively.

(i) REPORTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Task Force shall submit quarterly and annual reports to Congress on the findings of the Task Force under this section.

(2) CONTENTS.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) analyze the Federal regulations identified in accordance with subsection (e); and

(B) provide recommendations for modifications, consolidation, harmonization, and repeal of the regulations described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.

(j) SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.—

(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term ''covered resolution'' means a joint resolution—

(A) the matter after the resolving clause of which contains only—

(i) a list of some or all of the regulations that were recommended for repeal in a special message submitted to Congress under paragraph (2); and

(ii) a provision that immediately repeals the listed regulations upon enactment of the joint resolution; and

(B) upon which Congress completes action before the end of the first period of 60 calendar days after the date on which the special message described in subparagraph (A)(i) of this paragraph is received by Congress.

(2) SUBMISSION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the first day on which both Houses of Congress are in session after May 1 of each year, the Task Force shall submit a special message to Congress that—

(i) details each regulation that the Task Force recommends for repeal; and

(ii) explains why each regulation should be repealed.

(B) DELIVERY TO HOUSE AND SENATE; PRINTING.—Each special message submitted under subparagraph (A) shall be—

(i) delivered to the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate; and

(ii) printed in the Congressional Record.

(3) PROCEDURE IN HOUSE AND SENATE.—

(A) REFERRAL.—A covered resolution shall be referred to the appropriate committee of the House of Representatives or the Senate, as the case may be.

(B) DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE.—If the committee to which a covered resolution has been referred has not reported the resolution at the end of 25 calendar days after the introduction of the resolution—

(i) the committee shall be discharged from further consideration of the resolution; and

(ii) the resolution shall be placed on the appropriate calendar.

(4) FLOOR CONSIDERATION IN THE HOUSE.—

(A) MOTION TO PROCEED.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—When the committee of the House of Representatives has reported, or has been discharged from further consideration of, a covered resolution, it shall at any time thereafter be in order (even though a previous motion to the same effect has been disagreed to) to move to proceed to the consideration of the resolution.

(ii) PRIVILEGE.—A motion described in clause (i) shall be highly privileged and not debatable.

(iii) NO AMENDMENT OR MOTION TO RECONSIDER.—An amendment to a motion described in clause (i) shall not be in order, nor shall it be in order to move to reconsider the vote by which the motion is agreed to or disagreed to.

(B) DEBATE.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Debate in the House of Representatives on a covered resolution shall be limited to not more than 2 hours, which shall be divided equally between those favoring and those opposing the resolution.

(ii) NO MOTION TO RECONSIDER.—It shall not be in order in the House of Representatives to move to reconsider the vote by which a covered resolution is agreed to or disagreed to.

(C) NO MOTION TO POSTPONE CONSIDERATION OR PROCEED TO CONSIDERATION OF OTHER BUSINESS.—In the House of Representatives, motions to postpone, made with respect to the consideration of a covered resolution, and motions to proceed to the consideration of other business, shall not be in order.

(D) APPEALS FROM DECISIONS OF CHAIR.—An appeal from the decision of the Chair relating to the application of the Rules of the House of Representatives to the procedure relating to a covered resolution shall be decided without debate.

(5) FLOOR CONSIDERATION IN THE SENATE.—

(A) MOTION TO PROCEED.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, when the committee of the Senate to which a covered resolution is referred has reported, or has been discharged from further consideration of, a covered resolution, it shall at any time thereafter be in order (even though a previous motion to the same effect has been disagreed to) to move to proceed to the consideration of the resolution and all points of order against the covered resolution are waived.

(ii) DIVISION OF TIME.—A motion to proceed described in clause (i) is subject to 4 hours of debate divided equally between those favoring and those opposing the covered resolution.

(iii) NO AMENDMENT OR MOTION TO POSTPONE OR PROCEED TO OTHER BUSINESS.—A motion to proceed described in clause (i) is not subject to—

(I) amendment;

(II) a motion to postpone; or

(III) a motion to proceed to the consideration of other business.

(B) FLOOR CONSIDERATION.—

(i) GENERAL.—In the Senate, a covered resolution shall be subject to 10 hours of debate divided equally between those favoring and those opposing the covered resolution.

(ii) AMENDMENTS.—In the Senate, no amendment to a covered resolution shall be in order, except an amendment that strikes from or adds to the list required under paragraph (1)(A)(i) a regulation recommended for repeal by the Task Force.

(iii) MOTIONS AND APPEALS.—In the Senate, a motion to reconsider a vote on final passage of a covered resolution shall not be in order, and points of order, including questions of relevancy, and appeals from the decision of the Presiding Officer, shall be decided without debate.

(6) RECEIPT OF RESOLUTION FROM OTHER HOUSE.—If, before passing a covered resolution, one House receives from the other a covered resolution—

(A) the covered resolution of the other House shall not be referred to a committee and shall be deemed to have been discharged from committee on the day on which it is received; and

(B) the procedures set forth in paragraph (4) or (5), as applicable, shall apply in the receiving House to the covered resolution received from the other House to the same extent as those procedures apply to a covered resolution of the receiving House.

(7) RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE.—Paragraphs (3) through (7) are enacted by Congress—

(A) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the House of Representatives and the Senate, respectively, and as such are deemed a part of the rules of each House, respectively, but applicable only with respect to the procedures to be followed in the House in the case of covered resolutions, and supersede other rules only to the extent that they are inconsistent with such other rules; and

(B) with full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change the rules (so far as relating to the procedure of that House) at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of that House.

SA 1848. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEFENSE ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, there is authorized to be appropriated for the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency $7,000,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026.

SA 1849. Mr. SASSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, add the following:

SEC. ___. OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE- AND MACHINE LEARNING-ENABLED GAME.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, in coordination with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Defense, the Attorney General of the United States, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Director of National Intelligence, and the heads of such other agencies as the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy considers appropriate, shall conduct an artificial intelligence- and machine learning-enabled game of games covering each instrument of national power.

(b) PLAN REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy shall submit to Congress a plan for the execution of the game described in subsection (a).

(2) FORM.—The plan required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in classified form.

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Office of Science and Technology Policy to carry out this section $100,000,000 for fiscal year 2022.

SA 1850. Mr. BLUMENTHAL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title V of division B, insert the following:

SEC. _____. INVESTIGATION AND REPORT ON EDGE NETWORK AUDIO VISUAL SYSTEMS INVOLVING A FOREIGN ADVERSARY.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) EDGE NETWORK AUDIO VISUAL SYSTEM.—The term ''edge network audio visual system'' means audio-visual communications equipment used at the edge of telecommunications networks, such as headsets, webcams or other video cameras, desk telephones, conference telephones, videoconferencing devices, and related services, to facilitate voice and video communications.

(2) FOREIGN ADVERSARY.—The term ''foreign adversary'' means any foreign government or foreign non-government person engaged in a long term pattern or serious instances of conduct significantly adverse to the national security of the United States or security and safety of United States persons.

(3) ICTS TRANSACTION.—The term ''ICTS Transaction'' has the meaning given such term in section 7.2 of part 7 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the reliance on edge network audio visual systems has increased significantly as a result of changes in workplace environment and adoption of new technologies, including during Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19) pandemic, with more widespread uptake of remote work, meetings, virtual offices, and other communications; and

(2) the use of edge network audio visual systems increasingly involves sensitive personal, business, and government information that could present a cybersecurity or national security risk based on the presence of security vulnerabilities or when a manufacturer is susceptible to undue influence by foreign adversaries.

(c) INVESTIGATION AND REPORT.—

(1) INVESTIGATION.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce shall, in consultation with the heads of such other Federal departments and agencies as the Secretary considers appropriate, commence an investigation regarding—

(A) whether certain manufacturers of edge network audio visual systems and associated ICTS Transactions involving a foreign adversary may present an undue or unacceptable risk to cybersecurity or national security; and

(B) if so, whether restrictions should be imposed on such edge network audio visual systems and associated ICTS Transactions in accordance with such part.

(2) REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on the results of such investigation.

(B) FORM.—The report submitted under subparagraph (A) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex. The unclassified portion of the report shall include information about the results of the investigation and recommendations.

SA 1851. Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. PETERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division F, add the following:

TITLE IV—TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY WORKFORCE

SEC. 6401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Telecommunications Skilled Workforce Act''.

SEC. 6402. TELECOMMUNICATIONS INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part I of title III of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 301 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''SEC. 344. TELECOMMUNICATIONS INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP.

''(a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term 'telecommunications interagency working group' means the interagency working group established under subsection (b)(1).

''(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Chairman of the Commission, in partnership with the Secretary of Labor, shall establish within the Commission an interagency working group to develop recommendations to address the workforce needs of the telecommunications industry, including the safety of that workforce.

''(2) DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT.—The telecommunications interagency working group shall be considered established on the date on which a majority of the members of the working group have been appointed, consistent with subsection (d).

''(c) DUTIES.—In developing recommendations under subsection (b), the telecommunications interagency working group shall—

''(1) determine whether, and if so how, any Federal laws, regulations, guidance, policies, or practices, or any budgetary constraints, may be amended to strengthen the ability of institutions of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001)) or for-profit businesses to establish, adopt, or expand programs intended to address the workforce needs of the telecommunications industry, including the workforce needed to build and maintain the 5G wireless infrastructure necessary to support 5G wireless technology;

''(2) identify potential policies and programs that could encourage and improve coordination among Federal agencies, between Federal agencies and States, and among States, on telecommunications workforce needs;

''(3) identify ways in which existing Federal programs, including programs that help facilitate the employment of veterans and military personnel transitioning into civilian life, could be leveraged to help address the workforce needs of the telecommunications industry;

''(4) identify ways to improve recruitment in workforce development programs in the telecommunications industry;

''(5) identify Federal incentives that could be provided to institutions of higher education, for-profit businesses, State workforce development boards established under section 101 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3111), or other relevant stakeholders to establish or adopt new

programs, expand current programs, or partner with registered apprenticeship programs, to address the workforce needs of the telecommunications industry, including such needs in rural areas; and

''(6) identify ways to improve the safety of telecommunications workers, including tower climbers.

''(d) MEMBERS.—The telecommunications interagency working group shall be composed of the following representatives of Federal agencies and relevant non-Federal industry and labor stakeholder organizations:

''(1) A representative of the Department of Education, appointed by the Secretary of Education.

''(2) A representative of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, appointed by the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information.

''(3) A representative of the Commission, appointed by the Chairman of the Commission.

''(4) A representative of a registered apprenticeship program in construction or maintenance, appointed by the Secretary of Labor.

''(5) A representative of a telecommunications industry association, appointed by the Chairman of the Commission.

''(6) A representative of an Indian Tribe or Tribal organization, appointed by the Chairman of the Commission.

''(7) A representative of a rural telecommunications carrier, appointed by the Chairman of the Commission.

''(8) A representative of a telecommunications contractor firm, appointed by the Chairman of the Commission.

''(9) A representative of a minority-serving institution (defined as an institution of higher education described in section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a))), appointed by the Secretary of Education.

''(10) A public interest advocate for tower climber safety, appointed by the Secretary of Labor.

''(11) A representative of the Directorate of Construction of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, appointed by the Secretary of Labor.

''(12) A representative of a labor organization representing the telecommunications workforce, appointed by the Secretary of Labor.

''(e) NO COMPENSATION.—A member of the telecommunications interagency working group shall serve without compensation.

''(f) OTHER MATTERS.—

''(1) CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR.—The telecommunications interagency working group shall name a chair and a vice chair, who shall be responsible for organizing the business of the working group.

''(2) SUBGROUPS.—The chair and vice chair of the telecommunications interagency working group, in consultation with the other members of the telecommunications interagency working group, may establish such subgroups as necessary to help conduct the work of the telecommunications interagency working group.

''(3) SUPPORT.—The Commission and the Secretary of Labor may detail employees of the Commission and the Department of Labor, respectively, to assist and support the work of the telecommunications interagency working group, though such a detailee shall not be considered to be a member of the working group.

''(g) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

''(1) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year after the date on which the telecommunications interagency working group is established, the working group shall submit a report containing its recommendations to address the workforce needs of the telecommunications industry to—

''(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate;

''(B) the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate;

''(C) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives;

''(D) the Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives;

''(E) the Department of Labor; and

''(F) the Commission.

''(2) MAJORITY SUPPORT.—The telecommunications interagency working group may not submit the report under paragraph (1) unless the report has the support of not less than the majority of the members of the working group.

''(3) VIEWS.—The telecommunications interagency working group shall—

''(A) include with the report submitted under paragraph (1) any concurring or dissenting view offered by a member of the working group; and

''(B) identify each member to whom each concurring or dissenting view described in subparagraph (A) should be attributed.

''(4) PUBLIC POSTING.—The Commission and the Secretary of Labor shall make a copy of the report submitted under paragraph (1) available to the public on the websites of the Commission and the Department of Labor, respectively.

''(h) NONAPPLICABILITY OF FACA.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the telecommunications interagency working group.''.

(b) SUNSET.—Section 344 of the Communications Act of 1934, as added by subsection (a), shall be repealed on the day after the date on which the interagency working group established under subsection (b)(1) of that section submits the report to Congress under subsection (g) of that section.

SEC. 6403. TELECOMMUNICATIONS WORKFORCE GUIDANCE.

Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor, in partnership with the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, shall establish and issue guidance on how States can address the workforce needs and safety of the telecommunications industry, including guidance on how a State workforce development board established under section 101 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3111) can—

(1) utilize Federal resources available to States to meet the workforce needs of the telecommunications industry;

(2) promote and improve recruitment in workforce development programs in the telecommunications industry; and

(3) ensure the safety of the telecommunications workforce, including tower climbers.

SEC. 6404. GAO ASSESSMENT OF WORKFORCE NEEDS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(1) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate;

(2) the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate;

(3) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives; and

(4) the Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that estimates the number of skilled telecommunications workers that will be required to build and maintain—

(1) broadband infrastructure in rural areas, including estimates based on—

(A) current need; and

(B) projected need, if Congress enacts legislation that accelerates broadband infrastructure construction in the United States; and

(2) the wireless infrastructure needed to support 5G wireless technology.

SA 1852. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title I of division E, add the following:

SEC. 51___. NO INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERINGS FOR UNACCOUNTABLE ACTORS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term ''Board'' means the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board;

(2) the term ''Commission'' means the Securities and Exchange Commission;

(3) the term ''covered entity'' means—

(A) an entity that is headquartered in, or otherwise controlled by an entity that is headquartered in, a foreign jurisdiction in which the Board is prevented from conducting a complete inspection or investigation of a registered public accounting firm under section 104 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 7214) because of a position taken by an authority in that foreign jurisdiction, as determined by the Board; or

(B) an entity that—

(i) is headquartered in, or otherwise controlled by an entity that is headquartered in, a foreign jurisdiction; and

(ii) retains a registered public accounting firm described in section 104(i)(2)(A) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 7214(i)(2)(A));

(4) the terms ''exchange'', ''issuer'', and ''security'' have the meanings given the terms in section 3(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78c(a)); and

(5) the term ''national securities exchange'' means an exchange registered as a national securities exchange under section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78f).

(b) PROHIBITIONS REGARDING COVERED ENTITIES.—Beginning on the date that is 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act—

(1) the Commission shall prohibit the initial listing of the securities of a covered entity on a national securities exchange;

(2) if the securities of an issuer are listed on a national securities exchange and, as a result of a business combination, that issuer becomes a covered entity, the Commission shall prohibit the national securities exchange from continuing to list the securities of the issuer; and

(3) a covered entity may not register a security of the covered entity under section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78l(b)).

SA 1853. Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. KAINE, and Mr. TILLIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science

Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, the following:

SEC. 2528. NATIONAL CRITICAL CAPABILITIES REVIEWS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"TITLE X—NATIONAL CRITICAL CAPABILITIES REVIEWS

"SEC. 1001. DEFINITIONS.

''In this title:

''(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term 'appropriate congressional committees' means—

''(A) the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate; and

''(B) the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Education and Labor, the Committee on Financial Services, the Committee on Homeland Security, and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.

''(2) COMMITTEE.—The term 'Committee' means the Committee on National Critical Capabilities established under section 1002.

''(3) CONTROL.—The term 'control' means the power, direct or indirect, whether exercised or not exercised, to determine, direct, or decide important matters affecting an entity, subject to regulations prescribed by the Committee.

''(4) COUNTRY OF CONCERN.—The term 'country of concern'—

''(A) has the meaning given the term 'foreign adversary' in section 8(c)(2) of the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1607(c)(2)); and

''(B) may include a nonmarket economy country (as defined in section 771(18) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1677(18))) identified by the Committee for purposes of this paragraph by regulation.

''(5) COVERED TRANSACTION.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided, the term 'covered transaction' means any of the following transactions, proposed or pending on or after the date of the enactment of this title:

''(i) Any transaction by a United States business that—

''(I) shifts or relocates to a country of concern, or transfers to an entity of concern, the design, development, production, manufacture, fabrication, supply, servicing, testing, management, operation, investment, ownership, or any other essential elements involving one or more national critical capabilities identified under subparagraph (B)(ii); or

''(II) could result in an unacceptable risk to a national critical capability.

''(ii) Any other transaction, transfer, agreement, or arrangement, the structure of which is designed or intended to evade or circumvent the application of this title, subject to regulations prescribed by the Committee.

''(B) REGULATIONS.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—The Committee shall prescribe regulations further defining the term 'covered transaction' in accordance with subchapter II of chapter 5, and chapter 7, of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the 'Administrative Procedure Act').

''(ii) IDENTIFICATION OF NATIONAL CRITICAL CAPABILITIES.—For purposes of subparagraph (A)(I), the regulations prescribed by the Committee under clause (i) shall—

''(I) identify the national critical capabilities subject to that subparagraph based on criteria intended to limit application of that subparagraph to the subset of national critical capabilities that is likely to pose an unacceptable risk to the national security and crisis preparedness of the United States; and

''(II) enumerate, quantify, prioritize, and set forth sufficient allowances of, specific types and examples of such capabilities.

''(6) CRISIS PREPAREDNESS.—The term 'crisis preparedness' means preparedness for—

''(A) a public health emergency declared under section 319 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d); or

''(B) a major disaster declared under section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170).

''(7) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term 'critical infrastructure' means systems and assets, whether physical or virtual, so vital to the United States that the incapacity or destruction of such systems and assets would have a debilitating impact on national security, national economic security, national public health or safety, or any combination of those matters.

''(8) ENTITY OF CONCERN.—The term 'entity of concern' means an entity—

''(A) the ultimate parent entity of which is domiciled in a country of concern; or

''(B) that is directly or indirectly controlled by, owned by, or subject to the influence of a foreign person that has a substantial nexus with a country of concern.

''(9) FOREIGN ENTITY.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided by subparagraph (B), the term 'foreign entity' means any branch, partnership, group or sub-group, association, estate, trust, corporation or division of a corporation, or organization organized under the laws of a foreign country if—

''(i) its principal place of business is outside the United States; or

''(ii) its equity securities are primarily traded on one or more foreign exchanges.

''(B) EXCEPTION.—The term 'foreign entity' does not include any entity described in subparagraph (A) that can demonstrate that a majority of the equity interest in such entity is ultimately owned by nationals of the United States.

''(10) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term 'foreign person' means—

''(A) any foreign national, foreign government, or foreign entity;

''(B) any entity over which control is exercised or exercisable by a foreign national, foreign government, or foreign entity; or

''(C) any entity over which control is exercised or exercisable by a person described in subparagraph (A) or (B).

''(11) NATIONAL CRITICAL CAPABILITIES.—The term 'national critical capabilities', subject to regulations prescribed by the Committee—

''(A) means systems and assets, whether physical or virtual, so vital to the United States that the inability to develop such systems and assets or the incapacity or destruction of such systems or assets would have a debilitating impact on national security or crisis preparedness; and

''(B) includes the following:

''(i) The production, in sufficient quantities, of any of the following articles:

''(I) Medical supplies, medicines, and personal protective equipment.

''(II) Articles essential to the operation, manufacture, supply, service, or maintenance of critical infrastructure.

''(III) Articles critical to infrastructure construction after a natural or manmade disaster.

''(IV) Articles that are components of systems critical to the operation of weapons systems, intelligence collection systems, or items critical to the conduct of military or intelligence operations.

''(V) Any other articles identified in regulations prescribed under section 1007.

''(ii) Supply chains for the production of articles described in clause (i).

''(iii) Essential supply chains for the Department of Defense.

''(iv) Any other supply chains identified in regulations prescribed under section 1007.

''(v) Services critical to the production of articles described in clause (i) or a supply chain described in clause (ii), (iii), or (iv).

''(vi) Medical services.

''(vii) Services critical to the maintenance of critical infrastructure.

''(viii) Services critical to infrastructure construction after a natural or manmade disaster.

''(ix) Any other services identified in regulations prescribed under section 1007.

''(12) NATIONAL SECURITY.—The term 'national security' includes—

''(A) national security, as defined in section 721(a) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a));

''(B) national defense, as defined in section 702 of that Act (50 U.S.C. 4552); and

''(C) agricultural security and natural resources security.

''(13) PARTY.—The term 'party', with respect to a transaction, has the meaning given that term in regulations prescribed by the Committee.

''(14) UNITED STATES.—The term 'United States' means the several States, the District of Columbia, and any territory or possession of the United States.

''(15) UNITED STATES BUSINESS.—The term 'United States business' means a person engaged in interstate commerce in the United States.

"SEC. 1002. COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL CRITICAL CAPABILITIES.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established a committee, to be known as the 'Committee on National Critical Capabilities', which shall carry out this title and such other assignments as the President may designate.

''(b) MEMBERSHIP.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Committee shall be comprised of the head, or a designee of the head, of each of the following:

''(A) The Office of the United States Trade Representative.

''(B) The Department of Commerce.

''(C) The Office of Science and Technology Policy.

''(D) The Department of the Treasury.

''(E) The Department of Homeland Security.

''(F) The Department of Defense.

''(G) The Department of State.

''(H) The Department of Justice.

''(I) The Department of Energy.

''(J) The Department of Health and Human Services.

''(K) The Department of Agriculture.

''(L) The Department of Labor.

''(M) Any other Federal agency the President determines appropriate, generally or on a case-by-case basis.

''(2) EX OFFICIO MEMBERS.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the members of the Committee specified in paragraph (1), the following shall, except as provided in subparagraph (B), be nonvoting, ex officio members of the Committee:

''(i) The Director of National Intelligence.

''(ii) The Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

''(iii) The Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

''(iv) The Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

''(v) The Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

''(vi) The Chairperson of the Federal Communications Commission.

''(vii) The Chairperson of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

''(viii) The Chairperson of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

''(ix) The Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.

''(B) DESIGNATION AS VOTING MEMBERS.—The chairperson of the Committee may designate any of the officials specified in clauses (ii) through (ix) of subparagraph (A) as voting members of the Committee.

''(c) CHAIRPERSON.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The United States Trade Representative shall serve as the chairperson of the Committee.

''(2) CONSULTATIONS WITH SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE AND COMMERCE.—In carrying out the duties of the chairperson of the Committee, the United States Trade Representative shall consult with the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Commerce.

''(d) DESIGNATION OF OFFICIALS TO CARRY OUT DUTIES RELATED TO COMMITTEE.—The head of each agency represented on the Committee shall designate an official, at or equivalent to the level of Assistant Secretary in the Department of the Treasury, who is appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to carry out such duties related to the Committee as the head of the agency may assign.

''SEC. 1003. REVIEW OF COVERED TRANSACTIONS.

''(a) MANDATORY NOTIFICATION.—A United States business that engages in a covered transaction shall submit a written notification of the transaction to the Committee.

''(b) REVIEW.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after receiving written notification under subsection (a) of a covered transaction, the Committee may—

''(A) review the transaction to determine if the transaction is likely to result in an unacceptable risk to one or more national critical capabilities, including by considering factors specified in section 1005; and

''(B) if the Committee determines under subparagraph (A) that the transaction poses a risk described in that subparagraph, make recommendations—

''(i) to the President for appropriate action that may be taken under this title or under other existing authorities to address or mitigate that risk; and

''(ii) to Congress for the establishment or expansion of Federal programs to support the production or supply of articles and services described in section 1001(a)(11)(B) in the United States.

''(2) UNILATERAL INITIATION OF REVIEW.—The Committee may initiate a review under paragraph (1) of a covered transaction for which written notification is not submitted under subsection (a).

''(3) INITIATION OF REVIEW BY REQUEST FROM CONGRESS.—The Committee shall initiate a review under paragraph (1) of a covered transaction if the chairperson and the ranking member of one of the appropriate congressional committees jointly request the Committee to review the transaction.

''(c) TREATMENT OF BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.—A United States business shall submit each notification required by subsection (a) to the Committee—

''(1) in a form that includes business confidential information; and

''(2) in a form that omits business confidential information and is appropriate for disclosure to the public.

''SEC. 1004. ACTION BY THE PRESIDENT.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (d), the President may take such action for such time as the President considers appropriate to address or mitigate any unacceptable risk posed by a covered transaction to one or more national critical capabilities, including suspending or prohibiting the covered transaction.

''(b) ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT.—The President shall announce the decision on whether or not to take action pursuant to subsection (a) with respect to a covered transaction not later than 15 days after the date on which the review of the transaction under section 1003 is completed.

''(c) ENFORCEMENT.—The President may direct the Attorney General of the United States to seek appropriate relief, including divestment relief, in the district courts of the United States, in order to implement and enforce this section.

''(d) FINDINGS OF THE PRESIDENT.—The President may exercise the authority conferred by subsection (a) to suspend or prohibit a covered transaction only if the President finds that—

''(1) there is credible evidence that leads the President to believe that the transaction poses an unacceptable risk to one or more national critical capabilities; and

''(2) provisions of law (other than this section) do not, in the judgment of the President, provide adequate and appropriate authority for the President to protect such capabilities.

''(e) FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED.—For purposes of determining whether to take action under subsection (a), the President shall consider, among other factors, each of the factors described in section 1005, as appropriate.

''SEC. 1005. FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED.

''The Committee, in reviewing and making a determination with respect to a covered transaction under section 1003, and the President, in determining whether to take action under section 1004 with respect to a covered transaction, shall consider any factors relating to national critical capabilities that the Committee or the President considers relevant, including—

''(1) the long-term strategic economic, national security, and crisis preparedness interests of the United States;

''(2) the history of distortive or predatory trade practices in each country in which a foreign person that is a party to the transaction is domiciled;

''(3) control and beneficial ownership (as determined in accordance with section 847 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 2509 note)) of each foreign person that is a party to the transaction; and

''(4) impact on the domestic industry and resulting resiliency, including the domestic skills base, taking into consideration any pattern of foreign investment in the domestic industry.

''SEC. 1006. SUPPLY CHAIN SENSITIVITIES.

''The Committee shall determine the sensitivities and risks for sourcing of articles described in section 1001(a)(11)(B)(i), in accordance with the following:

''(1) The sourcing of least concern shall be articles the supply chains for which are housed in whole within countries that are allies of the United States.

''(2) The sourcing of greater concern shall be articles the supply chains for which are housed in part within countries of concern or from an entity of concern but for which substitute production is available from elsewhere at required scale.

''(3) The sourcing of greatest concern shall be articles the supply chains for which are housed wholly or in part in countries of concern or from an entity of concern and for which substitute production is unavailable elsewhere at required scale.

''SEC. 1007. IDENTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL NATIONAL CRITICAL CAPABILITIES.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—The Committee should prescribe regulations to identify additional articles, supply chains, and services to recommend for inclusion in the definition of 'national critical capabilities' under section 1001(a)(11).

''(b) REVIEW OF INDUSTRIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—In identifying under subsection (a) additional articles, supply chains, and services to recommend for inclusion in the definition of 'national critical capabilities' under section 1001(a)(11), the Committee should conduct a review of industries identified by Federal Emergency Management Agency as carrying out emergency support functions, including the following industries:

''(A) Energy.

''(B) Medical.

''(C) Communications, including electronic and communications components.

''(D) Defense.

''(E) Transportation.

''(F) Aerospace, including space launch.

''(G) Robotics.

''(H) Artificial intelligence.

''(I) Semiconductors.

''(J) Shipbuilding.

''(K) Water, including water purification.

''(2) QUANTIFICATION.—In conducting a review of industries under paragraph (1), the Committee should specify the quantity of articles, supply chains, and services, and specific types and examples of transactions, from each industry sufficient to maintain national critical capabilities.

''SEC. 1008. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

''(a) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of the United States Innovation and Competition Act of 2021, and annually thereafter, the Committee shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report—

''(A) on the determination under section 1006 with respect to sensitivities and risks for sourcing of articles described in section 1001(a)(11)(B)(i);

''(B) assessing whether identification of additional national critical capabilities under section 1007 is necessary; and

''(C) describing, for the year preceding submission of the report—

''(i) the notifications received under subsection (a) of section 1003 and reviews conducted pursuant to such notifications;

''(ii) reviews initiated under paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (b) of that section;

''(iii) actions recommended by the Committee under subsection (b)(1)(B) of that section as a result of such reviews; and

''(iv) reviews during which the Committee determined no action was required; and

''(D) assessing the overall impact of such reviews on national critical capabilities.

''(2) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

''(b) USE OF DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950 AUTHORITIES.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of the United States Innovation and Competition Act of 2021, the Committee shall submit to Congress a report that includes recommendations relating to use the authorities under title III of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4531 et seq.) to make investments to enhance national critical capabilities and reduce dependency on materials and services imported from foreign countries.

"SEC. 1009. REQUIREMENT FOR REGULATIONS.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—The Committee shall prescribe regulations to carry out this title.

''(b) ELEMENTS.—Regulations prescribed to carry out this title shall—

''(1) provide for the imposition of civil penalties for any violation of this title, including any mitigation agreement entered into, conditions imposed, or order issued pursuant to this title; and

''(2) include specific examples of the types of—

''(A) the transactions that will be considered to be covered transactions; and

''(B) the articles, supply chains, and services that will be considered to be national critical capabilities.

''(c) COORDINATION.—In prescribing regulations to carry out this title, the Committee shall coordinate with the United States Trade Representative, the Under Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Security, and the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States to avoid duplication of effort.

"SEC. 1010. REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of the United States Innovation and Competition Act of 2021, the Federal Acquisition Regulation shall be revised to require each person that is a prospective contractor for an executive agency to disclose the supply chains the person would use to carry out the contract and the extent to which the person would depend on articles and services imported from foreign countries, including the percentage of such materials and services imported from countries of concern.

''(b) MATERIALITY.—The head of an executive agency shall consider the failure of a person to make the disclosures required by subsection (a) to be material determinants in awarding a contract to that person.

''(c) APPLICABILITY.—The revisions to the Federal Acquisition Regulation required under subsection (a) shall apply with respect to contracts for which solicitations are issued on or after the date that is 90 days after the date of the enactment of the United States Innovation and Competition Act of 2021.

''(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) EXECUTIVE AGENCY.—The term 'executive agency' has the meaning given that term in section 133 of title 41, United States Code.

''(2) FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION.—The term 'Federal Acquisition Regulation' means the regulation issued pursuant to section 1303(a)(1) of title 41, United States Code.

"SEC. 1011. MULTILATERAL ENGAGEMENT AND COORDINATION.

''The United States Trade Representative—

''(1) should, in coordination and consultation with relevant Federal agencies, conduct multilateral engagement with the governments of countries that are allies of the United States to secure coordination of protocols and procedures with respect to covered transactions with countries of concern; and

''(2) upon adoption of protocols and procedures described in paragraph (1), shall work with those governments to establish information sharing regimes.

"SEC. 1012. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

''There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this title, including to provide outreach to industry and persons affected by this title.

"SEC. 1013. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION WITH RESPECT TO FREE AND FAIR COMMERCE.

''Nothing in this title may be construed as prohibiting or limiting the free and fair flow of commerce outside of the United States that does not pose an unacceptable risk to a national critical capability.''.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents for the Trade Act of 1974 is amended by adding at the end the following:

''TITLE X—NATIONAL CRITICAL CAPABILITIES REVIEWS

''Sec. 1001. Definitions.
''Sec. 1002. Committee on National Critical Capabilities.
''Sec. 1003. Review of covered transactions.
''Sec. 1004. Action by the President.
''Sec. 1005. Factors to be considered.
''Sec. 1006. Supply chain sensitivities.
''Sec. 1007. Identification of additional national critical capabilities.
''Sec. 1008. Reporting requirements.
''Sec. 1009. Requirement for regulations.
''Sec. 1010. Requirements related to government procurement.
''Sec. 1011. Multilateral engagement and coordination.
''Sec. 1012. Authorization of appropriations.
''Sec. 1013. Rule of construction with respect to free and fair commerce.''.

SA 1854. Mr. MANCHIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, add the following:

SEC. 25___. ADVANCED ENERGY MANUFACTURING AND RECYCLING GRANT PROGRAM.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADVANCED ENERGY PROPERTY.—The term ''advanced energy property'' means—

(A) property designed to be used to produce energy from the sun, water, wind, geothermal or hydrothermal (as those terms are defined in section 612 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (42 U.S.C. 17191)) resources, enhanced geothermal systems (as defined in that section), or other renewable resources;

(B) fuel cells, microturbines, or energy storage systems and components;

(C) electric grid modernization equipment or components;

(D) property designed to capture, remove, use, or sequester carbon oxide emissions;

(E) equipment designed to refine, electrolyze, or blend any fuel, chemical, or product that is—

(i) renewable; or

(ii) low-carbon and low-emission;

(F) property designed to produce energy conservation technologies (including for residential, commercial, and industrial applications);

(G)(i) light-, medium-, or heavy-duty electric or fuel cell vehicles;

(ii) technologies, components, and materials of those vehicles; and

(iii) charging or refueling infrastructure associated with those vehicles;

(H)(i) hybrid vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of not less than 14,000 pounds; and

(ii) technologies, components, and materials for those vehicles; and

(I) other advanced energy property designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, as may be determined by the Secretary.

(2) COVERED CENSUS TRACT.—The term ''covered census tract'' means a census tract—

(A) in which, after December 31, 1999, a coal mine had closed;

(B) in which, after December 31, 2009, a coal-fired electricity generating unit had been retired; or

(C) that is immediately adjacent to a census tract described in subparagraph (A) or (B).

(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ''eligible entity'' means a manufacturing firm—

(A) the gross annual sales of which are less than $100,000,000;

(B) that has fewer than 500 employees at the plant site of the manufacturing firm; and

(C) the annual energy bills of which total more than $100,000 but less than $2,500,000.

(4) MINORITY-OWNED.—The term ''minority-owned'', with respect to an eligible entity, means an eligible entity not less than 51 percent of which is owned by 1 or more Black American, Native American, Hispanic American, or Asian American individuals.

(5) PROGRAM.—The term ''Program'' means the grant program established under subsection (b).

(6) QUALIFYING ADVANCED ENERGY PROJECT.—The term ''qualifying advanced energy project'' means a project that—

(A)(i) re-equips, expands, or establishes a manufacturing or recycling facility for the production or recycling, as applicable, of advanced energy property; or

(ii) re-equips an industrial or manufacturing facility with equipment designed to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions of that facility substantially below the greenhouse gas emissions under current best practices, as determined by the Secretary, through the installation of—

(I) low- or zero-carbon process heat systems;

(II) carbon capture, transport, utilization, and storage systems;

(III) technology relating to energy efficiency and reduction in waste from industrial processes; or

(IV) any other industrial technology that significantly reduces greenhouse gas emissions, as determined by the Secretary;

(B) has a reasonable expectation of commercial viability, as determined by the Secretary; and

(C) is located in a covered census tract.

(7) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Energy.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall establish a program to award grants to eligible entities to carry out qualifying advanced energy projects.

(c) APPLICATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each eligible entity seeking a grant under the Program shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including a description of the proposed qualifying advanced energy project to be carried out using the grant.

(2) SELECTION CRITERIA.—

(A) PROJECTS.—In selecting eligible entities to receive grants under the Program, the Secretary shall, with respect to the qualifying advanced energy projects proposed by the eligible entities, give higher priority to projects that—

(i) will provide higher net impact in avoiding or reducing anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases;

(ii) will result in a higher level of domestic job creation (both direct and indirect) during the lifetime of the project;

(iii) will result in a higher level of job creation in the vicinity of the project, particularly with respect to—

(I) low-income communities (as described in section 45D(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986); and

(II) dislocated workers who were previously employed in manufacturing, coal power plants, or coal mining;

(iv) have higher potential for technological innovation and commercial deployment;

(v) have a lower levelized cost of—

(I) generated or stored energy; or

(II) measured reduction in energy consumption or greenhouse gas emission (based on costs of the full supply chain); and

(vi) have a shorter project time.

(B) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—In selecting eligible entities to receive grants under the Program, the Secretary shall give priority to eligible entities that are minority-owned.

(d) PROJECT COMPLETION AND LOCATION; RETURN OF UNOBLIGATED FUNDS.—

(1) COMPLETION; RETURN OF UNOBLIGATED FUNDS.—An eligible entity that receives a grant under the Program shall be required—

(A) to complete the qualifying advanced energy project funded by the grant not later than 3 years after the date of receipt of the grant funds; and

(B) to return to the Secretary any grant funds that remain unobligated at the end of that 3-year period.

(2) LOCATION.—If the Secretary determines that an eligible entity awarded a grant under the Program has carried out the applicable qualifying advanced energy project at a location that is materially different from the location specified in the application for the grant, the eligible entity shall be required to return the grant funds to the Secretary.

(e) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall provide technical assistance on a selective basis to eligible entities that are seeking a grant under the Program to enhance the impact of the qualifying advanced energy project to be carried out using the grant with respect to the selection criteria described in subsection (c)(2)(A).

(2) APPLICATIONS.—An eligible entity desiring technical assistance under paragraph (1) shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

(3) FACTORS FOR CONSIDERATION.—In selecting eligible entities for technical assistance under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall give higher priority to eligible entities that propose a qualifying advanced energy project that has greater potential for enhancement of the impact of the project with respect to the selection criteria described in subsection (c)(2)(A).

(f) PUBLICATION OF GRANTS.—The Secretary shall make publicly available the identity of each eligible entity awarded a grant under the Program and the amount of the grant.

(g) WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on qualifying advanced energy projects funded by a grant under the Program shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a similar character in the locality, as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly known as the ''Davis-Bacon Act'').

(2) AUTHORITY.—With respect to the labor standards specified in paragraph (1), the Secretary of Labor shall have the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1267; 5 U.S.C. App.) and section 3145 of title 40, United States Code.

(h) REPORT.—Not later than 4 years after the date of enactment this Act, the Secretary shall—

(1) review the grants awarded under the Program; and

(2) submit to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives a report describing those grants.

(i) FUNDING.—There is appropriated to the Secretary, out of amounts in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, $150,000,000 to carry out the Program for fiscal year 2022.

SA 1855. Mr. MANCHIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2515 and insert the following:

SEC. 2515. RESTRICTIONS ON NUCLEAR COOPERATION WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the document entitled ''U.S. Policy Framework on Civil Nuclear Cooperation with China'' (PF 2019–03), which was issued on October 11, 2018, places necessary and appropriate restrictions on nuclear cooperation with the People's Republic of China and should, therefore, remain in force.

(b) REPORTS ON MODIFICATIONS TO RESTRICTIONS.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 60 days before the date on which the Secretary of Energy seeks to modify any restriction on the transfer of United States civil nuclear technology to the People's Republic of China, the Secretary of Energy, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State and after consultation with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Secretary of Defense and review by the Director of National Intelligence, shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on such modification, including a description of, and explanation for, the modification.

(2) FORM.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(c) REVIEW OF PRIOR NUCLEAR COOPERATION AND ASSOCIATED IMPACTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall initiate—

(A) a review of nuclear cooperation during the 10-year period ending on the date of the enactment of this Act between the United States Government and the People's Republic of China, including the role of the Department of State in facilitating such cooperation; and

(B) assessing the implications of the cooperation described in subparagraph (A) on the national security of the United States.

(2) ELEMENTS.—In conducting the review and assessment under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General shall examine all nuclear cooperation activities between the United States Government and the People's Republic of China during the 10-year period ending on the date of the enactment of this Act, including—

(A) all trips relating to nuclear cooperation taken by officials of the United States Government to the People's Republic of China;

(B) all exchanges of goods, services, data, or information between officials of the United States Government and the Government of the People's Republic of China or any entity owned or controlled by that Government or organized under the laws of the People's Republic of China;

(C) all instances in which officials of the United States Government hosted officials from, or significantly tied to, the Government of the People's Republic of China or any entity described in subparagraph (B).

(3) DEADLINE AND REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after Comptroller General initiates the review and assessment under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General shall—

(A) complete the review and assessment; and

(B) submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report containing the results of the review and assessment, which shall be unclassified but, if necessary, may include a classified annex.

(4) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 60 days after the date on which the Comptroller General submits the report required by paragraph (3), the Comptroller General shall make the report publicly available in an easily accessible electronic format, with appropriate redactions for information that, in the determination of the Secretary of Energy, would be damaging to the national security of the United States if disclosed.

(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit—

(1) United States commercial activities that are consistent with the laws and regulations of the United States; or

(2) limited diplomatic engagement or dialogue—

(A) including regarding protection of the intellectual property and trade secrets of United States persons; and

(B) except for any diplomatic engagement or dialogue relating to or aimed at facilitating the transfer of nuclear technology.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) NUCLEAR COOPERATION.—The term ''nuclear cooperation'' means cooperation with respect to nuclear activities, including the development, use, or control of atomic energy, including any activities involving the processing or utilization of source material, byproduct material, or special nuclear material (as those terms are defined in section 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2014)).

(3) NUCLEAR COOPERATION ACTIVITIES.—The term ''nuclear cooperation activities'' means activities relating to nuclear cooperation.

(4) RESTRICTION ON THE TRANSFER OF UNITED STATES CIVIL NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—The term ''restriction on the transfer of United States civil nuclear technology to the People's Republic of China'' includes the 2018 United States Policy Framework on Civil Nuclear Cooperation with China of the Department of Energy.

SA 1856. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish

a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. USCIS ACCESS TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other access to criminal history records authorized for noncriminal justice purposes under the National Crime History Access and Child Protection Act (34 U.S.C. 40311 et seq.), the Attorney General and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation shall provide the Secretary of Homeland Security, for purposes relating to immigration and naturalization matters, with—

(1) direct access to criminal history records without submission of positive identification, including name-check access to the Interstate Identification Index (III) System; and

(2) access to sealed record information and any other criminal history information on the same terms as are provided to an agency performing a criminal justice or law enforcement purpose.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—The definitions in section 213 of the National Criminal History Access and Child Protection Act (34 U.S.C. 40312) shall apply to subsection (a).

SA 1857. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 496, strike line 17 and all that follows through page 535, line 15, and insert the following:

(9) JOHNSON SPACE CENTER.—The term ''Johnson Space Center'' means the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas.

(10) NASA.—The term ''NASA'' means the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

(11) ORION.—The term ''Orion'' means the multipurpose crew vehicle described in section 303 of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18323).

(12) OSTP.—The term ''OSTP'' means the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

(13) SPACE LAUNCH SYSTEM.—The term ''Space Launch System'' means the Space Launch System authorized under section 302 of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18322).

PART I—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 2613. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Administration for fiscal year 2021 $23,495,000,000 as follows:

(1) For Exploration, $6,706,400,000.

(2) For Space Operations, $3,988,200,000.

(3) For Science, $7,274,700,000.

(4) For Aeronautics, $828,700,000.

(5) For Space Technology, $1,206,000,000.

(6) For Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Engagement, $120,000,000.

(7) For Safety, Security, and Mission Services, $2,936,500,000.

(8) For Construction and Environmental Compliance and Restoration, $390,300,000.

(9) For Inspector General, $44,200,000.

PART II—HUMAN SPACEFLIGHT AND EXPLORATION

SEC. 2614. COMPETITIVENESS WITHIN THE HUMAN LANDING SYSTEM PROGRAM.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The Apollo 11 landing on July 20, 1969, marked the first steps of a human being on the surface of another world, representing a giant leap for all humanity and a significant demonstration of the spaceflight capabilities of the United States.

(2) Section 202(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18312(a)) establishes for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration the long-term goals of expanding human presence in space and establishing a thriving space economy in low-Earth orbit and beyond.

(3) The 2017 National Security Strategy designates the human exploration of the solar system as a strategic priority for the United States.

(4) Establishing and ensuring the sustainability of human space exploration of the solar system, as called for in the Space Policy Directive–1 entitled ''Reinvigorating America's Human Space Exploration Program'' (82 Fed. Reg. 239 (December 11, 2017)) and the National Space Exploration Campaign Report of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration issued in September 2018, will require carrying out human exploration and related extravehicular activities on the surface of other celestial bodies in a safe and cost-effective manner.

(5) The Johnson Space Center has decades of experience working with international partners, other Federal agencies, and partners in industry and academia to study, develop, and carry out the human spaceflight priorities of the United States.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) advances in space technology and space exploration capabilities ensure the long-term technological preeminence, economic competitiveness, STEM workforce development, and national security of the United States;

(2) the development of technologies that enable human exploration of the lunar surface and other celestial bodies is critical to the space industrial base of the United States;

(3) commercial entities in the United States have made significant investment and progress toward the development of human-class lunar landers;

(4) NASA developed the Artemis program—

(A) to fulfill the goal of landing United States astronauts, including the first woman and the next man, on the Moon; and

(B) to collaborate with commercial and international partners to establish sustainable lunar exploration by 2028;

(5) in carrying out the Artemis program, the Administrator should ensure that the entire Artemis program is inclusive and representative of all people of the United States, including women and minorities; and

(6) maintaining multiple technically credible providers within NASA commercial programs is a best practice that reduces programmatic risk.

(c) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy of the United States—

(1) to bolster the domestic space technology industrial base, using existing tools and authorities, particularly in areas central to competition between the United States and the People's Republic of China;

(2) to mitigate threats and minimize challenges to the superiority of the United States in space technology, including lunar infrastructure and lander capabilities;

(3) to continuously maintain the capability for a continuous human presence in low-Earth orbit through and beyond the useful life of the International Space Station; and

(4) that such capability shall—

(A) maintain the global leadership of the United States and relationships with partners and allies;

(B) contribute to the general welfare of the United States; and

(C) leverage commercial capabilities to promote affordability so as not to preclude a robust portfolio of other human space exploration activities.

(d) HUMAN LANDING SYSTEM PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall maintain competitiveness within the human landing system program by funding design, development, testing, and evaluation for not fewer than 2 entities.

(2) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the human landing system program referred to in paragraph (1), the Administrator shall, to the extent practicable—

(A) encourage reusability and sustainability of systems developed; and

(B) offer existing capabilities and assets of NASA centers to support such partnerships.

(3) BRIEFING.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall provide to the appropriate committees of Congress a briefing on the implementation of paragraph (1).

(4) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addition to amounts otherwise appropriated for the Artemis program, for fiscal years 2021 through 2025, there is authorized to be appropriated $10,032,000,000 to NASA to carry out the human landing system program.

(5) SAVINGS.—The Administrator shall not, in order to comply with the obligations referred to in paragraph (1), modify, terminate, or rescind any selection decisions or awards made under the human landing system program that were announced prior to the date of enactment of this division.

(e) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(1) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 2615. SPACE LAUNCH SYSTEM CONFIGURATIONS.

(a) MOBILE LAUNCH PLATFORM.—The Administrator is authorized to maintain 2 operational mobile launch platforms to enable the launch of multiple configurations of the Space Launch System.

(b) EXPLORATION UPPER STAGE.—To meet the capability requirements under section 302(c)(2) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18322(c)(2)), the Administrator shall continue development of the Exploration Upper Stage for the Space Launch System with a scheduled availability sufficient for use on the third launch of the Space Launch System.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall brief the appropriate

committees of Congress on the development and scheduled availability of the Exploration Upper Stage for the third launch of the Space Launch System.

(d) MAIN PROPULSION TEST ARTICLE.—To meet the requirements under section 302(c)(3) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18322(c)(3)), the Administrator shall—

(1) immediately on completion of the first full-duration integrated core stage test of the Space Launch System, initiate development of a main propulsion test article for the integrated core stage propulsion elements of the Space Launch System, consistent with cost and schedule constraints, particularly for long-lead propulsion hardware needed for flight;

(2) not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this division, submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a detailed plan for the development and operation of such main propulsion test article; and

(3) use existing capabilities of NASA centers for the design, manufacture, and operation of the main propulsion test article.

SEC. 2616. ADVANCED SPACESUITS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The civil service workforce of the Administration at the Johnson Space Center has unique capabilities to integrate, design, and validate space suits and associated EVA technologies.

(2) Maintaining a strong core competency in the design, development, manufacture, and operation of space suits and related technologies allows the Administration to be an informed purchaser of competitively awarded commercial space suits and associated EVA technologies.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that next-generation advanced spacesuits and associated EVA technologies are a critical technology for human space exploration and use of low-Earth orbit, cislunar space, the surface of the Moon, and Mars.

(c) DEVELOPMENT PLAN.—The Administrator shall establish a detailed plan for the development and manufacture of advanced spacesuits and associated EVA technologies, consistent with the deep space exploration goals and timetables of NASA.

(d) DIVERSE ASTRONAUT CORPS.—The Administrator shall ensure that spacesuits developed and manufactured after the date of the enactment of this division are capable of accommodating a wide range of sizes of astronauts so as to meet the needs of the diverse NASA astronaut corps.

(e) ISS USE.—Throughout the operational life of the ISS, the Administrator should fully use the ISS for testing advanced spacesuits.

(f) PRIOR INVESTMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In developing an advanced spacesuit, the Administrator, with the support of the Director of the Johnson Space Center, shall, to the maximum extent practicable, partner with industry-proven spacesuit design, development, and manufacturing suppliers and leverage prior and existing investments in advanced spacesuit technologies and existing capabilities at NASA centers to maximize the benefits of such investments and technologies.

(2) AGREEMENTS WITH PRIVATE ENTITIES.—In carrying out this subsection, the Administrator may enter into 1 or more agreements with 1 or more private entities for the manufacture of advanced spacesuits, as the Administrator considers appropriate.

(g) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this division, and semiannually thereafter until NASA procures advanced spacesuits under this section, the Administrator shall brief the appropriate committees of Congress on the development plan in subsection (b).

SEC. 2617. ACQUISITION OF DOMESTIC SPACE TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS RESUPPLY SERVICES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), the Administrator shall not enter into any contract with a person or entity that proposes to use, or will use, a foreign launch provider for a commercial service to provide space transportation or logistics resupply for—

(1) the ISS; or

(2) any Government-owned or Government-funded platform in Earth orbit or cislunar space, on the lunar surface, or elsewhere in space.

(b) EXCEPTION.—The Administrator may enter into a contract with a person or an entity that proposes to use, or will use, a foreign launch provider for a commercial service to carry out an activity described in subsection (a) if—

(1) a domestic vehicle or service is unavailable; or

(2) the launch vehicle or service is a contribution by a partner to an international no-exchange-of-funds collaborative effort.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the Administrator from entering into 1 or more no-exchange-of-funds collaborative agreements with an international partner in support of the deep space exploration plan of NASA.

SEC. 2618. ROCKET ENGINE TEST INFRASTRUCTURE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall continue to carry out a program to modernize rocket propulsion test infrastructure at NASA facilities—

(1) to increase capabilities;

(2) to enhance safety;

(3) to support propulsion development and testing; and

(4) to foster the improvement of Government and commercial space transportation and exploration.

(b) PROJECTS.—Projects funded under the program described in subsection (a) may include—

(1) infrastructure and other facilities and systems relating to rocket propulsion test stands and rocket propulsion testing;

(2) enhancements to test facility capacity and flexibility; and

(3) such other projects as the Administrator considers appropriate to meet the goals described in that subsection.

(c) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the program under subsection (a), the Administrator shall—

(1) prioritize investments in projects that enhance test and flight certification capabilities for large thrust-level atmospheric and altitude engines and engine systems, and multi-engine integrated test capabilities;

(2) continue to make underutilized test facilities available for commercial use on a reimbursable basis; and

(3) ensure that no project carried out under this program adversely impacts, delays, or defers testing or other activities associated with facilities used for Government programs, including—

(A) the Space Launch System and the Exploration Upper Stage of the Space Launch System;

(B) in-space propulsion to support exploration missions; or

(C) nuclear propulsion testing.

(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall preclude a NASA program, including the Space Launch System and the Exploration Upper Stage of the Space Launch System, from using the modernized test infrastructure developed under this section.

(e) WORKING CAPITAL FUND STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the use of the authority under section 30102 of title 51, United States Code, to promote increased use of NASA rocket propulsion test infrastructure for research, development, testing, and evaluation activities by other Federal agencies, firms, associations, corporations, and educational institutions.

(2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) An assessment of prior use, if any, of the authority under section 30102 of title 51, United States Code, to improve testing infrastructure.

(B) An analysis of any barrier to implementation of such authority for the purpose of promoting increased use of NASA rocket propulsion test infrastructure.

SEC. 2619. PEARL RIVER MAINTENANCE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall coordinate with the Chief of the Army Corps of Engineers to ensure the continued navigability of the Pearl River and Little Lake channels sufficient to support NASA barge operations surrounding Stennis Space Center and the Michoud Assembly Facility.

(b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on efforts under subsection (a).

(c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(1) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, the Committee on Environment and Public Works, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 2620. VALUE OF INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION AND CAPABILITIES IN LOW-EARTH ORBIT.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) it is in the national and economic security interests of the United States to maintain a continuous human presence in low-Earth orbit;

(2) low-Earth orbit should be used as a test bed to advance human space exploration and scientific discoveries; and

(3) the ISS is a critical component of economic, commercial, and industrial development in low-Earth orbit.

(b) HUMAN PRESENCE REQUIREMENT.—The United States shall continuously maintain the capability for a continuous human presence in low-Earth orbit through and beyond the useful life of the ISS.

SEC. 2621. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION.

(a) POLICY.—Section 501(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18351(a)) is amended by striking ''2024'' and inserting ''2030''.

(b) MAINTENANCE OF UNITED STATES SEGMENT AND ASSURANCE OF CONTINUED OPERATIONS.—Section 503(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18353(a)) is amended by striking ''September 30, 2024'' and inserting ''September 30, 2030''.

(c) RESEARCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION AND INTEGRATION OF RESEARCH PAYLOADS.—Section

504(d) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18354(d)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), in the first sentence—

(A) by striking ''As soon as practicable'' and all that follows through ''2011,'' and inserting ''The''; and

(B) by striking ''September 30, 2024'' and inserting ''September 30, 2030''; and

(2) in paragraph (2), in the third sentence, by striking ''September 30, 2024'' and inserting ''September 30, 2030''.

(d) MAINTENANCE OF USE.—Section 70907 of title 51, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking ''**2024**'' and inserting ''**2030**'';

(2) in subsection (a), by striking ''September 30, 2024'' and inserting ''September 30, 2030''; and

(3) in subsection (b)(3), by striking ''September 30, 2024'' and inserting ''September 30, 2030''.

(e) TRANSITION PLAN REPORTS.—Section 50111(c)(2) of title 51, United States Code is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''2023'' and inserting ''2028''; and

(2) in subparagraph (J), by striking ''2028'' and inserting ''2030''.

(f) ELIMINATION OF INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION NATIONAL LABORATORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—Section 70906 of title 51, United States Code, is repealed.

(g) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Chapter 709 of title 51, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating section 70907 as section 70906; and

(2) in the table of sections for the chapter, by striking the items relating to sections 70906 and 70907 and inserting the following:

''70906. Maintaining use through at least 2030.''.

SEC. 2621A. TRANSITION STRATEGY FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 300 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a strategy that—

(1) describes the manner in which the Administration will ensure a stepwise transition to an eventual successor platform consistent with the ISS Transition Principles specified in the International Space Station Transition Report issued pursuant to section 50111(c)(2) of title 51, United States Code, on March 30, 2018;

(2) includes capability-driven milestones and timelines leading to such a transition;

(3) takes into account the importance of maintaining workforce expertise, core capabilities, and continuity at the centers of the Administration, including such centers that are primarily focused on human spaceflight;

(4) considers how any transition described in paragraph (1) affects international and commercial partnerships;

(5) presents opportunities for future engagement with—

(A) international partners;

(B) countries with growing spaceflight capabilities, if such engagement is not precluded by other provisions of law;

(C) the scientific community, including the microgravity research community;

(D) the private sector; and

(E) other United States Government users; and

(6) promotes the continued economic development of low-Earth orbit.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—The strategy required by subsection (a) shall include an implementation plan describing the manner in which the Administration plans to carry out such strategy.

(c) REPORT.—Not less frequently than biennially, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the implementation of the strategy required by subsection (a).

SEC. 2622. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACTIVITIES ON INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) identify and review each activity, program, and project of the Department of Defense completed, being carried out, or planned to be carried out on the ISS as of the date of the review; and

(2) provide to the appropriate committees of Congress a briefing that describes the results of the review.

(b) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(1) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 2623. COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN LOW-EARTH ORBIT.

(a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the United States to encourage the development of a thriving and robust United States commercial sector in low-Earth orbit.

(b) PREFERENCE FOR UNITED STATES COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.—The Administrator shall continue to increase the use of assets, products, and services of private entities in the United States to fulfill the low-Earth orbit requirements of the Administration.

(c) NONCOMPETITION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Administrator may not offer to a foreign person or a foreign government a spaceflight product or service relating to the ISS, if a comparable spaceflight product or service, as applicable, is offered by a private entity in the United States.

(2) EXCEPTION.—The Administrator may offer a spaceflight product or service relating to the ISS to the government of a country that is a signatory to the Agreement Among the Government of Canada, Governments of Member States of the European Space Agency, the Government of Japan, the Government of the Russian Federation, and the Government of the United States of America Concerning Cooperation on the Civil International Space Station, signed at Washington January 29, 1998, and entered into force on March 27, 2001 (TIAS 12927), including an international partner astronaut (as defined in section 50902 of title 51, United States Code) that is sponsored by the government of such a country.

(d) SHORT-DURATION COMMERCIAL MISSIONS.—To provide opportunities for additional transport of astronauts to the ISS and help establish a commercial market in low-Earth orbit, the Administrator may permit short-duration missions to the ISS for commercial passengers on a fully or partially reimbursable basis.

(e) PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Administrator shall establish a low-Earth orbit commercial development program to encourage the fullest commercial use and development of space by private entities in the United States.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The program established under paragraph (1) shall, to the maximum extent practicable, include activities—

(A) to stimulate demand for—

(i) space-based commercial research, development, and manufacturing;

(ii) spaceflight products and services; and

(iii) human spaceflight products and services in low-Earth orbit;

(B) to improve the capability of the ISS to accommodate commercial users; and

(C) subject to paragraph (3), to foster the development of commercial space stations and habitats.

(3) COMMERCIAL SPACE STATIONS AND HABITATS.—

(A) PRIORITY.—With respect to an activity to develop a commercial space station or habitat, the Administrator shall give priority to an activity for which a private entity provides a significant share of the cost to develop and operate the activity.

(B) REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after the date that an award or agreement is made to carry out an activity to develop a commercial space station or habitat, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the development of the commercial space station or habitat, as applicable, that includes—

(i) a business plan that describes the manner in which the project will—

(I) meet the future requirements of NASA for low-Earth orbit human space-flight services; and

(II) fulfill the cost-share funding prioritization under subparagraph (A); and

(ii) a review of the viability of the operational business case, including—

(I) the level of expected Government participation;

(II) a list of anticipated nongovernmental an international customers and associated contributions; and

(III) an assessment of long-term sustainability for the nongovernmental customers, including an independent assessment of the viability of the market for such commercial services or products.

SEC. 2624. MAINTAINING A NATIONAL LABORATORY IN SPACE.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the United States segment of the International Space Station (as defined in section 70905 of title 51, United States Code), which is designated as a national laboratory under section 70905(b) of title 51, United States Code—

(A) benefits the scientific community and promotes commerce in space;

(B) fosters stronger relationships among NASA and other Federal agencies, the private sector, and research groups and universities;

(C) advances science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education through use of the unique microgravity environment; and

(D) advances human knowledge and international cooperation;

(2) after the ISS is decommissioned, the United States should maintain a national microgravity laboratory in space;

(3) in maintaining a national microgravity laboratory in space, the United States should make appropriate accommodations for different types of ownership and operation arrangements for the ISS and future space stations;

(4) to the maximum extent practicable, a national microgravity laboratory in space should be maintained in cooperation with international space partners; and

(5) NASA should continue to support fundamental science research on future platforms in low-Earth orbit and cislunar space, orbital and suborbital flights, drop towers, and other microgravity testing environments.

(b) REPORT.—The Administrator, in coordination with the National Space Council and other Federal agencies as the Administrator considers appropriate, shall issue a report detailing the feasibility of establishing a microgravity national laboratory federally funded research and development center to

carry out activities relating to the study and use of in-space conditions.

SEC. 2625. INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION NATIONAL LABORATORY; PROPERTY RIGHTS IN INVENTIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter III of chapter 201 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"§ 20150. Property rights in designated inventions

''(a) EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY RIGHTS.—Notwithstanding section 3710a of title 15, chapter 18 of title 35, section 20135, or any other provision of law, a designated invention shall be the exclusive property of a user, and shall not be subject to a Government-purpose license, if—

''(1)(A) the Administration is reimbursed under the terms of the contract for the full cost of a contribution by the Federal Government of the use of Federal facilities, equipment, materials, proprietary information of the Federal Government, or services of a Federal employee during working hours, including the cost for the Administration to carry out its responsibilities under paragraphs (1) and (4) of section 504(d) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18354(d));

''(B) Federal funds are not transferred to the user under the contract; and

''(C) the designated invention was made (as defined in section 20135(a))—

''(i) solely by the user; or

''(ii)(I) by the user with the services of a Federal employee under the terms of the contract; and

''(II) the Administration is reimbursed for such services under subparagraph (B); or

''(2) the Administrator determines that the relevant field of commercial endeavor is sufficiently immature that granting exclusive property rights to the user is necessary to help bolster demand for products and services produced on crewed or crew-tended space stations.

''(b) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—On completion of a determination made under paragraph (2), the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a notification of the determination that includes a written justification.

''(c) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—A determination or part of such determination under paragraph (1) shall be made available to the public on request, as required under section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the 'Freedom of Information Act').

''(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section may be construed to affect the rights of the Federal Government, including property rights in inventions, under any contract, except in the case of a written contract with the Administration or the ISS management entity for the performance of a designated activity.

''(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

''(1) CONTRACT.—The term 'contract' has the meaning giving the term in section 20135(a).

''(2) DESIGNATED ACTIVITY.—The term 'designated activity' means any non-NASA scientific use of the ISS national laboratory as described in section 504 of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18354).

''(3) DESIGNATED INVENTION.—The term 'designated invention' means any invention, product, or service conceived or first reduced to practice by any person in the performance of a designated activity under a written contract with the Administration or the ISS management entity.

''(4) FULL COST.—The term 'full cost' means the cost of transporting materials or passengers to and from the ISS, including any power needs, the disposal of mass, crew member time, stowage, power on the ISS, data downlink, crew consumables, and life support.

''(5) GOVERNMENT-PURPOSE LICENSE.—The term 'Government-purpose license' means the reservation by the Federal Government of an irrevocable, nonexclusive, nontransferable, royalty-free license for the use of an invention throughout the world by or on behalf of the United States or any foreign government pursuant to a treaty or agreement with the United States.

''(6) ISS MANAGEMENT ENTITY.—The term 'ISS management entity' means the organization with which the Administrator enters into a cooperative agreement under section 504(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18354(a)).

''(7) USER.—The term 'user' means a person, including a nonprofit organization or small business firm (as such terms are defined in section 201 of title 35), or class of persons that enters into a written contract with the Administration or the ISS management entity for the performance of designated activities.''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 201 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 20149 the following:

''20150. Property rights in designated inventions.''.

SEC. 2626. DATA FIRST PRODUCED DURING NON-NASA SCIENTIFIC USE OF THE ISS NATIONAL LABORATORY.

(a) DATA RIGHTS.—Subchapter III of chapter 201 of title 51, United States Code, as amended by section 2625, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

"§ 20151. Data rights

''(a) NON-NASA SCIENTIFIC USE OF THE ISS NATIONAL LABORATORY.—The Federal Government may not use or reproduce, or disclose outside of the Government, any data first produced in the performance of a designated activity under a written contract with the Administration or the ISS management entity, unless—

''(1) otherwise agreed under the terms of the contract with the Administration or the ISS management entity, as applicable;

''(2) the designated activity is carried out with Federal funds;

''(3) disclosure is required by law;

''(4) the Federal Government has rights in the data under another Federal contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or other transaction; or

''(5) the data is—

''(A) otherwise lawfully acquired or independently developed by the Federal Government;

''(B) related to the health and safety of personnel on the ISS; or

''(C) essential to the performance of work by the ISS management entity or NASA personnel.

''(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) CONTRACT.—The term 'contract' has the meaning given the term under section 20135(a).

''(2) DATA.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'data' means recorded information, regardless of form or the media on which it may be recorded.

''(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term 'data' includes technical data and computer software.

''(C) EXCLUSIONS.—The term 'data' does not include information incidental to contract administration, such as financial, administrative, cost or pricing, or management information.

''(3) DESIGNATED ACTIVITY.—The term 'designated activity' has the meaning given the term in section 20150.

''(4) ISS MANAGEMENT ENTITY.—The term 'ISS management entity' has the meaning given the term in section 20150.''.

(b) SPECIAL HANDLING OF TRADE SECRETS OR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.—Section 20131(b)(2) of title 51, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

''(2) INFORMATION DESCRIBED.—

''(A) ACTIVITIES UNDER AGREEMENT.—Information referred to in paragraph (1) is information that—

''(i) results from activities conducted under an agreement entered into under subsections (e) and (f) of section 20113; and

''(ii) would be a trade secret or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential within the meaning of section 552(b)(4) of title 5 if the information had been obtained from a non-Federal party participating in such an agreement.

''(B) CERTAIN DATA.—Information referred to in paragraph (1) includes data (as defined in section 20151) that—

''(i) was first produced by the Administration in the performance of any designated activity (as defined in section 20150); and

''(ii) would be a trade secret or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential within the meaning of section 552(b)(4) of title 5 if the data had been obtained from a non-Federal party.''.

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 201 of title 51, United States Code, as amended by section 2625, is further amended by inserting after the item relating to section 20150 the following:

''20151. Data rights.''.

SEC. 2627. PAYMENTS RECEIVED FOR COMMERCIAL SPACE-ENABLED PRODUCTION ON THE ISS.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the Administrator should determine a threshold for NASA to recover the costs of supporting the commercial development of products or services aboard the ISS, through the negotiation of agreements, similar to agreements made by other Federal agencies that support private sector innovation; and

(2) the amount of such costs that to be recovered or profits collected through such agreements should be applied by the Administrator through a tiered process, taking into consideration the relative maturity and profitability of the applicable product or service.

(b) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter III of chapter 201 of title 51, United States Code, as amended by section 2626, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

"§ 20152. Payments received for commercial space-enable production

''(a) ANNUAL REVIEW.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this section, and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall review the profitability of any partnership with a private entity under a contract in which the Administrator—

''(A) permits the use of the ISS by such private entities to produce a commercial product or service; and

''(B) provides the total unreimbursed cost of a contribution by the Federal Government for the use of Federal facilities, equipment, materials, proprietary information of the Federal Government, or services of a Federal employee during working hours, including the cost for the Administration to carry out its responsibilities under paragraphs (1) and (4) of section 504(d) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18354(d)).

''(2) NEGOTIATION OF REIMBURSEMENTS.—Subject to the review described in paragraph

(1), the Administrator shall seek to enter into an agreement to negotiate reimbursements for payments received, or portions of profits created, by any mature, profitable private entity described in that paragraph, as appropriate, through a tiered process that reflects the profitability of the relevant product or service.

''(3) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts received by the Administrator in accordance with an agreement under paragraph (2) shall be used by the Administrator in the following order of priority:

''(A) To defray the operating cost of the ISS.

''(B) To develop, implement, or operate future low-Earth orbit platforms or capabilities.

''(C) To develop, implement, or operate future human deep space platforms or capabilities.

''(D) Any other costs the Administrator considers appropriate.

''(4) REPORT.—On completion of the first annual review under paragraph (1), and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that includes a description of the results of the annual review, any agreement entered into under this section, and the amounts recouped or obtained under any such agreement.

''(b) LICENSING AND ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTIONS.—Notwithstanding sections 3710a and 3710c of title 15 and any other provision of law, after payment in accordance with subsection (A)(i) of such section 3710c(a)(1)(A)(i) to the inventors who have directly assigned to the Federal Government their interests in an invention under a written contract with the Administration or the ISS management entity for the performance of a designated activity, the balance of any royalty or other payment received by the Administrator or the ISS management entity from licensing and assignment of such invention shall be paid by the Administrator or the ISS management entity, as applicable, to the Space Exploration Fund.

''(c) SPACE EXPLORATION FUND.—

''(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a fund, to be known as the 'Space Exploration Fund' (referred to in this subsection as the 'Fund'), to be administered by the Administrator.

''(2) USE OF FUND.—The Fund shall be available to carry out activities described in subsection (a)(3).

''(3) DEPOSITS.—There shall be deposited in the Fund—

''(A) amounts appropriated to the Fund;

''(B) fees and royalties collected by the Administrator or the ISS management entity under subsections (a) and (b); and

''(C) donations or contributions designated to support authorized activities.

''(4) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Amounts available to the Administrator under this subsection shall be—

''(A) in addition to amounts otherwise made available for the purpose described in paragraph (2); and

''(B) available for a period of 5 years, to the extent and in the amounts provided in annual appropriation Acts.

''(d) DEFINITIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, any term used in this section that is also used in section 20150 shall have the meaning given the term in that section.

''(2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term 'appropriate committees of Congress' means—

''(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

''(B) the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.''.

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 201 of title 51, United States Code, as amended by section and 2626, is further amended by inserting after the item relating to section 20151 the following:

''20152. Payments received for commercial space-enabled production.''.

SEC. 2628. STEPPING STONE APPROACH TO EXPLORATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 70504 of title 51, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

''§ 70504. Stepping stone approach to exploration

''(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator, in sustainable steps, may conduct missions to intermediate destinations, such as the Moon, in accordance with section 20302(b), and on a timetable determined by the availability of funding, in order to achieve the objective of human exploration of Mars specified in section 202(b)(5) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18312(b)(5)), if the Administrator—

''(1) determines that each such mission demonstrates or advances a technology or operational concept that will enable human missions to Mars; and

''(2) incorporates each such mission into the human exploration roadmap under section 432 of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Transition Authorization Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–10; 51 U.S.C. 20302 note).

''(b) CISLUNAR SPACE EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES.—In conducting a mission under subsection (a), the Administrator shall—

''(1) use a combination of launches of the Space Launch System and space transportation services from United States commercial providers, as appropriate, for the mission;

''(2) plan for not fewer than 1 Space Launch System launch annually beginning after the first successful crewed launch of Orion on the Space Launch System; and

''(3) establish an outpost in orbit around the Moon that—

''(A) demonstrates technologies, systems, and operational concepts directly applicable to the space vehicle that will be used to transport humans to Mars;

''(B) has the capability for periodic human habitation; and

''(C) can function as a point of departure, return, or staging for Administration or nongovernmental or international partner missions to multiple locations on the lunar surface or other destinations.

''(c) COST-EFFECTIVENESS.—To maximize the cost-effectiveness of the long-term space exploration and utilization activities of the United States, the Administrator shall take all necessary steps, including engaging nongovernmental and international partners, to ensure that activities in the Administration's human space exploration program are balanced in order to help meet the requirements of future exploration and utilization activities leading to human habitation on the surface of Mars.

''(d) COMPLETION.—Within budgetary considerations, once an exploration-related project enters its development phase, the Administrator shall seek, to the maximum extent practicable, to complete that project without undue delay.

''(e) INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION.—To achieve the goal of successfully conducting a crewed mission to the surface of Mars, the Administrator shall invite the partners in the ISS program and other nations, as appropriate, to participate in an international initiative under the leadership of the United States.''.

(b) DEFINITION OF CISLUNAR SPACE.—Section 10101 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(3) CISLUNAR SPACE.—The term 'cislunar space' means the region of space beyond low-Earth orbit out to and including the region around the surface of the Moon.''.

(c) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 3 of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18302) is amended by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and inserting the following:

''(2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term 'appropriate committees of Congress' means—

''(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate; and

''(B) the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives.

''(3) CISLUNAR SPACE.—The term 'cislunar space' means the region of space beyond low-Earth orbit out to and including the region around the surface of the Moon.''.

SEC. 2628A. HUMAN SPACE FACILITIES IN AND BEYOND LOW-EARTH ORBIT.

(a) HUMAN SPACE FACILITY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''human space facility'' means a structure for use in or beyond low-Earth orbit that supports, or has the potential to support, human life.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that human space facilities play a significant role in the long-term pursuit by the Administration of the exploration goals under section 202(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18312(a)).

(c) REPORT ON CREWED AND UNCREWED HUMAN SPACE FACILITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the potential development of 1 or more human space facilities.

(2) CONTENTS.—With respect to the potential development of each human space facility referred to in paragraph (1), the report required under such paragraph shall include a description of the following:

(A) The capacity of the human space facility to advance, enable, or complement human exploration of the solar system, including human exploration of the atmosphere and the surface of celestial bodies.

(B) The role of the human space facility as a staging, logistics, and operations hub in exploration architecture.

(C) The capacity of the human space facility to support the research, development, testing, validation, operation, and launch of space exploration systems and technologies.

(D) Opportunities and strategies for commercial operation or public-private partnerships with respect to the human space facility that protect taxpayer interests and foster competition.

(E) The role of the human space facility in encouraging further crewed and uncrewed exploration investments.

(F) The manner in which the development and maintenance of the International Space Station would reduce the cost of, and time necessary for, the development of the human space facility.

(d) CISLUNAR SPACE EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES.—The Administrator shall establish an outpost in orbit around the Moon that—

(1) demonstrates technologies, systems, and operational concepts directly applicable to the space vehicle that will be used to transport humans to Mars;

(2) has the capability for periodic human habitation; and

(3) can function as a point of departure, return, or staging for Administration or nongovernmental or international partner missions to multiple locations on the lunar surface or other destinations.

SEC. 2628B. REPORT ON RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT RELATING TO LIFE-SUSTAINING TECHNICAL SYSTEMS AND PLAN FOR ACHIEVING POWER SUPPLY.

Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress—

(1) a report on the research and development of the Administration relating to technical systems for the self-sufficient sustainment of life in and beyond low-Earth orbit; and

(2) a plan for achieving a power supply on the Moon that includes—

(A) a consideration of the resources necessary to accomplish such plan in the subsequent—

(i) 1 to 3 years;

(ii) 3 to 5 years; and

(iii) 5 to 10 years;

(B) collaboration and input from industry and the Department of Energy, specifically the Advanced Research Projects Agency–Energy;

(C) the use of a variety of types of energy, including solar and nuclear; and

(D) a detailed description of the resources necessary for the Administration to build a lunar power facility with human-tended maintenance requirements during the subsequent 10-year period.

SA 1858. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. COTTON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 349, beginning on line 23, strike ''expended.'' and all that follows through page 350, line 13 and insert the following:

expended.''.

SA 1859. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE IV—INDIVIDUAL TAX PROVISIONS MADE PERMANENT

SEC. ____01. FINDINGS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Innovation in the United States has been and will continue to be the main driver of technological progress and economic growth.

(2) Taxation, in the form of both personal income taxes and corporate income taxes, matters for innovation along the intensive and extensive margins and both at the micro and macro levels.

(3) From 1900 to 2000, States with the most innovations also witnessed the fastest growth.

(4) Globally, the evidence demonstrates that countries with an overall lower tax burden will enjoy a higher level of innovation, greater quality of innovation, and more robust inventive activity.

(5) Efficient tax policy can provide effective incentives for many economic activities, including innovation.

(6) Inefficient tax policy can create heavy, deadweight burdens, hurt incentives, and slow down innovation.

(7) High rates of corporate and personal income taxation negatively affect the quantity, quality, and location of innovation at the individual, organizational, and State level.

SEC. ____02. PERMANENT MODIFICATION OF INDIVIDUAL RATE BRACKETS.

(a) MARRIED INDIVIDUALS FILING JOINT RETURNS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES.—The table contained in subsection (a) of section 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

"If taxable income is:	The tax is:
Not over $19,050	10% of taxable income.
Over $19,050 but not over $77,400	$1,905, plus 12% of the excess over $19,050.
Over $77,400 but not over $165,000	$8,907, plus 22% of the excess over $77,400.
Over $165,000 but not over $315,000	$28,179, plus 24% of the excess over $165,000.
Over $315,000 but not over $400,000	$64,179, plus 32% of the excess over $315,000.
Over $400,000 but not over $600,000	$91,379, plus 35% of the excess over $400,000.
Over $600,000	$161,379, plus 37% of the excess over $600,000.''.

(b) HEADS OF HOUSEHOLDS.—The table contained in subsection (b) of section 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

"If taxable income is:	The tax is:
Not over $13,600	10% of taxable income.
Over $13,600 but not over $51,800	$1,360, plus 12% of the excess over $13,600.
Over $51,800 but not over $82,500	$5,944, plus 22% of the excess over $51,800.
Over $82,500 but not over $157,500	$12,698, plus 24% of the excess over $82,500.
Over $157,500 but not over $200,000	$30,698, plus 32% of the excess over $157,500.
Over $200,000 but not over $500,000	$44,298, plus 35% of the excess over $200,000.
Over $500,000	$149,298, plus 37% of the excess over $500,000.''.

(c) UNMARRIED INDIVIDUALS OTHER THAN SURVIVING SPOUSES AND HEADS OF HOUSEHOLDS.—The table contained in subsection (c) of section 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

"If taxable income is:	The tax is:
Not over $9,525	10% of taxable income.
Over $9,525 but not over $38,700	$952.50, plus 12% of the excess over $9,525.
Over $38,700 but not over $82,500	$4,453.50, plus 22% of the excess over $38,700.
Over $82,500 but not over $157,500	$14,089.50, plus 24% of the excess over $82,500.
Over $157,500 but not over $200,000	$32,089.50, plus 32% of the excess over $157,500.
Over $200,000 but not over $500,000	$45,689.50, plus 35% of the excess over $200,000.
Over $500,000	$150,689.50, plus 37% of the excess over $500,000.''.

(d) MARRIED INDIVIDUALS FILING SEPARATE RETURNS.—The table contained in subsection (d) of section 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

"If taxable income is:	The tax is:
Not over $9,525	10% of taxable income.
Over $9,525 but not over $38,700	$952.50, plus 12% of the excess over $9,525.
Over $38,700 but not over $82,500	$4,453.50, plus 22% of the excess over $38,700.
Over $82,500 but not over $157,500	$14,089.50, plus 24% of the excess over $82,500.
Over $157,500 but not over $200,000	$32,089.50, plus 32% of the excess over $157,500.
Over $200,000 but not over $300,000	$45,689.50, plus 35% of the excess over $200,000.
Over $300,000	$80,689.50, plus 37% of the excess over $300,000.''.

(e) ESTATES AND TRUSTS.—The table contained in subsection (e) of section 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

"If taxable income is:	The tax is:
Not over $2,550	10% of taxable income.
Over $2,550 but not over $9,150	$255, plus 24% of the excess over $2,550.
Over $9,150 but not over $12,500	$1,839, plus 35% of the excess over $9,150.
Over $12,500	$3,011.50, plus 37% of the excess over $12,500.''.

(f) ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION.—Subsection (f) of section 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking ''1993'' in paragraph (1) and inserting ''2018'',

(2) by striking ''determined—'' and all that follows in paragraph (2)(A) and inserting ''determined by substituting '2017' for '2016' in paragraph (3)(A)(ii),'',

(3) by striking ''a married individual filing a separate return'' in paragraph (7)(B) and inserting ''any unmarried individual other than a surviving spouse or head of household'',

(4) by striking ''MARRIED INDIVIDUALS FILING SEPARATELY'' in the heading of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (7) and inserting ''CERTAIN UNMARRIED INDIVIDUALS'', and

(5) by striking paragraph (8).

(g) CAPITAL GAINS BRACKETS.—Subsection (h) of section 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking ''which would (without regard to this paragraph) be taxed at a rate below 25 percent'' in paragraph (1)(B)(i) and inserting ''below the maximum zero rate amount'',

(2) by striking ''which would (without regard to this paragraph) be taxed at a rate below 39.6 percent'' in paragraph (1)(C)(ii)(I) and inserting ''below the maximum 15-percent rate amount'', and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(12) MAXIMUM AMOUNTS DEFINED.—For purposes of this subsection—

''(A) MAXIMUM ZERO RATE AMOUNT.—The maximum zero rate amount shall be—

''(i) in the case of a joint return or surviving spouse, $77,200,

''(ii) in the case of an individual who is a head of household (as defined in section 2(b)), $51,700,

''(iii) in the case of any other individual (other than an estate or trust), an amount equal to ½ of the amount in effect for the taxable year under clause (i), and

''(iv) in the case of an estate or trust, $2,600.

''(B) MAXIMUM 15-PERCENT RATE AMOUNT.—The maximum 15-percent rate amount shall be—

''(i) in the case of a joint return or surviving spouse, $479,000 (½ such amount in the case of a married individual filing a separate return),

''(ii) in the case of an individual who is the head of a household (as defined in section 2(b)), $452,400,

''(iii) in the case of any other individual (other than an estate or trust), $425,800, and

''(iv) in the case of an estate or trust, $12,700.

''(C) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—In the case of any taxable year beginning after 2018, each of the dollar amounts in subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

''(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

''(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under subsection (f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, determined by substituting 'calendar year 2017' for 'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.

If any increase under this subparagraph is not a multiple of $50, such increase shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of $50.''.

(h) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subsections (i) and (j).

(2) Section 3402(q)(1) of such Code is amended by striking ''third lowest'' and inserting ''fourth lowest''.

(i) SECTION 15 NOT TO APPLY.—Section 15 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall not apply to any change in a rate of tax by reason of this section.

(j) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ____03. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF DEDUCTION FOR QUALIFIED BUSINESS INCOME OF PASS-THRU ENTITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 199A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subsection (i).

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ____04. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF LIMITATION ON LOSSES FOR TAXPAYERS OTHER THAN CORPORATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 461(l) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

''(1) LIMITATION.—In the case of taxable year of a taxpayer other than a corporation, any excess business loss of the taxpayer for the taxable year shall not be allowed.''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 461 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subsection (j) (relating to limitation on excess farm losses of certain taxpayers).

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ____05. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF INCREASE IN STANDARD DEDUCTION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 63(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking ''$4,400'' in subparagraph (B) and inserting ''$18,800'', and

(2) by striking ''$3,000'' in subparagraph (C) and inserting ''$12,000''.

(b) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—Paragraph (4) of section 63(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

''(4) ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any taxable year beginning in a calendar year after 2018, the $18,000 and $12,000 amounts in subparagraph (A) shall each be increased by an amount equal to—

''(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

''(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, by substituting '2017' for '2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.

''(B) CERTAIN AMOUNTS.—In the case of any taxable year beginning in a calendar year after 1988, each dollar amount contained in paragraph (5) or subsection (f) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

''(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

''(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, by substituting for 'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof—

''(I) 'calendar year 1987' in the case of the dollar amounts contained in paragraph (5)(A) or subsection (f), and

''(II) 'calendar year 1997' in the case of the dollar amount contained in paragraph (5)(B).''.

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 63(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking paragraph (7).

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ____06. PERMANENT INCREASE AND MODIFICATION OF CHILD TAX CREDIT.

(a) INCREASE IN CREDIT AMOUNT.—Section 24(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''$1,000'' and inserting ''$2,000''.

(b) LIMITATION.—Paragraph (2) of section 24(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

''(2) THRESHOLD AMOUNT.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'threshold amount' means—

''(A) $400,000 in the case of a joint return, and

''(B) $200,000 in any other case.''.

(c) PARTIAL CREDIT ALLOWED FOR CERTAIN OTHER DEPENDENTS.—Subsection (h) of section 24 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

''(h) PARTIAL CREDIT ALLOWED FOR CERTAIN OTHER DEPENDENTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The credit determined under subsection (a) shall be increased by $500 for each dependent of the taxpayer (as defined in section 7706) other than a qualifying child described in subsection (c).

''(2) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN NONCITIZENS.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply with respect to any individual who would not be a dependent if subparagraph (A) of section 7706(b)(3) were applied without regard to all that follows 'resident of the United States'.

''(3) CERTAIN QUALIFYING CHILDREN.—In the case of any qualifying child with respect to whom a credit is not allowed under this section by reason of subsection (e)(1), such child shall be treated as a dependent to whom subparagraph (A) applies.''.

(d) MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF REFUNDABLE CREDIT.—Subsection (d) of section 24 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:

''(3) LIMITATION.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The amount determined under paragraph (1)(A) with respect to any qualifying child shall not exceed $1,400, and such paragraph shall be applied without regard to subsection (h).

''(B) ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION.—In the case of a taxable year beginning after 2018, the $1,400 amount in subparagraph (A) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

''(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

''(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, determined by substituting '2017' for '2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.

If any increase under this clause is not a multiple of $100, such increase shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of $100.''.

(e) EARNED INCOME THRESHOLD FOR REFUNDABLE CREDIT.—Section 24(d)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''$3,000'' and inserting ''$2,500''.

(f) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER REQUIRED.—Paragraph (1) of section 24(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

''(1) QUALIFYING CHILD SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER REQUIREMENT.—No credit shall be allowed under this section to a taxpayer with respect to any qualifying child unless the taxpayer includes the name and social security number of such child on the return of tax for the taxable year. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the term 'social security number' means a social security number issued to an individual by the Social Security Administration, but only if the social security number is issued—

''(A) to a citizen of the United States or pursuant to subclause (I) (or that portion of subclause (III) that relates to subclause (I)) of section 205(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act, and

''(B) before the due date for such return.''.

(g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021.

SEC. ____07. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF INCREASED LIMITATION FOR CERTAIN CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 170(b)(1)(G) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking ''for any taxable year beginning after December 31, 2017, and before January 1, 2026,'' in clause (i),

(2) by striking ''for any taxable year described in such clause'' in clause (ii), and

(3) by striking ''For each taxable year described in clause (i), and each taxable year to which any contribution under this subparagraph is carried over under clause (ii), subparagraph (A)'' in clause (iii) and inserting ''Subparagraph (A)''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to contributions in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2025.

SEC. ____08. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF INCREASED CONTRIBUTIONS TO ABLE ACCOUNTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 529A(b)(2)(B)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''before January 1, 2026''.

(b) ALLOWANCE OF SAVERS CREDIT.—Section 25B(d)(1)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''before January 1, 2026,''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. ____09. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF ROLLOVERS TO ABLE PROGRAMS FROM 529 PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 529(c)(3)(C)(i)(III) is amended by striking ''before January 1, 2026,''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to distributions made after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. ____10. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF TREATMENT OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS PERFORMING SERVICES IN THE SINAI PENINSULA OF EGYPT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (c) of section 11026 of Public Law 115–97 is amended—

(1) by striking ''beginning before January 1, 2026'' in paragraph (1)(B), and

(2) by striking ''beginning before January 1, 2026'' in paragraph (2)(B).

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. ____11. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF TREATMENT OF STUDENT LOANS DISCHARGED ON ACCOUNT OF DEATH OR DISABILITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (A) of section 108(f)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''and before January 1, 2026,''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to discharges of indebtedness after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ____12. REPEAL OF DEDUCTION FOR PERSONAL EXEMPTIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part V of subchapter B of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is hereby repealed.

(b) DEFINITION OF DEPENDENT RETAINED.—Section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, prior to repeal by subsection (a), is hereby redesignated as section 7706 of such Code and moved to the end of chapter 79 of such Code.

(c) APPLICATION TO ESTATES AND TRUSTS.—Subparagraph (C) of section 642(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking ''the exemption amount under section 151(d)'' in clause (i) and inserting ''$4,150'', and

(2) by striking clause (iii) and inserting the following:

''(iii) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—In the case of any taxable year beginning in a calendar year after 2018, the $4,150 amount in clause (i) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

''(I) such dollar amount, multiplied by

''(II) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable begins, determined by substituting '2017' for '2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.

If any increase determined under the preceding sentence is not a multiple of $100, such increase shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of $100.''.

(d) APPLICATION TO NONRESIDENT ALIENS.—Section 873(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking paragraph (3).

(e) MODIFICATION OF RETURN REQUIREMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6012 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(A) by striking paragraph (1) of subsection (a) and inserting the following:

''(1) Every individual who has gross income for the taxable year, except that a return shall not be required of—

''(A) an individual who is not married (determined by applying section 7703) and who has gross income for the taxable year which does not exceed the standard deduction applicable to such individual for such taxable year under section 63, or

''(B) an individual entitled to make a joint return if—

''(i) the gross income of such individual, when combined with the gross income of such individual's spouse, for the taxable year does not exceed the standard deduction which would be applicable to the taxpayer for such taxable year under section 63 if such individual and such individual's spouse made a joint return,

''(ii) such individual and such individual's spouse have the same household as their home at the close of the taxable year,

''(iii) such individual's spouse does not make a separate return, and

''(iv) neither such individual nor such individual's spouse is an individual described in section 63(c)(2) who has income (other than earned income) in excess of the amount in effect under section 63(c)(2)(A).'', and

(B) by striking subsection (f).

(2) BANKRUPTCY ESTATES.—Paragraph (8) of section 6012(a) of such Code is amended by striking ''the sum of the exemption amount plus the basic standard deduction under section 63(c)(2)(D)'' and inserting ''the standard deduction in effect under section 63(c)(1)(B)''.

(f) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 2(a)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''a dependent'' and all that follows through ''section 151'' and inserting ''a dependent who (within the meaning of section 7706, determined without regard to subsections (b)(1), (b)(2), and (d)(1)(B) thereof) is a son, stepson, daughter, or stepdaughter of the taxpayer''.

(2) Section 36B(b)(2)(A) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(3) Section 36B(b)(3)(B) of such Code is amended by striking ''unless a deduction is allowed under section 151 for the taxable year with respect to a dependent'' in the flush matter at the end and inserting ''unless the taxpayer has a dependent for the taxable year''.

(4) Section 36B(c)(1)(D) of such Code is amended by striking ''with respect to whom a deduction under section 151 is allowable to another taxpayer'' and inserting ''who is a dependent of another taxpayer''.

(5) Section 36B(d)(1) of such Code is amended by striking ''equal to the number of individuals for whom the taxpayer is allowed a deduction under section 151 (relating to allowance of deduction for personal exemptions) for the taxable year'' and inserting ''the sum of 1 (2 in the case of a joint return) plus the number of the taxpayer's dependents for the taxable year''.

(6) Section 36B(e)(1) of such Code is amended by striking ''1 or more individuals for whom a taxpayer is allowed a deduction under section 151 (relating to allowance of deduction for personal exemptions) for the taxable year (including the taxpayer or his spouse)'' and inserting ''1 or more of the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse, or any dependent of the taxpayer''.

(7) Section 42(i)(3)(D)(ii)(I) of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706'', and

(B) by striking the period at the end and inserting a comma.

(8) Section 63(b) of such Code is amended by striking ''minus—'' and all that follows and inserting ''minus the standard deduction.''.

(9) Section 63(d) of such Code is amended by striking ''other than—'' and all that follows and inserting ''other than the deductions allowable in arriving at adjusted gross income.''.

(10) Section 72(t)(2)(D)(i)(III) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(11) Section 72(t)(7)(A)(iii) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(f)(1)'' and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1)''.

(12) Section 105(b) of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking ''as defined in section 152'' and inserting ''as defined in section 7706'',

(B) by striking ''section 152(f)(1)'' and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1)'', and

(C) by striking ''section 152(e)'' and inserting ''section 7706(e)''.

(13) Section 105(c)(1) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(14) Section 125(e)(1)(D) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(15) Section 129(c) of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking ''with respect to whom, for such taxable year, a deduction is allowable under section 151(c) (relating to personal exemptions for dependents) to'' in paragraph (1) and inserting ''who is a dependent of'', and

(B) by striking ''section 152(f)(1)'' in paragraph (2) and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1)''.

(16) Section 132(h)(2)(B) of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking ''section 152(f)(1)'' and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1)'', and

(B) by striking ''section 152(e)'' and inserting ''section 7706(e)''.

(17) Section 139D(c)(5) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(18) Section 162(l)(1)(D) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(f)(1)'' and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1)''.

(19) Section 170(g)(1) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(20) Section 170(g)(3) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(d)(2)'' and inserting ''section 7706(d)(2)''.

(21) Section 172(d) of such Code is amended by striking paragraph (3).

(22) Section 220(b)(6) of such Code is amended by striking ''with respect to whom a deduction under section 151 is allowable to'' and inserting ''who is a dependent of''.

(23) Section 220(d)(2)(A) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(24) Section 223(b)(6) of such Code is amended by striking ''with respect to whom a deduction under section 151 is allowable to'' and inserting ''who is a dependent of''.

(25) Section 223(d)(2)(A) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(26) Section 401(h) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(f)(1)'' in the last sentence and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1)''.

(27) Section 402(l)(4)(D) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(28) Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(ii)(I) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(a)'' and inserting ''section 7706(a)''.

(29) Section 501(c)(9) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(f)(1)'' and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1)''.

(30) Section 529(e)(2)(B) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(d)(2)'' and inserting ''section 7706(d)(2)''.

(31) Section 703(a)(2) of such Code is amended by striking subparagraph (A) and by redesignating subparagraphs (B) through (F) as subparagraphs (A) through (E), respectively.

(32) Section 874 of such Code is amended by striking subsection (b) and by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (b).

(33) Section 891 of such Code is amended by striking ''under section 151 and''.

(34) Section 904(b) of such Code is amended by striking paragraph (1).

(35) Section 931(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking ''(other than the deduction under section 151, relating to personal exemptions)''.

(36) Section 933 of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking ''(other than the deduction under section 151, relating to personal exemptions)'' in paragraph (1), and

(B) by striking ''(other than the deduction for personal exemptions under section 151)'' in paragraph (2).

(37) Section 1212(b)(2)(B)(ii) of such Code is amended to read as follows:

''(ii) in the case of an estate or trust, the deduction allowed for such year under section 642(b).''.

(38) Section 1361(c)(1)(C) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(f)(1)(C)'' and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1)(C)''.

(39) Section 1402(a) of such Code is amended by striking paragraph (7).

(40) Section 2032A(c)(7)(D) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(f)(2)'' and inserting ''section 7706(f)(2)''.

(41) Section 3402(m)(1) of such Code is amended by striking ''other than the deductions referred to in section 151 and''.

(42) Section 3402(r)(2) of such Code is amended by striking ''the sum of—'' and all that follows and inserting ''the standard deduction in effect under section 63(c)(1)(B).''.

(43) Section 5000A(b)(3)(A) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152'' and inserting ''section 7706''.

(44) Section 5000A(c)(4)(A) of such Code is amended by striking ''the number of individuals for whom the taxpayer is allowed a deduction under section 151 (relating to allowance of deduction for personal exemptions) for the taxable year'' and inserting ''the sum of 1 (2 in the case of a joint return) plus the number of the taxpayer's dependents for the taxable year''.

(45) Section 6013(b)(3)(A) of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking ''had less than the exemption amount of gross income'' in clause (ii) and inserting ''had no gross income'',

(B) by striking ''had gross income of the exemption amount or more'' in clause (iii) and inserting ''had any gross income'', and

(C) by striking the flush language following clause (iii).

(46) Section 6103(l)(21)(A)(iii) of such Code is amended to read as follows:

''(iii) the number of the taxpayer's dependents,''.

(47) Section 6213(g)(2) of such Code is amended by striking subparagraph (H).

(48) Section 6334(d)(2) of such Code is amended to read as follows:

''(2) EXEMPT AMOUNT.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'exempt amount' means an amount equal to—

''(i) the sum of the amount determined under subparagraph (B) and the standard deduction, divided by

''(ii) 52.

''(B) AMOUNT DETERMINED.—For purposes of subparagraph (A), the amount determined under this subparagraph is $4,150 multiplied by the number of the taxpayer's dependents for the taxable year in which the levy occurs.

''(C) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—In the case of any taxable year beginning after 2018, the $4,150 amount in subparagraph (B) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

''(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

''(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, by substituting 'calendar year 2017' for 'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph (A) thereof.

If any increase determined under the preceding sentence is not a multiple of $100, such increase shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of $100.

''(D) VERIFIED STATEMENT.—Unless the taxpayer submits to the Secretary a written and properly verified statement specifying the facts necessary to determine the proper amount under subparagraph (A), subparagraph (A) shall be applied as if the taxpayer were a married individual filing a separate return with no dependents.''.

(49) Section 7702B(f)(2)(C)(iii) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(d)(2)'' and inserting ''section 7706(d)(2)''.

(50) Section 7703(a) of such Code is amended by striking ''part V of subchapter B of chapter 1 and''.

(51) Section 7703(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking ''section 152(f)(1)'' and all that follows and inserting ''section 7706(f)(1),''.

(52) Section 7706(a) of such Code, as redesignated by this section, is amended by striking ''this subtitle'' and inserting ''subtitle A''.

(53)(A) Section 7706(d)(1)(B) of such Code, as redesignated by this section, is amended by striking ''the exemption amount (as defined in section 151(d))'' and inserting ''$4,150''.

(B) Section 7706(d) of such Code, as redesignated by this section, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(6) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—In the case of any calendar year beginning after 2018, the $4,150 amount in paragraph (1)(B) shall be increased by an amount equal to—

''(A) such dollar amount, multiplied by

''(B) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for such calendar year, determined by substituting 'calendar year 2017' for 'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.

If any increase determined under the preceding sentence is not a multiple of $100, such increase shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of $100.''.

(54) The table of sections for chapter 79 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

''Sec. 7706. Dependent defined.''.

(g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___13. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF LIMITATION ON DEDUCTION FOR STATE AND LOCAL, ETC., TAXES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (6) of section 164(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking '', and before January 1, 2026'', and

(2) by striking ''2018 THROUGH 2025'' in the heading and inserting ''AFTER 2017''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___14. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF LIMITATION ON DEDUCTION FOR QUALIFIED RESIDENCE INTEREST.

(a) REPEAL OF HOME EQUITY INDEBTEDNESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 163(h)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''during the taxable year on'' and all that follows through ''For purposes of'' and inserting ''during the taxable year on acquisition indebtedness with respect to any qualified principal residence of the taxpayer. For purposes of''.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 163(h)(3) of such Code is amended by striking subparagraph (C).

(b) LIMITATION ON ACQUISITION INDEBTEDNESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 163(h)(3)(B)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''$1,000,000 ($500,000'' and inserting ''$750,000 ($375,000''.

(2) TREATMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS INCURRED ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2017; REFINANCINGS.—Section 163(h)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended by subsection (a)(2), is amended by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following new subparagraph:

''(C) TREATMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS INCURRED ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 15, 2017; REFINANCINGS.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any indebtedness incurred on or before December 15, 2017, subparagraph (B)(ii) shall apply as in effect immediately before the enactment of the Public Law 115–97, and, in applying such subparagraph to any indebtedness incurred after such date, the limitation under such subparagraph shall be reduced (but not below zero) by the amount of any indebtedness incurred on or before December 15, 2017, which is treated as acquisition indebtedness for purposes of this subsection for the taxable year.

''(ii) BINDING CONTRACT EXCEPTION.—In the case of a taxpayer who enters into a written binding contract before December 15, 2017, to close on the purchase of a principal residence before January 1, 2018, and who purchases such residence before April 1, 2018, subclause (III) shall be applied by substituting 'April 1, 2018' for 'December 15, 2017'.

''(iii) TREATMENT OF REFINANCINGS OF INDEBTEDNESS.—

''(I) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any indebtedness which is incurred to refinance indebtedness, such refinanced indebtedness shall be treated for purposes of clause (i) as incurred on the date that the original indebtedness was incurred to the extent the amount of the indebtedness resulting from such refinancing does not exceed the amount of the refinanced indebtedness.

''(II) LIMITATION ON PERIOD OF REFINANCING.—Subclause (I) shall not apply to any indebtedness after the expiration of the term of the original indebtedness or, if the principal of such original indebtedness is not amortized over its term, the expiration of the term of the 1st refinancing of such indebtedness (or if earlier, the date which is 30 years after the date of such 1st refinancing).''.

(c) COORDINATION WITH EXCLUSION OF INCOME FROM DISCHARGE OF INDEBTEDNESS.—Section 108(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking '', applied by substituting'' and all that follows through ''section 163(h)(3)(F)(i)(II)''.

(d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 163(h)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) in the heading of subparagraph (D)(ii), by striking ''$1,000,000'', and

(2) by striking subparagraph (F).

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___15. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF MODIFICATIONS TO DEDUCTION FOR PERSONAL CASUALTY LOSSES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (5) of section 165(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking '', and before January 1, 2026'' in subparagraph (A), and

(2) by striking ''2018 THROUGH 2025'' in the heading and inserting ''AFTER 2017''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to losses incurred in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___16. REPEAL OF MISCELLANEOUS ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 67 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the following:

''(a) GENERAL RULE.—No miscellaneous itemized deduction shall be allowed for any taxable year beginning after December 31, 2017.'',

(2) by striking subsection (g), and

(3) by striking ''**2-PERCENT FLOOR ON**'' in the heading and inserting ''**TREATMENT OF**''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for part I of subchapter B of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''2-percent floor on'' in the item relating to section 67 and inserting ''Treatment of''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___17. REPEAL OF OVERALL LIMITATION ON ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part 1 of subchapter B of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking section 68 (and the item relating to such section in the table of sections for such part).

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 1(f)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''section 68(b)(2),''.

(2) Section 56(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking subparagraph (F).

(3) Section 164(b)(5)(H)(ii)(III) of such Code is amended by inserting ''(as in effect before

the date of the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act)'' after ''68(b)''.

(4) Section 642(b)(2)(C)(i)(I) of such Code is amended by striking ''as an individual described in section 68(b)(1)(C)'' and inserting ''as an individual who is not married and who is not a surviving spouse or head of household''.

(5) Section 773(a)(3)(B) of such Code is amended by striking clause (i) and redesignating clauses (ii) through (iv) as clauses (i) through (iii), respectively.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___18. REPEAL OF EXCLUSION FOR QUALIFIED BICYCLE COMMUTING REIMBURSEMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 132(f)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subparagraph (D).

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 132(f)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting ''and'' at the end of subparagraph (A), by striking '', and'' at the end of subparagraph (B) and inserting a period, and by striking subparagraph (C).

(2) Section 132(f)(4) of such Code is amended by striking ''(other than a qualified bicycle commuting reimbursement)''.

(3) Section 132(f)(5) of such Code is amended by striking subparagraph (F).

(4) Section 132(f) of such Code is amended by striking paragraph (8).

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___19. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF MODIFICATION OF EXCLUSION FOR QUALIFIED MOVING EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 132(g) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking ''individual'' and inserting ''qualified military member'', and

(2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

''(2) QUALIFIED MILITARY MEMBER.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'qualified military member' means a member of the Armed Forces of the United States on active duty who moves pursuant to a military order and incident to a permanent change of station.''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___20. REPEAL OF DEDUCTION FOR MOVING EXPENSES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 217 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

''(a) DEDUCTION ALLOWED.—There shall be allowed as a deduction moving expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year in connection with the commencement of work by a member of the Armed Forces of the United States on active duty who moves pursuant to a military order and incident to a permanent change of station.''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 217 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(A) by striking subsections (c), (d), (f), and (i),

(B) by redesignating subsections (g), (h), and (j) as subsections (c), (d), and (e), respectively, and

(C) in subsection (c), as so redesignated—

(i) by striking paragraph (1) and redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively, and

(ii) in paragraph (2) (as so redesignated), by striking ''moving expenses of his spouse and dependents'' and all that follows and inserting ''moving expenses of his spouse and dependents as if his spouse commenced work as an employee at a new principal place of work at such location.''.

(2) Section 23 of such Code is amended by striking ''217(h)(3)'' each place it appears in subsections (d)(3) and (e) and inserting ''217(d)(3)''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___21. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF LIMITATION ON WAGERING LOSSES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The second sentence of section 165(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''in the case of taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017, and before January 1, 2026,''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall not apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___22. INCREASE IN ESTATE AND GIFT TAX EXEMPTION MADE PERMANENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2010(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking ''$5,000,000'' and inserting ''$10,000,000''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 2010(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subparagraph (C).

(2) Subsection (g) of section 2001 of such Code is amended to read as follows:

''(g) MODIFICATIONS TO GIFT TAX PAYABLE TO REFLECT DIFFERENT TAX RATES.—For purposes of applying subsection (b)(2) with respect to 1 or more gifts, the rates of tax under subsection (c) in effect at the decedent's death shall, in lieu of the rates of tax in effect at the time of such gifts, be used both to compute—

''(1) the tax imposed by chapter 12 with respect to such gifts, and

''(2) the credit allowed against such tax under section 2505, including in computing—

''(A) the applicable credit amount under section 2505(a)(1), and

''(B) the sum of the amounts allowed as a credit for all preceding periods under section 2505(a)(2).''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to estates of decedents dying and gifts made after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___23. INCREASE IN ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX EXEMPTION MADE PERMANENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 55(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) by striking ''$78,750'' in subparagraph (A) and inserting ''$109,400'', and

(B) by striking ''$50,600'' in subparagraph (B) and inserting ''$70,300'', and

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) by striking ''$150,000'' in subparagraph (A) and inserting ''$1,000,000'', and

(B) by striking subparagraphs (B) and (C) and inserting the following:

''(B) 50 percent of the dollar amount applicable under subparagraph (A) in the case of a taxpayer described in subparagraph (B) or (C) of paragraph (1), and

''(C) 50 percent of $150,000 in the case of a taxpayer described in paragraph (1)(D).''.

(b) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 55(d)(3)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

''(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, by substituting for 'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof—

''(I) 'calendar year 2011' in the case of the dollar amounts described in clauses (i), (iv), and (v) of subparagraph (B), and

''(II) 'calendar year 2017' in the case of the dollar amounts described in clauses (ii) and (iii) of subparagraph (B).''.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 55(d)(3)(B) of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking ''subparagraphs (A), (B), and (D) of paragraph (1), and'' in clause (ii) and inserting ''subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1),'',

(B) by striking ''subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (2).'' in clause (iii) and inserting ''paragraph (2)(A),'', and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(iv) the dollar amount contained in paragraph (1)(D), and

''(v) the dollar amount contained in paragraph (2)(C).''.

(c) TREATMENT OF UNEARNED INCOME OF MINOR CHILDREN.—Section 59 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subsection (j).

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. ___24. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.

Section 11000 of Public Law 115–97 is amended by redesignating subsection (a) as subsection (b) and by inserting before subsection (b) (as so redesignated) the following new subsection:

''(a) SHORT TITLE.—This title may be cited as the 'Tax Cuts and Jobs Act'.''.

SA 1860. Mr. HOEVEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part IV of subtitle B of title VI of division B, add the following:

SEC. 2652A. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON COLLABORATION ON UNMANNED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT APPLICATIONS.

It is the sense of Congress that NASA, through its Aeronautics Directorate, should collaborate with the Science and Technology Directorate of the Department of Homeland Security on research and development of technologies to provide unmanned traffic management applications for enhanced air domain awareness.

SA 1861. Mr. HOEVEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In subsection (a)(1)(I) of section 2005 (relating to key technology focus areas) of division B, insert '', carbon capture, utilization, and storage,'' after ''batteries''.

SA 1862. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish

a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title II of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3236. ASSISTANCE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL.

(a) FINDING.—Congress finds that the hostilities between Israel and Iran-backed terrorist groups, including Hamas, which began in May 2021, constitute an exceptional circumstance and a major armed conflict involving Israel, as contemplated by the Memorandum of Understanding signed by the United States and Israel on September 15, 2016.

(b) DIRECT APPROPRIATIONS.—In addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, there is appropriated to the Secretary of Defense, out of amounts in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, $5,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2021, to remain available until expended, to replenish the stockpiles of the Government of Israel of missile, rocket, and projectile defense capabilities, including with respect to the Iron Dome short-range rocket defense system, to levels of such stockpiles in effect on May 1, 2021, including through the transfer of defense articles, defense services, technical data, and funding to the Government of Israel.

(c) SUPPLEMENT, NOT SUPPLANT.—The amounts authorized and appropriated under subsection (b) shall supplement, and not supplant, any other amounts previously appropriated for the procurement of missile, rocket, or projectile defense capabilities, including for the Iron Dome short-range rocket defense system.

(d) TRANSFER REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense shall transfer to the Government of Israel such articles as may be necessary to replenish stockpiles in accordance with subsection (b).

(e) EMERGENCY DESIGNATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The amounts provided under this section are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4(g) of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (2 U.S.C. 933(g)).

(2) DESIGNATION IN THE SENATE.—In the Senate, this section is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4112(a) of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018.

SA 1863. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division F, insert the following:

TITLE IV—EDUCATION FREEDOM SCHOLARSHIPS AND OPPORTUNITY ACT

SEC. 6401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Education Freedom Scholarships and Opportunity Act''.

SEC. 6402. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this title is to encourage individual and corporate taxpayers to contribute to scholarships for individual students through eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations, as identified by States.

Subtitle A—Amendments to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986

SEC. 6411. REFERENCES TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986.

Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this subtitle an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

SEC. 6412. TAX CREDITS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO ELIGIBLE SCHOLARSHIP-GRANTING ORGANIZATIONS AND ELIGIBLE WORKFORCE TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS.

(a) CREDIT FOR INDIVIDUALS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by adding after section 25D the following new section:

''SEC. 25E. CONTRIBUTIONS TO ELIGIBLE SCHOLARSHIP-GRANTING ORGANIZATIONS AND ELIGIBLE WORKFORCE TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS.

''(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—In the case of an individual, there shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for the taxable year an amount equal to the sum of any qualified contributions made by the taxpayer during the taxable year.

''(b) AMOUNT OF CREDIT.—The credit allowed under subsection (a) in any taxable year shall not exceed 10 percent of the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the taxable year.

''(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

''(1) QUALIFIED CONTRIBUTION.—The term 'qualified contribution' means a contribution of cash to any eligible scholarship-granting organization or eligible workforce training organization.

''(2) QUALIFIED EXPENSE.—The term 'qualified expense' means any educational expense that is—

''(A) for an individual student's elementary or secondary education, as recognized by the State,

''(B) for the secondary education component of an individual elementary or secondary student's career and technical education, as defined by section 3(5) of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2302(5)), or

''(C) for the purpose of providing eligible individual participants with scholarships for secondary or postsecondary vocational education and training, workforce development, or apprenticeship training, including preparation and examination costs relating to portable certificates or credentials, or industry recognized certification or credentialing programs.

''(3) ELIGIBLE SCHOLARSHIP-GRANTING ORGANIZATION.—The term 'eligible scholarship-granting organization' means—

''(A) an organization that—

''(i) is described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from taxation under section 501(a),

''(ii) provides qualifying scholarships for qualified expenses to only individual elementary and secondary students who—

''(I) reside in the State in which the eligible scholarship-granting organization is recognized, or

''(II) in the case of the Bureau of Indian Education, are members of a federally recognized tribe,

''(iii) a State reports to the Secretary of Education as an eligible scholarship-granting organization pursuant to section 6421(c)(5)(B) of the Education Freedom Scholarships and Opportunity Act,

''(iv) allocates at least 90 percent of qualified contributions to qualifying scholarships for qualified expenses, and

''(v) provides scholarships to—

''(I) more than 1 eligible student,

''(II) more than 1 eligible family, and

''(III) different eligible students attending more than one education provider, or

''(B) an organization that—

''(i) is described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from taxation under section 501(a), and

''(ii) pursuant to State law, was able, as of the date of the enactment of the Education Freedom Scholarships and Opportunity Act, to receive contributions that are eligible for a State tax credit if such contributions are used by the organization to provide scholarships to individual elementary and secondary students, including scholarships for attending private schools.

''(4) ELIGIBLE WORKFORCE TRAINING ORGANIZATION.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'eligible workforce training organization' means any organization—

''(i) which is—

''(I) described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from taxation under section 501(a), and

''(II) not a private foundation (as defined in section 509),

''(ii) whose purpose is to provide vocational education and training, workforce development, or apprenticeship training to eligible potential secondary or postsecondary students, including organizations whose purpose is to provide scholarships for portable certificates or credentials, or industry recognized certifications or credentialing programs, including preparation and examination costs,

''(iii) which is in compliance with applicable State laws,

''(iv) which a State has reported to the Secretary of Education as an eligible workforce training organization pursuant to section 6421(c)(5)(B) of the Education Freedom Scholarships and Opportunity Act,

''(v) which satisfies the requirements described in clauses (iv) and (v) of paragraph (3)(A).

''(B) POTENTIAL ELIGIBLE WORKFORCE TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS.—Eligible workforce training organizations may include, but are not limited to, organizations such as the following (provided that such organizations satisfy the requirements under subparagraph (A)):

''(i) Community colleges.

''(ii) Workforce training programs (as defined by the applicable State workforce agency).

''(iii) Organizations which provide—

''(I) career and technical education, or

''(II) training or apprenticeships, including, but not limited to, training or apprenticeships operated by a collective bargaining organization or that provide industry recognized certifications or credentials.

''(iv) Community organizations that provide training that results in a certification.

''(5) QUALIFYING SCHOLARSHIP.—The term 'qualifying scholarship' means—

''(A) a scholarship granted by an eligible scholarship-granting organization to an individual elementary or secondary student, or

''(B) a scholarship granted by an eligible workforce training organization as a scholarship to a secondary or postsecondary student for the purpose of vocational education and training, workforce development, obtaining

portable certificates or credentials, or industry recognized certification or credentialing programs, including preparation and examination costs,

under this section.

''(6) STATE.—The term 'State' means each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the United States Virgin Islands, and the Department of the Interior (acting through the Bureau of Indian Education).

''(d) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—A scholarship awarded to a student from the proceeds of a qualified contribution under this section or section 45U shall not be considered assistance to the school, eligible workforce training organization, or other educational provider that enrolls, or provides educational services to, the student or the student's parents.

''(2) NOT TREATED AS INCOME.—The amount of any such scholarship shall not be treated as income of the student or their parents for purposes of Federal tax laws or for determining eligibility for any other Federal program.

''(3) PROHIBITION OF CONTROL OVER NONPUBLIC EDUCATION PROVIDERS.—

''(A) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to permit, allow, encourage, or authorize any Federal control over any aspect of any private, religious, or home education provider, whether or not a home education provider is treated as a private school or home school under State law. This Act shall not be construed to exclude private, religious, or home education providers from participation in programs or services under this Act.

''(B) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to permit, allow, encourage, or authorize an entity submitting a list of eligible scholarship-granting organizations or eligible workforce training organizations on behalf of a State to mandate, direct, or control any aspect of a private or home education provider, regardless of whether or not a home education provider is treated as a private school under state law.

''(C) No participating State or entity acting on behalf of a State shall exclude, discriminate against, or otherwise disadvantage any education provider with respect to programs or services under this Act based in whole or in part on the provider's religious education character or affiliation, including religiously or mission-based policies or practices.

''(4) PARENTAL RIGHTS TO USE SCHOLARSHIPS.—No participating State or entity acting on behalf of a State shall disfavor or discourage the use of such scholarships for the purchase of elementary and secondary or workforce training education services, including those services provided by private or nonprofit entities, such as faith-based providers.

''(5) STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this section or section 45U shall be construed to modify a State or local government's authority and responsibility to fund education.

''(e) LIMITATIONS.—

''(1) TAX LIABILITY.—No credit allowed under this section or section 45U shall exceed the taxpayer's Federal income tax liability for the taxable year.

''(2) PROHIBITIONS.—A taxpayer is prohibited from selling or transferring any portion of a tax credit allowed under this section or section 45U.

''(3) DENIAL OF DOUBLE BENEFIT.—The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations or other guidance to ensure that the sum of the tax benefits provided by Federal, State, or local law for a qualified contribution receiving a Federal tax credit in any taxable year shall not exceed the sum of the qualified contributions made by the taxpayer for the taxable year.

''(f) CARRYOVER OF CREDIT.—If a tax credit allowed under this section or section 45U is not fully used within the applicable taxable year because of insufficient tax liability on the part of the taxpayer, the unused amount may be carried forward for a period not to exceed 5 years.

''(g) ELECTION.—This section shall apply to a taxpayer for a taxable year only if the taxpayer elects to have this section apply for such taxable year.

''(h) ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX.—For purposes of calculating the alternative minimum tax under section 55, a taxpayer may use any credit received for a qualified contribution under this section.''.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 25D the following new item:

''Sec. 25E. Contributions to eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations.''.

(b) CREDIT FOR CORPORATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''SEC. 45U. CONTRIBUTIONS TO ELIGIBLE SCHOLARSHIP-GRANTING ORGANIZATIONS AND ELIGIBLE WORKFORCE TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS.

''(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—For purposes of section 38, in the case of a domestic corporation, there shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for the taxable year an amount equal to the sum of any qualified contributions (as defined in section 25E(c)(1)) made by such corporation taxpayer during the taxable year.

''(b) AMOUNT OF CREDIT.—The credit allowed under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed 5 percent of the taxable income (as defined in section 170(b)(2)(D)) of the domestic corporation for such taxable year.

''(c) ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.—For purposes of this section, any qualified contributions made by a domestic corporation shall be subject to the provisions of section 25E, to the extent applicable.

''(d) ELECTION.—This section shall apply to a taxpayer for a taxable year only if the taxpayer elects to have this section apply for such taxable year.''.

(2) CREDIT PART OF GENERAL BUSINESS CREDIT.—Section 38(b) is amended—

(A) by striking ''plus'' at the end of paragraph (32);

(B) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (33) and inserting '', plus''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(34) the credit for qualified contributions determined under section 45U(a).''.

(3) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for subpart D of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

''Sec. 45U. Contributions to eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations.''.

Subtitle B—Education Freedom Scholarships and Opportunity Act Web Portal and Administration

SEC. 6421. EDUCATION FREEDOM SCHOLARSHIPS AND OPPORTUNITY ACT WEB PORTAL AND ADMINISTRATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Education shall, in coordination with the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Labor, establish, host, and maintain a Web portal that—

(1) lists all scholarship-granting organizations and workforce training organizations that are eligible under section 25E or 45U of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

(2) enables a taxpayer to make a qualifying contribution to one or more eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations and to immediately obtain both a pre-approval of a tax credit for that contribution and a receipt for tax filings;

(3) provides information about the tax benefits of the provisions of the Education Freedom Scholarships and Opportunity Act under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; and

(4) enables a State to submit and update information about its programs and its eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations for informational purposes only, including information on—

(A) student eligibility;

(B) allowable educational expenses;

(C) the types of allowable education providers;

(D) the percentage of funds an organization may use for program administration; and

(E) the percentage of total contributions the organization awards in a calendar year.

(b) NONPORTAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—A taxpayer may opt to make a contribution directly to an eligible scholarship-granting organization or an eligible workforce training organization, instead of through the Web portal described in subsection (a), provided that the taxpayer, or the eligible scholarship-granting organization or eligible workforce training organization on behalf of the taxpayer, applies for, and receives pre-approval for a tax credit from the Secretary of Education in coordination with the Secretary of the Treasury.

(c) NATIONAL AND STATE CAPS ON CREDITS.—

(1) NATIONAL CAP.—There is a cap of $10,000,000,000 on the sum of the contributions that qualify for a credit under section 25E and section 45U of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for each calendar year, of which—

(A) $5,000,000,000 shall be allotted for qualified contributions to eligible scholarship-granting organizations; and

(B) $5,000,000,000 shall be allotted for qualified contributions to eligible workforce training organizations.

(2) ALLOCATION OF CAP.—

(A) INITIAL ALLOCATIONS.—For each calendar year, the Secretary of Education, in coordination with the Secretary of Labor, shall—

(i) from the amount allotted under paragraph (1)(A)—

(I) first reserve, for each State, an amount equal to the sum of the qualifying contributions made in the State in the previous year; and

(II) next, allocate the remaining amount among the participating States by allocating to each State the sum of—

(aa) an amount that bears the same relationship to 20 percent of such remaining amount as the number of individuals aged 5 through 17 in the State, as determined by the Secretary of Education on the basis of the most recent satisfactory data, bears to the number of those individuals in all such States, as so determined; and

(bb) an amount that bears the same relationship to 80 percent of such remaining amount as the number of individuals aged 5 through 17 from families with incomes below the poverty line in the State, as determined by the Secretary of Education, on the basis of the most recent satisfactory data, bears to

the number of those individuals in all such States, as so determined; and

(ii) from the amount allotted under paragraph (1)(B)—

(I) first reserve, for each State, an amount equal to the sum of the qualifying contributions made in the State in the previous year attributable to eligible workforce training organizations; and

(II) next, allocate the remaining amount among the participating States by allocating to each State an amount determined through a system, as established and maintained by the Secretary of Labor, that accurately reflects demand and potential qualified participants for apprenticeships and workforce training within that State.

(B) MINIMUM ALLOCATION.—Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), no State receiving an allotment under this section may receive less than one-half of one percent of the amount allotted for a fiscal year.

(C) ALTERNATIVE ALLOCATION FOR QUALIFIED CONTRIBUTIONS TO ELIGIBLE SCHOLARSHIP-GRANTING ORGANIZATIONS.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the end of the fifth year of the program or one year after the end of the first fiscal year for which the total amount of credits claimed under section 25E and section 45U of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for qualified contributions to eligible scholarship-granting organizations is $2,500,000,000 or more, whichever comes first, the Secretary of Education shall, by regulation, provide for an alternative allocation method for the amount described in paragraph (1)(A) that shall take effect beginning with the first fiscal year after the regulation takes effect.

(ii) ALTERNATIVE ALLOCATION METHOD.—The alternative allocation method described in clause (i) shall be expressed as a formula based on a combination of the following data for each State, as reported by the State to the Secretary of Education:

(I) The relative percentage of students in the State who receive a elementary or secondary scholarship through a State program that is financed through State tax-credited donations or appropriations and that permits the elementary or secondary scholarship to be used to attend a private school.

(II) The total amount of all elementary and secondary scholarships awarded through a State program that is financed through State tax-credited donations or appropriations compared to the total amount of current State and local expenditures for free public education in the State.

(iii) ALLOCATION FORMULA.—For any fiscal year to which clause (i) applies, the Secretary of Education shall—

(I) first reserve, for each State, an amount equal to the sum of the qualifying contributions made in the State in the previous year;

(II) next, allocate two-thirds of the remaining amount of the national cap for that year using the alternative allocation method in clause (ii); and

(III) then, allocate one-third of the remaining amount in accordance with subparagraph (A)(ii).

(iv) INELIGIBILITY.—For any fiscal year to which clause (i) applies, a State that does not provide the Secretary of Education with information described in clause (ii) is not eligible to receive an allocation through the alternative allocation method under clause (ii).

(3) ALLOWABLE PARTNERSHIPS.—A State may choose to administer the allocation it receives under paragraph (2) in partnership with one or more States, provided that the eligible scholarship-granting organizations or eligible workforce training organizations in each partner State serve students who reside in all States in the partnership.

(4) TOTAL ALLOCATION.—A State's allocation, for any fiscal year, is the sum of the amount determined for it under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (2), except as provided in paragraph (2)(C).

(5) ALLOCATION AND ADJUSTMENTS.—

(A) INITIAL ALLOCATION TO STATES.—No later than November 1 of the year preceding a year for which there is a national cap on credits under paragraph (1) (hereafter in this section, the ''applicable year''), or as early as practicable with respect to the first year, the Secretary of Education shall announce the State allocations under paragraph (2) for the applicable year.

(B) LIST OF ELIGIBLE SCHOLARSHIP-GRANTING ORGANIZATIONS AND ELIGIBLE WORKFORCE TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS.—No later than January 1 of each applicable year, or as early as practicable with respect to the first year, each State shall provide the Secretary of Education a list of eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations described in paragraphs (3)(A) and (4) of section 25E(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, including a certification that the entity submitting the list on behalf of the State has the authority to perform this function. Neither this title nor any other Federal law shall be construed as limiting the entities that may submit the list on behalf of a state.

(C) REALLOCATION.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Education shall, in accordance with paragraph (2), reallocate to any other States the allocation of a State which, for any applicable year—

(I) fails to provide the Secretary of Education a list of eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations pursuant to subparagraph (B); and

(II) does not have an eligible scholarship-granting organization (as described in section 25E(c)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) located in such State.

(ii) UNCLAIMED CREDITS.—On or after April 1 of any applicable year, the Secretary of Education may reallocate, to one or more other States that have eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations in the States, without regard to paragraph (2), the allocation of a State for which the State's allocation has not been claimed.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—The definitions of terms in section 25E(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 apply to those terms as used in this title.

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the purpose of administering this section and sections 25E and 45U of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, there are authorized to be appropriated, and there are appropriated, such sums as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021 and each succeeding fiscal year.

SA 1864. Mr. MURPHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1022, beginning on line 19, strike ''approved'' and all that follows through line 22 and insert the following: ''that the Secretary determines will have an important effect on the foreign relations of the United States and were approved for negotiation by the Secretary in writing during the prior month.''

SA 1865. Mr. MURPHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 1022, strike line 18 and all that follows through page 1023, line 2.

On page 1023, line 3, strike ''(B)'' and insert ''(A)''.

On page 1023, line 21, strike ''(C)'' and insert ''(B)''.

Beginning on page 1024, strike line 19 and all that follows through page 1026, line 11.

On page 1025, line 4, strike ''(4)'' and insert ''(3)''.

On page 1026, beginning on line 16, strike ''subparagraphs'' and all that follows through line 17 and insert the following: ''subparagraph (A)(iii) and clauses (iii) and (iv) of subparagraph (B) of subsection (a)(1),''.

On page 1027, beginning on line 2, strike ''subparagraphs'' and all that follows through line 4 and insert the following: ''subparagraph (A)(iii) and clauses (iii) and (iv) of subparagraph (B) of subsection (a)(1) shall not be subject to the requirement''.

SA 1866. Mr. WHITEHOUSE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, add the following:

SECTION 2528. ADMISSION OF ESSENTIAL SCIENTISTS AND TECHNICAL EXPERTS TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT NATIONAL SECURITY INNOVATION BASE.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the ''National Security Innovation Pathways Act of 2021''.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate;

(B) the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate;

(C) the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives; and

(D) the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives.

(2) NATIONAL SECURITY INNOVATION BASE.—The term ''National Security Innovation Base'' means the network of persons and organizations, including Federal agencies, institutions of higher education, federally

funded research and development centers, defense industrial base entities, nonprofit organizations, commercial entities, and venture capital firms that are engaged in the military and non-military research, development, funding, and production of innovative technologies that support the national security of the United States.

(c) ADMISSION OF ESSENTIAL SCIENTISTS AND TECHNICAL EXPERTS TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT NATIONAL SECURITY INNOVATION BASE.—

(1) SPECIAL IMMIGRANT STATUS.—In accordance with the procedures established under paragraph (6)(A), and subject to the numerical limitations under paragraph (3)(A), the Secretary of Homeland Security may provide an alien described in paragraph (2) (and the spouse and children of the alien if accompanying or following to join the alien) with the status of a special immigrant under section 101(a)(27) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(27)) if the alien—

(A) submits a classification petition under section 204(a)(1)(G)(i) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1154(a)(1)(G)(i)); and

(B) is otherwise eligible to receive an immigrant visa and is otherwise admissible to the United States for permanent residence.

(2) ALIENS DESCRIBED.—An alien is described in this paragraph if—

(A) the alien—

(i) is employed by a United States employer and engaged in work to promote and protect the National Security Innovation Base;

(ii) is engaged in basic or applied research, funded by the Department of Defense, through a United States institution of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001)); or

(iii) possesses scientific or technical expertise that will advance the development of critical technologies identified in the National Defense Strategy or the National Defense Science and Technology Strategy, required by section 218 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1679); and

(B) the Secretary of Defense issues a written statement to the Secretary of Homeland Security confirming that the admission of the alien is essential to advancing the research, development, testing, or evaluation of critical technologies described in subparagraph (A)(iii) or otherwise serves national security interests.

(3) NUMERICAL LIMITATIONS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The total number of aliens described in paragraph (2) who may be provided special immigrant status under this subsection may not exceed—

(i) 100 in fiscal year 2022;

(ii) 200 in fiscal year 2023;

(iii) 300 in fiscal year 2024;

(iv) 400 in fiscal year 2025; and

(v) 500 in fiscal year 2026 and in each fiscal year thereafter.

(B) EXCLUSION FROM NUMERICAL LIMITATION.—Aliens provided special immigrant status under this subsection shall not be counted against the numerical limitations under sections 201(d), 202(a), and 203(b)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(d), 1152(a), and 1153(b)(4)).

(4) DEFENSE COMPETITION FOR SCIENTISTS AND TECHNICAL EXPERTS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop and implement a process to select, on a competitive basis from among individuals described in paragraph (2), individuals for recommendation to the Secretary of Homeland Security for special immigrant status under paragraph (1).

(5) AUTHORITIES.—In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary of Defense shall authorize appropriate personnel of the Department of Defense to use all personnel and management authorities available to the Department, including—

(A) the personnel and management authorities provided to the science and technology reinvention laboratories;

(B) the Major Range and Test Facility Base (as defined in 196(i) of title 10, United States Code); and

(C) the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

(6) PROCEDURES.—Not later than 360 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of Defense shall jointly establish policies and procedures implementing this subsection, which shall include procedures for—

(A) processing petitions for classification submitted under paragraph (1)(A) and applications for an immigrant visa or adjustment of status, as applicable; and

(B) the thorough processing of any required security clearances.

(7) FEES.—The Secretary of Homeland Security shall establish a fee that—

(A) will be charged and collected for processing each application filed under this subsection; and

(B) is set at a level that will ensure recovery of the full costs of such processing and any additional costs associated with the administration of the fees collected.

(d) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IMPLEMENTATION REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of Defense shall jointly submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees that—

(A) includes a plan for implementing the authorities provided under this section; and

(B) identifies any additional authorities that may be required to assist the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of Defense to fully implement this section.

(2) PROGRAM EVALUATION AND REPORT.—

(A) EVALUATION.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct an evaluation of the competitive program and special immigrant program described in subsection (c).

(B) REPORT.—Not later than October 1, 2025, the Comptroller General shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees that describes the results of the evaluation conducted pursuant to subparagraph (A).

SA 1867. Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE __—BOLSTERING LONG-TERM UNDERSTANDING AND EXPLORATION OF THE GREAT LAKES, OCEANS, BAYS, AND ESTUARIES

SEC. __01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Bolstering Long-term Understanding and Exploration of the Great Lakes, Oceans, Bays, and Estuaries Act'' or the ''BLUE GLOBE Act''.

SEC. __02. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this title is to promote and support—

(1) the monitoring, understanding, and exploration of the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts; and

(2) the collection, analysis, synthesis, and sharing of data related to the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts to facilitate science and operational decision making.

SEC. __03. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that Federal agencies should optimize data collection, management, and dissemination, to the extent practicable, to maximize their impact for research, conservation, commercial, regulatory, and educational benefits and to foster innovation, scientific discoveries, the development of commercial products, and the development of sound policy with respect to the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts.

SEC. __04. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term ''Administrator'' means the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere in the Under Secretary's capacity as Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

(2) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term ''Indian Tribe'' has the meaning given that term in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).

SEC. __05. WORKFORCE STUDY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 303(a) of the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 (33 U.S.C. 893c(a)) is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''Secretary of Commerce'' and inserting ''Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere'';

(2) in paragraph (2), by inserting '', skillsets, or credentials'' after ''degrees'';

(3) in paragraph (3), by inserting ''or highly qualified technical professionals and tradespeople'' after ''atmospheric scientists'';

(4) in paragraph (4), by inserting '', skillsets, or credentials'' after ''degrees'';

(5) in paragraph (5)—

(A) by striking ''scientist''; and

(B) by striking ''; and'' and inserting '', observations, and monitoring;''

(6) in paragraph (6), by striking ''into Federal'' and all that follows and inserting '', technical professionals, and tradespeople into Federal career positions;''

(7) by redesignating paragraphs (2) through (6) as paragraphs (3) through (7), respectively;

(8) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

''(2) whether there is a shortage in the number of individuals with technical or trade-based skillsets or credentials suited to a career in oceanic and atmospheric data collection, processing, satellite production, or satellite operations;''; and

(9) by adding at the end the following:

''(8) workforce diversity and actions the Federal Government can take to increase diversity in the scientific workforce; and

''(9) actions the Federal Government can take to shorten the hiring backlog for such workforce.''.

(b) COORDINATION.—Section 303(b) of such Act (33 U.S.C. 893c(b)) is amended by striking ''Secretary of Commerce'' and inserting ''Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere''.

(c) REPORT.—Section 303(c) of such Act (33 U.S.C. 893c(c)) is amended—

(1) by striking ''the date of enactment of this Act'' and inserting ''the date of the enactment of the Bolstering Long-term Understanding and Exploration of the Great Lakes, Oceans, Bays, and Estuaries Act'';

(2) by striking ''Secretary of Commerce'' and inserting ''Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere''; and

(3) by striking ''to each committee'' and all that follows through ''section 302 of this Act'' and inserting ''to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives''.

(d) PROGRAM AND PLAN.—Section 303(d) of such Act (33 U.S.C. 893c(d)) is amended—

(1) by striking ''Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration'' and inserting ''Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere''; and

(2) by striking ''academic partners'' and all that follows and inserting ''academic partners.''.

SEC. __06. ACCELERATING INNOVATION AT COOPERATIVE INSTITUTES.

(a) FOCUS ON EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES.—The Administrator shall consider evaluating the goals of one or more Cooperative Institutes of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to include focusing on advancing or applying emerging technologies, which may include—

(1) applied uses and development of real-time and other advanced genetic technologies and applications, including such technologies and applications that derive genetic material directly from environmental samples without any obvious signs of biological source material;

(2) deployment of, and improvements to, the durability, maintenance, and other lifecycle concerns of advanced unmanned vehicles, regional small research vessels, and other research vessels that support and launch unmanned vehicles and sensors; and

(3) supercomputing and big data management, including data collected through model outputs, electronic monitoring, and remote sensing.

(b) COORDINATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS.—If appropriate, the Cooperative Institutes shall work with the Interagency Ocean Observation Committee, the regional associations of the Integrated Ocean Observing System, and other ocean observing programs to coordinate technology needs and the transition of new technologies from research to operations.

SEC. __07. ELECTRONIC MONITORING INNOVATION PRIZE.

Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, and under the authority provided by section 24 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3719), the Administrator, in consultation with the heads of relevant Federal agencies and nongovernmental partners, as appropriate, shall establish an Electronic Monitoring Innovation Prize, which may be awarded for the development of advanced electronic fisheries monitoring equipment and data analysis tools, including improved fish species recognition software.

SEC. __08. BLUE ECONOMY VALUATION.

(a) MEASUREMENT OF BLUE ECONOMY INDUSTRIES.—The Administrator, in consultation with the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall establish a program to improve the collection, aggregation, and analysis of data to measure the value and impact of industries related to the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts on the economy of the United States, including living resources, marine construction, marine transportation, offshore energy development and siting including for renewable energy, offshore mineral production, ship and boat building, tourism, recreation, subsistence, commercial, recreational, and charter fishing, seafood processing, and other fishery-related businesses, aquaculture such as kelp and shellfish, and other industries the Administrator considers appropriate (known as ''Blue Economy'' industries).

(b) COLLABORATION.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Administrator shall—

(1) work with the Director of the Bureau of Economic Analysis and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies to develop a Coastal and Ocean Economy Satellite Account that includes national, Tribal, and State-level statistics to measure the contribution of the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts to the overall economy of the United States; and

(2) collaborate with national and international organizations and governments to promote consistency of methods, measurements, and definitions to ensure comparability of results between countries.

(c) REPORT.—Not less frequently than once every 2 years until the date that is 20 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator, in consultation with the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall publish a report that—

(1) defines the Blue Economy, in coordination with Indian Tribes, academia, the private sector, nongovernmental organizations, and other relevant experts;

(2) makes recommendations for updating North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) reporting codes to reflect the Blue Economy; and

(3) provides a comprehensive estimate of the value and impact of the Blue Economy with respect to each State and territory of the United States, including—

(A) the value and impact of—

(i) economic activities that are dependent upon the resources of the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts;

(ii) the population and demographic characteristics of the population along the coasts;

(iii) port and shoreline infrastructure;

(iv) the volume and value of cargo shipped by sea or across the Great Lakes; and

(v) data collected from the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts, including such data collected by businesses that purchase and commodify the data, including weather prediction and seasonal agricultural forecasting; and

(B) to the extent possible, the qualified value and impact of the natural capital of the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts with respect to tourism, recreation, natural resources, and cultural heritage, including other indirect values.

SEC. __09. ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY–OCEANS.

(a) AGREEMENT.—Not later than 45 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall seek to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to conduct the comprehensive assessment under subsection (b).

(b) COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Under an agreement between the Administrator and the National Academy of Sciences under this section, the National Academy of Sciences shall conduct a comprehensive assessment to evaluate—

(A) whether there is a need for an Advanced Research Projects Agency–Oceans (ARPA–O) that operates within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in coordination with, but not duplicative of, existing Federal research programs relating to oceanic, coastal, Great Lakes, estuarine, and related systems, including programs of the Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and

(B) if there is such a need, the feasibility of establishing such an ARPA–O.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The comprehensive assessment conducted under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) an assessment of how an ARPA–O may help overcome the long-term and high-risk technological barriers in the development of ocean technologies, with the goal of enhancing the economic, ecological, and national security of the United States through the rapid development of technologies that result in—

(i) improved data collection, monitoring, and prediction of the ocean environment, including sea ice conditions;

(ii) overcoming barriers to the application of new and improved technologies, such as high costs and scale of operational missions;

(iii) improved technology for fishery stock assessments and surveys; and

(iv) ensuring that the United States maintains a technological lead in developing and deploying advanced ocean technologies;

(B) an evaluation of the organizational structures under which an ARPA–O could be organized, which takes into account—

(i) best practices for new research programs;

(ii) metrics and approaches for periodic program evaluation;

(iii) capacity to fund and manage external research awards; and

(iv) options for oversight of the activity through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration;

(C) an estimation of the scale of investment necessary to pursue high priority ocean technology projects; and

(D) in a case in which an ARPA–O is not recommended as an independent office, recommendations to improve the Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to achieve the goals described in subparagraph (A).

(c) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the comprehensive assessment conducted under subsection (b).

(2) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate;

(B) the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;

(C) the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives;

(D) the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives; and

(E) the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

SEC. __10. NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED.

No additional funds are to be authorized to carry out this title.

SA 1868. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 2645, insert the following:

SEC. 2645A. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMERCIAL SMALLSAT DATA PROGRAM.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Section 60501 of title 51, United States Code, states that the goal of the Administration's Earth science program is ''to pursue a program of Earth observations, research, and applications activities to better understand the Earth, how it supports life, and how human activities affect its ability to do so in the future''.

(2) Section 50115 title 51, United States Code, directs the Administrator to acquire space-based and airborne Earth remote sensing data, services, distribution, and applications from a commercial provider.

(3) In 2019, the Administrator established the Commercial SmallSat Data Acquisition Pilot Program to identify, evaluate, and acquire data from commercial sources that support NASA's Earth science research and application goals, and NASA has—

(A) determined, in its 2020 final evaluation entitled ''Commercial SmallSat Data Acquisition Program Pilot Evaluation Report'', that the program has been a success;

(B) expanded its procurement arrangements with commercial vendors to provide Earth remote sensing data and imagery to NASA-funded scientists; and

(C) sought to increase the number of commercial vendors, expand acquisition of commercial data products, and broaden user access despite a lack of corresponding growth in the program's budget.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMERCIAL SMALLSAT DATA PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 603 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''§ 60307. Commercial SmallSat Data program

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Administrator shall establish within the Earth Science Division of the Science Mission Directorate a program, to be known as the 'Commercial SmallSat Data Program' (referred to in this section as the 'Program'), to procure and disseminate commercial Earth observation data and imagery.

''(b) DATA PUBLICATION AND TRANSPARENCY.—The terms and conditions of commercial remote sensing data acquisitions under the Program may not prevent the publication of—

''(1) data for scientific purposes; or

''(2) information that enhances the original data of a vendor.

''(c) FUNDING.—The Administrator may obligate such sums as necessary—

''(1) to procure from commercial vendors the remote sensing data and imagery necessary to advance NASA scientific research and applications; and

''(2) to establish or modify end-use license terms and conditions to allow individuals other than NASA-funded users to use such procured data and imagery.

''(d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that includes the following:

''(1) A list of all vendors that provide remote sensing data and imagery to NASA.

''(2) The end-use license terms and conditions for each such vendor.

''(3) A description of the manner in which each such vendor is advancing scientific research and applications, including the priorities recommended in the decadal surveys of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.

''(4) A determination as to whether the Administrator has entered into any agreement with a commercial vendor or any other civilian agency that permits the use of data and imagery by Federal Government employees, contractors, or non-Federal users.''.

SA 1869. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 100, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR LITHIUM EXTRACTION OR PURIFICATION ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $300,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2022 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for lithium extraction or purification activities for such fiscal year.

On page 101, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR LITHIUM EXTRACTION OR PURIFICATION ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $300,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2023 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for lithium extraction or purification activities for such fiscal year.

On page 102, between lines 22 and 23, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR LITHIUM EXTRACTION OR PURIFICATION ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $300,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2024 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for lithium extraction or purification activities for such fiscal year.

On page 104, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR LITHIUM EXTRACTION OR PURIFICATION ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $300,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2025 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for lithium extraction or purification activities for such fiscal year.

On page 105, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR LITHIUM EXTRACTION OR PURIFICATION ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $300,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2026 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for lithium extraction or purification activities for such fiscal year.

SA 1870. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 100, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR URANIUM ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $1,000,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2022 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for uranium enrichment activities for such fiscal year.

On page 101, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR URANIUM ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $1,000,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2023 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for uranium enrichment activities for such fiscal year.

On page 102, between lines 22 and 23, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR URANIUM ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $1,000,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2024 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for uranium enrichment activities for such fiscal year.

On page 104, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR URANIUM ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $1,000,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2025 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for uranium enrichment activities for such fiscal year.

On page 105, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

(3) ENERGY SPENDING FOR URANIUM ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2)(A), $1,000,000,000 of the amounts made available to the National Science Foundation under paragraph (2)(A) for fiscal year 2026 shall be transferred to the Secretary of Energy for uranium enrichment activities for such fiscal year.

SA 1871. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. NATIONAL SECURITY EXCLUSION FOR ARTICLES OR COMPONENTS OF ARTICLES THAT CONTAIN, WERE PRODUCED USING, BENEFIT FROM, OR USE TRADE SECRETS MISAPPROPRIATED OR ACQUIRED THROUGH IMPROPER MEANS BY A FOREIGN AGENT OR FOREIGN INSTRUMENTALITY.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the ''Stopping and Excluding Chinese Rip-offs and Exports with United States

Trade Secrets Act of 2021'' or the ''SECRETS Act of 2021''.

(b) NATIONAL SECURITY EXCLUSION.—Title III of the Tariff Act of 1930 is amended by inserting after section 341 (19 U.S.C. 1341) the following:

''SEC. 342. NATIONAL SECURITY EXCLUSION FOR ARTICLES OR COMPONENTS OF ARTICLES THAT CONTAIN, WERE PRODUCED USING, BENEFIT FROM, OR USE TRADE SECRETS MISAPPROPRIATED OR ACQUIRED THROUGH IMPROPER MEANS BY A FOREIGN AGENT OR FOREIGN INSTRUMENTALITY.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—Upon a determination under subsection (c)(1), and subject to the procedures required under subsection (d), the Commission shall exclude from the United States on the basis of national security imports of articles that contain, were produced using, benefit from, or use any trade secret acquired through improper means or misappropriation by a foreign agent or foreign instrumentality.

''(b) INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON TRADE SECRETS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—There is established an Interagency Committee on Trade Secrets (in this section referred to as the 'Committee') to carry out the review and submission of allegations under paragraph (5) and such other duties as the President may designate.

''(2) MEMBERSHIP.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Committee shall be comprised of the following voting members (or the designee of any such member):

''(i) The Secretary of the Treasury.

''(ii) The Secretary of Homeland Security.

''(iii) The Secretary of Commerce.

''(iv) The Attorney General.

''(v) The Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator.

''(vi) The head of such other Federal agency or other executive office as the President determines appropriate, generally or on a case-by-case basis.

''(B) DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.—The Director of National Intelligence shall serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Committee.

''(3) CHAIRPERSON.—The Attorney General shall serve as the chairperson of the Committee.

''(4) MEETINGS.—The Committee shall meet upon the direction of the President or upon the call of the chairperson, without regard to section 552b of title 5, United States Code (if otherwise applicable).

''(5) UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICE REVIEW.—

''(A) REFERRAL TO COMMISSION.—The Committee shall—

''(i) review upon complaint under oath by the owner of a trade secret or on its own initiative any allegations that an article imported or to be imported into the United States is a covered article; and

''(ii) submit to the Commission a report including those allegations.

''(B) ANALYSIS BY DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—As part of the review conducted under subparagraph (A), the Director of National Intelligence shall expeditiously carry out a thorough analysis of any allegations under such subparagraph and shall incorporate the views of appropriate intelligence agencies with respect to those allegations.

''(ii) TIMING.—

''(I) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 20 days after the date on which the Committee begins review of the allegations under subparagraph (A), the Director of National Intelligence shall submit to the Committee the analysis required under clause (i).

''(II) SUPPLEMENTATION OR AMENDMENT.—Any analysis submitted under subclause (I) may be supplemented or amended as the Director of National Intelligence considers necessary or appropriate or upon request by the Committee for additional information.

''(III) BEGINNING OF ANALYSIS BEFORE REVIEW.—The Director of National Intelligence may begin an analysis under clause (i) of allegations under subparagraph (A) before review by the Committee of the allegations, in accordance with applicable law.

''(iii) INDEPENDENT ROLE OF DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.—The Director of National Intelligence shall be provided with all notices received by the Committee regarding allegations under subparagraph (A) but shall serve no policy role on the Committee other than to provide analysis unless serving on the Committee under paragraph (2)(A)(vi).

''(c) EX PARTE PRELIMINARY REVIEW, INVESTIGATION, AND DETERMINATION.—

''(1) EX PARTE PRELIMINARY REVIEW.—Not later than 30 days after receipt of an allegation contained in a report under subsection (b)(5)(A)(ii) with respect to an article imported or to be imported into the United States, the Commission shall conduct a confidential, ex parte, preliminary review to determine whether there is a reasonable indication the article is more likely than not a covered article.

''(2) INVESTIGATION.—Not later than 150 days after an affirmative determination under paragraph (1), the Commission shall conduct an ex parte, in-depth investigation, which may include a hearing at the discretion of the Commission, to consider if that determination should be extended under paragraph (3).

''(3) EXTENSION, MODIFICATION, OR TERMINATION.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may extend, modify, or terminate a determination under paragraph (1) for good cause and as necessary and appropriate, as determined by the Commission in consultation with the Committee and based on the findings of the investigation conducted under paragraph (2).

''(B) RECONSIDERATION.—The Commission shall reconsider any extension, modification, or termination under subparagraph (A) of a determination under paragraph (1) upon the request of the Committee.

''(4) CONSIDERATION.—In conducting an preliminary review under paragraph (1) or an investigation under paragraph (2) with respect to an article, the Commission may consider the following:

''(A) If the article contains, was produced using, benefits from, or uses any trade secret acquired through improper means or misappropriation by a foreign agent or foreign instrumentality.

''(B) The national security and policy interests of the United States, as established by the Committee for purposes of this section.

''(5) DISCLOSURE.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), information submitted to the Commission or exchanged among the interested persons in connection with a preliminary review under paragraph (1) or an investigation under paragraph (2), including the owner of the trade secret with respect to which the investigation or hearing is connected, may not be disclosed except under a protective order issued pursuant to regulations prescribed by the Commission that authorizes limited disclosure of such information.

''(B) EXCEPTIONS.—The Commission may establish exceptions to the prohibition on disclosure under subparagraph (A), such as exceptions similar to the exceptions under section 337(n)(2).

''(6) PUBLICATION OF RESULTS.—Not later than 30 days after a determination under paragraph (1), the Commission shall publish notice of its determination in the Federal Register.

''(7) DESIGNATION OF LEAD AGENCY FROM COMMITTEE.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall designate, as appropriate, a Federal agency or agencies represented on the Committee to be the lead agency or agencies on behalf of the Committee for each action under paragraphs (1) through (3).

''(B) DUTIES.—The duties of the lead agency or agencies designated under subparagraph (A), with respect to an action under paragraphs (1) through (3), shall include assisting in the action and coordinating activity between the Committee and the Commission.

''(8) CONSULTATION.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—In conducting an action under paragraphs (1) through (3), the Commission shall consult with the heads of such other Federal agencies (or their designees) as the Commission determines appropriate on the basis of the facts and circumstances of the action.

''(B) COOPERATION.—The heads of Federal agencies consulted under subparagraph (A) for an action, and the agency or agencies designated under paragraph (7)(A), shall cooperate with the Commission in conducting the action, including by—

''(i) producing documents and witnesses for testimony; and

''(ii) assisting with any complaint or report or any analysis by the Committee.

''(9) INTERACTION WITH INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.—The Director of National Intelligence shall ensure that the intelligence community (as defined in section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)) remains engaged in the collection, analysis, and dissemination to the Commission of any additional relevant information that may become available during the course of any action conducted under paragraphs (1) through (3).

''(10) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION REGARDING SUBMISSION OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as prohibiting any interested person to an allegation described in subsection (b)(5)(A) from submitting additional information concerning the allegation while an action under paragraphs (1) through (3) with respect to the allegation is ongoing.

''(d) PROCEDURES FOR EXCLUSION.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Commission determines under subsection (c)(1) that it is more likely than not that an article to be imported into the United States is a covered article, not later than 30 days after receipt of the allegation described in that subsection with respect to that determination, the Commission shall—

''(A) direct through an order that the article concerned be excluded from entry into the United States under subsection (a); and

''(B) notify the President of that determination.

''(2) PRESIDENTIAL REVIEW.—If, before the end of the 15-day period beginning on the day after the date on which the President is notified under paragraph (1)(B) of the determination of the Commission under subsection (c)(1), the President disapproves of that determination and notifies the Commission of that disapproval, effective on the date of that notice, that determination shall have no force or effect.

''(3) ACTION BY SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.—

''(A) NOTIFICATION.—Upon expiration of the 15-day period described in paragraph (2), or notification from the President of approval of the determination of the Commission under subsection (c)(1) before the expiration of that period, the Commission shall notify

the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Homeland Security of its action under subsection (a) to direct the exclusion of covered articles from entry.

''(B) REFUSAL OF ENTRY.—Upon receipt of notice under subparagraph (A) regarding the exclusion of covered articles from entry, the Secretary of the Treasury shall refuse the entry of those articles.

''(4) CONTINUATION IN EFFECT.—Any exclusion from entry of covered articles under subsection (a) shall continue in effect until the Commission—

''(A) determines that the conditions that led to such exclusion from entry do not exist; and

''(B) notifies the Secretary of the Treasury of that determination.

''(5) MODIFICATION OR RESCISSION.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—An interested person may petition the Commission for a modification or rescission of an exclusion order under subsection (a).

''(B) REVISITATION OF EXCLUSION.—The Commission may modify or rescind the exclusion at any time at the discretion of the Commission.

''(C) BURDEN OF PROOF.—The burden of proof in any proceeding before the Commission regarding a petition made by an interested person under subparagraph (A) shall be on the interested person.

''(D) RELIEF.—A modification or rescission for which a petition is made under subparagraph (A) may be granted by the Commission—

''(i) on the basis of new evidence or evidence that could not have been presented at the prior proceeding; or

''(ii) on grounds that would permit relief from a judgment or order under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

''(E) EVIDENTIARY STANDARD.—A modification or rescission may be made under subparagraph (A) if an interested person provides to the Commission clear and convincing evidence that such a modification or rescission should be made.

''(e) CIVIL ACTIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—A civil action challenging a determination by the Commission under subsection (a) may be brought only—

''(A) in the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit; and

''(B) not later than 60 days after a petition for modification or rescission under subsection (d)(5) with respect to that determination has been conclusively decided.

''(2) PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW OF PRIVILEGED INFORMATION.—If a civil action challenging an determination under subsection (a) is brought under paragraph (1) and the court determines that protected information in the administrative record, including classified or other information subject to privilege or protections under law, is necessary to resolve the challenge, that information shall be submitted ex parte and in camera to the court and the court shall maintain that information under seal.

''(3) APPLICABILITY OF USE OF INFORMATION PROVISIONS.—The use of information provisions of sections 106, 305, 405, and 706 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (50 U.S.C. 1806, 1825, 1845, and 1881e) shall not apply in a civil action challenging an investigation or determination under this subsection.

''(f) INAPPLICABILITY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The requirements of subchapter II of chapter 5 of title 5, United States Code, shall not apply to—

''(A) an action conducted by the Commission under paragraphs (1) through (3) of subsection (c); or

''(B) the procedures for exclusion under paragraphs (4) and (5) of subsection (d).

''(2) ADJUDICATION.—Any adjudication under this section shall not be subject to the requirements of sections 554, 556, and 557 of title 5, United States Code.

''(g) FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT EXCEPTION.—Section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the 'Freedom of Information Act'), shall not apply to the activities conducted under this section.

''(h) REGULATIONS.—The Commission may prescribe such regulations as the Commission considers necessary and appropriate to carry out this section.

''(i) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section.

''(j) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) ARTICLE.—The term 'article' includes any article or component of an article, including digital or physical articles.

''(2) COVERED ARTICLE.—The term 'covered article' means an article subject to exclusion from the United States under subsection (a).

''(3) FOREIGN AGENT; FOREIGN INSTRUMENTALITY; IMPROPER MEANS; MISAPPROPRIATION; OWNER; TRADE SECRET.—The terms 'foreign agent', 'foreign instrumentality', 'improper means', 'misappropriation', 'owner', and 'trade secret' have the meanings given those terms in section 1839 of title 18, United States Code.

''(4) INTERESTED PERSON.—The term 'interested person', with respect to an allegation under subsection (b)(5)(A), means a person named in the allegation or otherwise identified by the Commission as having a material interest with respect to the allegation.''.

(c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents for the Tariff Act of 1930 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 341 the following:

''Sec. 342. National security exclusion for articles or components of articles that contain, were produced using, benefit from, or use trade secrets misappropriated or acquired through improper means by a foreign agent or foreign instrumentality.''.

SA 1872. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title II of division E, add the following:

SEC. 5214. COORDINATION OF SCREENING OF FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Strategic investment through foreign direct investment has emerged as a threat posed by countries that do not abide by or respect the rules-based, global trading system.

(2) Such countries continue to exploit gaps in the uncoordinated and divided framework among countries that do abide by the rules-based, global trading system, both in developed countries by investments in critical technologies and supply chains and developing countries, while creating dependencies, debt traps, and exploitation of natural resources without improving the living conditions in such countries.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the United States should work with other developed countries that abide by the rules-based, global trading system to improve the effectiveness of their screening of foreign direct investment through better coordination, including by—

(1) establishing a group dedicated to improving such screening at a forum of heads of state, such as the Group of 7;

(2) developing and agreeing to written best practices and a commitment to sharing relevant information at the ministerial level; and

(3) using technical assistance to assist developing countries in establishing foreign direct investment screening mechanisms.

(c) REPORT ON COORDINATION OF SCREENING OF FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall submit to appropriate committees of Congress a report on the work done as of the date of the report under section 721(c)(3) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(c)(3)) to establish a formal process for the exchange of information relating to foreign investment with countries that are allies or partners of the United States.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a description of the work described in paragraph (1), including a list of the countries and engagements as of the date of the report conducted under section 721(c)(3) of the Defense Production Act of 1950;

(B) a description of the formal process established under that section;

(C) a table showing the amounts expended as of the date of the report under that section, disaggregated by fiscal year, country, and purpose;

(D) a description of plans to establish a forum at the Group of 7 or other forum to discuss international harmonization of foreign direct investment screening, best practices, and technical assistance to foreign countries, or any other actions taken or planned to achieve those same objectives; and

(E) any recommendations to Congress on ways to improve international harmonization of foreign direct investment screening, best practices, and technical assistance to foreign countries.

(3) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Financial Services, the Committee on Ways and Means, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

SA 1873. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 23, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

(5) CONDITIONS OF RECEIPT.—

(A) REQUIRED AGREEMENT.—A covered entity to which the Secretary of Commerce awards Federal financial assistance under section 9902 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) or paragraph (3) of this subsection with amounts appropriated under this subsection shall enter into an agreement that specifies that, during the 5-year period immediately following the award of the Federal financial assistance—

(i) the covered entity will not—

(I) repurchase an equity security that is listed on a national securities exchange of the covered entity or any parent company of the covered entity, except to the extent required under a contractual obligation that is in effect as of the date of enactment of this Act;

(II) outsource or offshore jobs to a location outside of the United States;

(III) pay any officer or employee a salary in an amount that is greater than 50 times the median salary of employees during the period lasting one year after the end of the calendar quarter in which the Federal financial assistance is awarded;

(IV) abrogate existing collective bargaining agreements;

(V) consider any individual performing a service for the covered entity as an independent contractor, unless—

(aa) the individual is free from control and direction in connection with the performance of the service, both under the contract for the performance of service and in fact;

(bb) the service is performed outside the usual course of the business of the covered entity; and

(cc) the individual is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession, or business of the same nature as that involved in the service performed; or

(VI) outsource labor for the covered entity to an independent contractor; and

(ii) the covered entity will—

(I) require any contractor or subcontractor for any construction project funded by the Federal financial assistance to enter into a pre-hire collective bargaining agreement or a project labor agreement; and

(II) remain neutral in any union organizing effort.

(B) FINANCIAL PROTECTION OF GOVERNMENT.—The Secretary of Commerce may not award Federal financial assistance to a covered entity under section 9902 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) or paragraph (3) of this subsection with amounts appropriated under this subsection, unless—

(i)(I) the covered entity has issued securities that are traded on a national securities exchange; and

(II) the Secretary of the Treasury receives a warrant or equity interest in the covered business; or

(ii) in the case of any covered entity other than a covered entity described in clause (i), the Secretary of the Treasury receives, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury—

(I) a warrant or equity interest in the covered entity; or

(II) a senior debt instrument issued by the covered entity.

(C) DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph:

(i) COVERED PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT.—The term ''covered project labor agreement'' means a project labor agreement that—

(I) binds all contractors and subcontractors on a construction project through the inclusion of appropriate specifications in all relevant solicitation provisions and contract documents;

(II) allows all contractors and subcontractors to compete for contracts and subcontracts without regard to whether they are otherwise a party to a collective bargaining agreement;

(III) contains guarantees against strikes, lockouts, and other similar job disruptions;

(IV) sets forth effective, prompt, and mutually binding procedures for resolving labor disputes arising during the covered project labor agreement; and

(V) provides other mechanisms for labor-management cooperation on matters of mutual interest and concern, including productivity, quality of work, safety, and health.

(ii) PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT.—The term ''project labor agreement'' means a pre-hire collective bargaining agreement with one or more labor organizations that establishes the terms and conditions of employment for a specific construction project and is described in section 8(f) of the National Labor Relations Act (29 U.S.C. 158(f)).

SA 1874. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 3002, insert the following:

(29) Whereas PRC is an authoritarian government that does not democratically elect its president, the United States held its most secure election in history in November 2020 electing Joe Biden as President by a majority of both popular vote and the electoral college.

SA 1875. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for Mr. KING) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 194, celebrating the 149th anniversary of Arbor Day; as follows:

In the preamble, strike the tenth whereas clause and insert ''Whereas sustainably grown wood can be used in a wide variety of resilient infrastructure and building applications—from traditional timber framing to high-tech mass timber—and as a natural, renewable, and biodegradable material, the significant use of wood building materials in buildings and bridges helps decrease global carbon emissions;''.

SA 1876. Mr. SANDERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike sections 3002 through 3004 and insert the following:

SEC. 3003. DEFINITIONS.

In this division:

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) CCP.—The term ''CCP'' means the Chinese Communist Party.

(3) INDO-PACIFIC REGION.—The terms ''Indo-Pacific'' and ''Indo-Pacific region'' mean the 37 countries and the surrounding waterways that are under the area of responsibility of the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command. These countries are: Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Mongolia, Nauru, Nepal, New Zealand, North Korea, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, and Vietnam.

(4) PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY; PLA.—The terms ''People's Liberation Army'' and ''PLA'' mean the armed forces of the People's Republic of China.

(5) PRC; CHINA.—The terms ''PRC'' and ''China'' mean the People's Republic of China.

SA 1877. Mr. BARRASSO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title I of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3117. PROHIBITION ON RESTRICTIONS ON POWER-GENERATION PROJECTS BY UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION IN CERTAIN COUNTRIES.

Section 1451 of the Better Utilization of Investments Leading to Development Act of 2018 (22 U.S.C. 9671) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(j) PROHIBITION ON RESTRICTIONS ON POWER-GENERATION PROJECTS IN CERTAIN COUNTRIES.—

''(1) PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON POWER-GENERATION PROJECTS.—The Corporation shall not implement or enforce any rule, regulation, policy, procedure, or guideline that would prohibit or restrict the source of energy used by a power-generation project the purpose of which is to provide affordable electricity in an IDA-eligible country or an IDA-blend country.

''(2) LIMITATION ON BOARD.—The Board of the Corporation shall not, whether directly or through authority delegated by the Board, reject a power-generation project in an IDA-eligible country or an IDA-blend country based on the source of energy used by the project.

''(3) ALL-OF-THE-ABOVE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY.—The Corporation shall promote a technology- and fuel-neutral, all-of-the-above energy development strategy for IDA-eligible countries and an IDA-blend

countries that includes the use of oil, natural gas, coal, hydroelectric, wind, solar, and geothermal power and other sources of energy.

''(4) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

''(A) IDA-ELIGIBLE COUNTRY.—The term 'IDA-eligible country' means a country eligible for support from the International Development Association and not the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

''(B) IDA-BLEND COUNTRY.—The term 'IDA-blend country' means a country eligible for support from both the International Development Association and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.''.

SA 1878. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS RELATING TO PREVENTING IMPORTATION OF GOODS MADE WITH FORCED LABOR.

There is authorized to be appropriated $25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026 for the Office of Trade of U.S. Customs and Border Protection for activities to strengthen enforcement actions and processes that prevent the importation of goods made with forced labor.

SA 1879. Ms. BALDWIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2510(a)(1)(A)(i) of division B, insert ''(or, in the case of multi-sourced products, countries of origin)'' after ''origin of the product''.

In section 2510(a) of division B, insert the following at the end:

(4) OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE.—A manufacturer, distributor, seller, or private labeler seeking to have a product introduced, sold, advertised, or offered for sale in commerce shall provide the information identified in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1) to the relevant retailer or internet website marketplace.

(5) SAFE HARBOR.—A retailer or internet website marketplace satisfies the disclosure requirements under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1) by disclosing the country of origin and seller information provided by a manufacturer, distributor, seller, or private labeler of the product. If the retailer or internet website marketplace determines or has a reasonable basis to conclude that the information provided by a manufacturer, distributor, seller, or private labeler to the retailer or internet website marketplace for a product is false or deceptive, the retailer or internet website marketplace shall not be required to disclose such false or deceptive information and shall be deemed to meet the disclosure requirements under such subparagraphs (A) and (B) for that product.

In section 2510(b)(1) of division B, insert ''and except as provided for in paragraph (2),'' after ''provision of law,''.

In section 2510(b) of division B, insert the following at the end:

(3) LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.—A retailer or internet website marketplace is not in violation of this section or section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 45) if a manufacturer, importer, distributor, or private labeler provided the retailer or internet website marketplace with a false or deceptive representation as to the country of origin of a product or its parts or processing.

In section 2510(d) of division B, strike ''the date of enactment of this division'' and insert ''the date of the publication of the agreement under subsection (c)(3)(B)''.

SA 1880. Ms. BALDWIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 4115(b)(2)(A), insert '', without regard to the origin of the raw material inputs, including stone, sand, and gravel'' after ''occurs in the United States''.

SA 1881. Mr. PETERS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 61, on line 20, insert ''Appointment as a program director under this section shall be voluntary, and the Director is not authorized to remove a program director during their appointed term unless for cause.'' after ''tor.''

Beginning on page 113, strike line 24 and all that follows through line 3 on page 115 and insert the following:

(3) DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—During fiscal year 2021 and any fiscal year thereafter, the head of any Federal agency may appoint, without regard to the provisions of subchapter I of chapter 33 of title 5, United States Code, other than sections 3303, 3304(b), and 3328 of that title, a qualified candidate described in subparagraph (B) directly to a position in the competitive service with the Federal agency for which the candidate meets Office of Personnel Management qualification standards.

(B) FELLOWSHIP OR TEMPORARY ROTATIONAL POSTING.—Subparagraph (A) applies with respect to a former recipient of an award under this subsection who—

(i) earned a doctoral degree in a STEM field from an institution of higher education; and

(ii) successfully fulfilled the requirements of the fellowship or temporary rotational posting within a Federal agency.

(C) LIMITATION.—The direct hire authority under this paragraph shall be exercised with respect to a specific qualified candidate not later than 2 years after the date that the candidate completed the requirements related to the fellowship or temporary rotational posting described under this subsection.

(D) NUMBER.—The number of employees appointed and retained by the Federal Government under this paragraph shall not exceed 10 at any time.

Strike section 2204 and insert the following:

SEC. 2204. PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES FOR THE FOUNDATION.

(a) STUDY.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this division, the Director shall contract with the National Academy of Public Administration to conduct a study on the organizational and management structure of the Foundation, to—

(1) evaluate and make recommendations to efficiently and effectively implement the Directorate for Technology and Innovation;

(2) evaluate and make recommendations to ensure coordination of the Directorate for Technology and Innovation with other directorates and offices of the Foundation and other Federal agencies; and

(3) make recommendations for the management of the Foundation's business and personnel practices, including implementation of the new hiring authorities and program director authorities provided in section 2103.

(b) REVIEW.—Upon completion of the study under paragraph (1), the Foundation shall review the recommendations from the National Academy of Public Administration and provide a briefing to Congress on the plans of the Foundation to implement any such recommendations.

Strike section 2665 and insert the following:

SEC. 2665. APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION PILOT PROGRAM.

(a) DEFINITION OF COVERED PROVISIONS.—In this section, the term ''covered provisions'' means the provisions of title 5, United States Code, other than—

(1) section 2301 of that title;

(2) section 2302 of that title;

(3) chapter 33 of that title;

(4) chapter 71 of that title;

(5) chapter 72 of that title; and

(6) chapter 73 of that title.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a 3-year pilot program under which, notwithstanding section 20113 of title 51, United States Code, the Administrator may, with respect to not more than 3,000 designated personnel—

(1) appoint and manage such designated personnel of the Administration, without regard to the covered provisions; and

(2) fix the compensation of such designated personnel of the Administration, without regard to chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5, United States Code, at a rate that does not exceed the per annum rate of salary of the Vice President of the United States under section 104 of title 3, United States Code.

(c) ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBILITIES.—In carrying out the pilot program established under subsection (b), the Administrator shall ensure that the pilot program—

(1) uses—

(A) state-of-the-art recruitment techniques;

(B) simplified classification methods with respect to personnel of the Administration; and

(C) broad banding; and

(2) offers—

(A) competitive compensation; and

(B) the opportunity for career mobility.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that—

(1) describes in detail—

(A) the use of the pilot program hiring authority under this section, including pay, qualifications, and classification of individuals hired under such authority;

(B) the methods for recruitment under the program; and

(C) efforts being made by the NASA to address any compensation equity issue that may arise as a result of the program;

(2) analyzes the impact of the program on participants, disaggregated by demographic factors including age, race, ethnicity, gender, education, compensation, and job classification;

(3) compares the demographics of the program participants with the demographics of NASA employees outside the program;

(4) assesses the morale and engagement of the NASA workforce participating in the program, as compared to the morale and engagement of the NASA workforce outside the program; and

(5) makes recommendations with respect to the continuation, modification, or permanent codification of the program.

Strike section 2669 and insert the following:

SEC. 2669. SEPARATIONS AND RETIREMENT INCENTIVES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 20113 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(o) PROVISIONS RELATED TO SEPARATION AND RETIREMENT INCENTIVES.—

''(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term 'employee'—

''(A) means an employee of the Administration serving under an appointment without time limitation; and

''(B) does not include—

''(i) a reemployed annuitant under subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title 5 or any other retirement system for employees of the Federal Government;

''(ii) an employee having a disability on the basis of which such employee is or would be eligible for disability retirement under any of the retirement systems referred to in clause (i); or

''(iii) for purposes of eligibility for separation incentives under this subsection, an employee who is in receipt of a decision notice of involuntary separation for misconduct or unacceptable performance.

''(2) AUTHORITY.—The Administrator may establish a program under which employees may be eligible for early retirement, offered separation incentive pay to separate from service voluntarily, or both. This authority may be used to reduce the number of personnel employed or to restructure the workforce to meet mission objectives without reducing the overall number of personnel. This authority is in addition to, and notwithstanding, any other authorities established by law or regulation for such programs.

''(3) EARLY RETIREMENT.—An employee who is at least 50 years of age and has completed 20 years of service, or has at least 25 years of service, may, pursuant to regulations promulgated under this subsection, apply and be retired from the Administration and receive benefits in accordance with subchapter III of chapter 83 or 84 of title 5 if the employee has been employed continuously within the Administration for more than 30 days before the date on which the determination to conduct a reduction or restructuring within 1 or more Administration centers is approved.

''(4) LIMITATIONS ON REEMPLOYMENT.—

''(A) An employee who receives separation pay under such program may not be reemployed by the Administration for a 12-month period beginning on the effective date of the employee's separation, unless this prohibition is waived by the Administrator on a case-by-case basis.

''(B) An employee who receives separation pay under this section on the basis of a separation and accepts employment with the Government of the United States, or who commences work through a personal services contract with the United States within 5 years after the date of the separation on which payment of the separation pay is based, shall be required to repay the entire amount of the separation pay to the Administration. If the employment is with an Executive agency (as defined by section 105 of title 5) other than the Administration, the Administrator may, at the request of the head of that agency, waive the repayment if the individual involved possesses unique abilities and is the only qualified applicant available for the position. If the employment is within the Administration, the Administrator may waive the repayment if the individual involved is the only qualified applicant available for the position. If the employment is with an entity in the legislative branch, the head of the entity or the appointing official may waive the repayment if the individual involved possesses unique abilities and is the only qualified applicant available for the position. If the employment is with the judicial branch, the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts may waive the repayment if the individual involved possesses unique abilities and is the only qualified applicant available for the position.

''(5) REGULATIONS.—Under the program established under paragraph (2), early retirement and separation pay may be offered only pursuant to regulations established by the Administrator, subject to such limitations or conditions as the Administrator may require.

''(6) USE OF EXISTING FUNDS.—The Administrator shall carry out this subsection using amounts otherwise made available to the Administrator and no additional funds are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subsection.''.

(b) VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.—

Subchapter II of chapter 35 of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in section 3521—

(A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

''(1) 'agency'—

''(A) means an Executive agency as defined under section 105 (other than the Government Accountability Office); and

''(B) includes the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and''; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by striking ''and'' at the end;

(ii) in subparagraph (B)(vi)(III), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

''(C) shall include an employee of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration appointed in accordance with paragraph (1) or (2) of section 20113(b) of title 51, without regard to any other provision of such section 20113(b).''; and

(2) in section 3523(b)(3)(B), by inserting '', or, with respect to an employee of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, including an employee described in section 3521(2)(C), not to exceed $40,000'' after ''$25,000''.

SA 1882. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3314. PROHIBITION ON PROCUREMENT OF CLEAN AND ZERO EMISSION VEHICLES FROM SOURCES USING FORCED OR CHILD LABOR.

No Federal funds may be obligated or expended for the procurement of clean or zero-emission vehicles for Federal, State, local, or Tribal government fleets, including vehicles of the United States Postal Service, until 45 days after the President certifies to Congress that the vehicles so procured do not contain materials that were sourced, processed, or produced—

(1) in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region or in facilities located outside Xinjiang that use labor or goods from Xinjiang;

(2) with child labor, as such term is defined in Article 3 of the International Labor Organization Convention concerning the prohibition and immediate action for the elimination of the worst forms of child labor (December 2, 2000), or in violation of human rights; or

(3) with forced labor, as such term is defined section 307 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1307).

SA 1883. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE ____—ONSHORING RARE EARTHS ACT

SEC. _____1. PERMANENT FULL EXPENSING FOR PROPERTY USED TO EXTRACT CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(11) SPECIAL RULE FOR PROPERTY USED IN THE EXTRACTION OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any qualified property which is directly involved in extracting critical minerals and metals from deposits in the United States—

''(i) paragraph (2)(A)(iii) shall not apply, and

''(ii) the applicable percentage shall be 100 percent.

''(B) CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'critical minerals and metals' means cerium, cobalt, dysprosium, erbium, europium, gadolinium, graphite, holmium, lanthanum, lithium, lutetium, manganese, neodymium, praseodymium, promethium, samarium, scandium, terbium, thulium, ytterbium, and yttrium.''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to property placed in service after December 31, 2020.

SEC. _____2. PERMANENT FULL EXPENSING FOR NONRESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY USED IN THE EXTRACTION OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(n) SPECIAL ALLOWANCE FOR NONRESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY USED IN THE EXTRACTION OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.—

''(1) NEW STRUCTURES.—In the case of any qualified real property—

''(A)(i) if such property is placed in service on or after the date of enactment of this subsection, the depreciation deduction provided by section 167(a) for the taxable year in which such property is placed in service shall include an allowance equal to 100 percent of the adjusted basis of such property, or

''(ii) if such property was placed in service before the date of enactment of this subsection, the depreciation deduction provided by section 167(a) for the first taxable year beginning after such date shall include an allowance equal to 100 percent of the adjusted basis of such property, and

''(B) the adjusted basis of such property shall be reduced by the amount of such deduction before computing the amount otherwise allowable as a depreciation deduction under this chapter for such taxable year and any subsequent taxable year.

''(2) QUALIFIED REAL PROPERTY.—For purposes of this subsection, the term 'qualified real property' means any nonresidential real property which is directly involved in extracting critical minerals and metals (as defined in subsection (k)(11)(B)) from deposits in the United States.''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

SEC. _____3. DEDUCTION FOR PURCHASE OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS EXTRACTED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part VI of subchapter B of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after section 176 the following new section:

''SEC. 177. DEDUCTION FOR PURCHASE OF CRITICAL MINERALS AND METALS EXTRACTED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

''(a) ALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—There shall be allowed as a deduction for the taxable year an amount equal to 200 percent of the cost paid or incurred by the taxpayer for the purchase or acquisition of critical minerals and metals (as defined in section 168(k)(11)(B)) which have been extracted from deposits in the United States.

''(b) APPLICATION WITH OTHER DEDUCTIONS.—No deduction shall be allowed under any other provision of this chapter with respect to any expenditure with respect to which a deduction is allowed or allowable under this section to the taxpayer.''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for part VI of subchapter B of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 176 the following new item:

''Sec. 177. Deduction for purchase of critical minerals and metals extracted within the United States.''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to amounts paid or incurred after December 31, 2020.

SA 1884. Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. HAGERTY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title II of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3219L. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS UNDER PROTECTING EUROPE'S ENERGY SECURITY ACT OF 2019 WITH RESPECT TO NORD STREAM 2.

Not later than 15 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall impose the sanctions described in subsections (b) and (c) of section 7503 of the Protecting Europe's Energy Security Act of 2019 (title LXXV of Public Law 116–92; 22 U.S.C. 9526 note) with respect to the following:

(1) Nord Stream 2 AG.

(2) Matthias Warnig.

(3) Paul Corcoran.

(4) Marco Casirati.

(5) Reinhard Ontyd.

(6) Pavel Persidskii.

(7) Any other corporate officer of or principal shareholder with a controlling interest in Nord Stream 2 AG.

SA 1885. Mr. HAGERTY (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. CORNYN, and Mrs. BLACKBURN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 4111, strike paragraph (5).

In section 4112(2), strike subparagraphs (A) through (C) and insert the following:

(A) all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States; or

(B) the manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States.

In section 4112(6), strike subparagraphs (A) through (C) and insert the following:

(A) in the case of iron or steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States; and

(B) in the case of manufactured products, that—

(i) the manufactured product was manufactured in the United States; and

(ii) the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product, unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation.

In section 4114(a), strike ''manufactured products, and construction materials'' and insert ''and manufactured products''.

In section 4114(b)(2), strike ''manufactured products, or construction materials'' and insert ''or manufactured products''.

In section 4114(b)(3), strike ''manufactured products, or construction materials'' and insert ''or manufactured products''.

In section 4115, strike subsection (b).

In section 4116(c), strike ''manufactured product, or construction material'' and insert ''or manufactured product''.

In section 4117(a), strike ''manufactured products, and construction materials'' and insert ''and manufactured products''.

SA 1886. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. REPORT ON RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES BY ALL EXECUTIVE AGENCIES.

Not later than 60 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, in coordination with the Office of Science and Technology Policy, shall submit to Congress a report providing a detailed assessment of expenditures for research and development by all Executive agencies (as defined in section 105 of title 5, United States Code) during fiscal years 2017 through 2021.

SA 1887. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title II of division B, add the following:

SEC. 2219. GAO REPORT ON DUPLICATION.

Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report assessing the research and

development authorities provided by law across the Federal Government and where they overlap or are duplicative.

SA 1888. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 2005, insert the following:

SEC. 2006. EFFECTIVE DATE.

(a) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Division B and the amendments made by division B shall take effect on the date that is 60 days after the date of enactment of the certifying joint resolution.

(b) CERTIFYING JOINT RESOLUTION.—In this section the term ''certifying joint resolution'' means a joint resolution—

(1) which does not have a preamble;

(2) the title of which is as follows ''Joint resolution certifying that the report under section 9412 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) has been submitted to Congress.''; and

(3) the matter after the resolving clause of which is as follows: ''That Congress certifies that the report required under section 9412 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) has been submitted to Congress.''.

SA 1889. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. PROTECTING AMERICANS AGAINST FENTANYL AND OTHER SYNTHETIC OPIOIDS.

(a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the United States that—

(1) fentanyl and other synthetic opioids, which are being smuggled into the United States and killing tens of thousands of Americans annually, shall be treated as weapons of mass destruction; and

(2) all cabinet officials and other Government officers shall, in advancing American interests by working with other countries and international organizations, advocate for treating fentanyl and other synthetic opioids as weapons of mass destruction.

(b) HOMELAND SECURITY ACT OF 2002.—Section 1921 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 591g) is amended by inserting ''fentanyl or synthetic opioid,'' after ''chemical,''.

(c) CRIMINAL CODE.—Section 2332a(c)(2) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (C), by striking ''or'' at the end;

(2) in subparagraph (D), by striking ''and'' at the end and inserting ''or''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

''(E) illicit fentanyl, fentanyl analogues, or synthetic opioids; and''.

SA 1890. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO SUPPORT GAIN-OF-FUNCTION RESEARCH IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

None of the funds appropriated or authorized to be appropriated by this Act or any other Act may be used to support any gain-of-function research in the People's Republic of China.

SA 1891. Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. DAINES, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. LIMITATION ON RESEARCH.

None of the activities authorized by this Act may include, conduct, or support any research—

(1) using fetal tissue obtained from an induced abortion or any derivatives thereof;

(2) in which a human embryo is created or destroyed, discarded, or put at risk of injury;

(3) in which an embryo-like entity is created wholly or in part from human cells or components;

(4) in which a human embryo is intentionally created or modified to include a heritable genetic modification; or

(5) using any stem cell the derivation of which would be inconsistent with the standards established herein.

SA 1892. Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mr. MORAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2507(b)(3)(C), strike ''by any prior or subsequent Act,''.

In section 2507, add at the end the following:

(e) LIMITATION.—Amounts must be provided in advance in appropriations Acts for such purposes in order to exercise the authorities provided by this section.

SA 1893. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title III of division F, insert the following:

SEC. _____. TREATMENT OF EXEMPTIONS, RECORDKEEPING, AND CERTAIN COMMUNICATIONS UNDER FARA.

(a) LIMITATION ON EXEMPTIONS.—Section 3 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 613), is amended—

(1) in each of subsections (a) through (f), by striking the semicolon at the end of the subsection and inserting a period;

(2) in subsection (d)—

(A) by striking ''the provisions of the Act of November 4, 1939, as amended (54 Stat. 4), and such rules and regulations as may be prescribed thereunder'' and inserting ''the Neutrality Act of 1939 (22 U.S.C. 441 et seq.) (including any regulations promulgated pursuant to that Act)'';

(B) by striking ''(3) in the'' and inserting the following:

''(C) the'';

(C) in the matter preceding subparagraph (C) (as so designated), by striking ''such foreign principal; or (2) in other'' and inserting the following: ''the foreign principal;

''(B) other''; and

(D) in the matter preceding subparagraph (B) (as so designated), by striking ''only (1) in private'' and inserting the following: ''only in—

''(A) private'';

(3) in subsection (f)—

(A) by striking the second sentence and inserting the following:

''(B) On provision of notice to the applicable person or employee, or to the government of which a person is an agent or employee, the Attorney General, having due regard for the public interest and national defense—

''(i) on approval of the Secretary of State, may terminate, in whole or in part, the exemption of the person or employee under this paragraph; and

''(ii) on receipt of a request of the Secretary of State, shall terminate, in whole or in part, the exemption of the person or employee under this paragraph.''; and

(B) in the first sentence—

(i) by striking ''disclosed therein, and (3) such government'' and inserting the following: ''disclosed in the communication or expression; and

''(iii) the applicable government'';

(ii) in the matter preceding clause (iii) (as so designated), by striking ''States, (2) each'' and inserting the following: ''States;

''(ii) each'';

(iii) in the matter preceding clause (ii) (as so designated), by striking ''while, (1) such person'' and inserting the following: ''during the period in which—

''(i) the person''; and

(iv) in the matter preceding clause (i) (as so designated), by striking ''Any person, or employee of such person,'' and inserting ''(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), any person (or employee of a person)'';

(4) in subsection (g), by striking ''States: *Provided*, That for the purpose of this subsection'' and inserting ''States, subject to the condition that, for purposes of this subsection,'';

(5) by redesignating subsections (a) through (h) as paragraphs (1) through (8), respectively, and indenting the paragraphs appropriately;

(6) by striking the section designation and heading and all that follows through ''hereof'' in the matter preceding paragraph (1) (as so redesignated) and inserting the following:

''SEC. 3. EXEMPTIONS.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the requirements of section 2(a)''; and

(7) by adding at the end the following:

''(b) LIMITATION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES.—The exemptions under paragraphs (3), (4), (5), and (8) of subsection (a) shall not apply to any foreign principal or agent of a foreign principal that is included on the list maintained by the Attorney General under section 5(b)(2).''.

(b) BOOKS AND RECORDS.—

(1) LIST OF FOREIGN PRINCIPALS THAT VIOLATE HUMAN RIGHTS.—Section 5 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 615), is amended—

(A) in the fourth sentence—

(i) by striking ''the provisions of this section'' and inserting ''this subsection''; and

(ii) by striking ''It shall be'' and inserting the following:

''(4) PROHIBITION.—It shall be'';

(B) in the third sentence, by striking ''Such books and records'' and inserting the following:

''(3) AVAILABILITY.—The books and records required to be maintained under this subsection'';

(C) in the second sentence, by striking ''Until regulations are in effect under this section every'' and inserting the following:

''(2) PERIOD PRECEDING REGULATIONS.—During the period beginning on the date of enactment of this section and ending on the date on which regulations are in effect under this section, each'';

(D) by striking the section designation and heading and all that follows through the end of the first sentence and inserting the following:

''SEC. 5. BOOKS OF ACCOUNT AND RECORDS; LIST OF FOREIGN PRINCIPALS THAT VIOLATE HUMAN RIGHTS; INCLUSION OF CRYPTOCURRENCY.

''(a) BOOKS OF ACCOUNT AND RECORDS.—

''(1) REQUIREMENTS FOR AGENTS OF FOREIGN PRINCIPALS.—Subject to paragraph (2), each agent of a foreign principal that is registered under this Act shall—

''(A) maintain, during the period of service as an agent of a foreign principal, all books of account and other records with respect to the activities of the agent of a foreign principal the disclosure of which is required under this Act, in accordance with such business and accounting practices as the Attorney General, having due regard for the national security and the public interest, determines, by regulation, to be necessary or appropriate for the enforcement of this Act; and

''(B) preserve the books and records described in subparagraph (A) for a period of not less than 3 years after the date of termination of the status of the agent as an agent of a foreign principal.''; and

(E) by adding at the end the following:

''(b) LIST OF FOREIGN PRINCIPALS THAT VIOLATE HUMAN RIGHTS.—

''(1) FURNISHMENT BY STATE DEPARTMENT.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall provide to the Attorney General a list of, and any relevant information relating to, each foreign principal that is prohibited from receiving assistance under—

''(i) part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.) by reason of the application of section 116 of that Act (22 U.S.C. 2151n); or

''(ii) part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.) by reason of the application of section 502B of that Act (22 U.S.C. 2304).

''(B) UPDATES.—The Secretary of State shall update the list and any related information under subparagraph (A) as the Secretary determines to be necessary and appropriate.

''(2) MAINTENANCE BY ATTORNEY GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall, for purposes of this Act—

''(A) use the list and any related information provided by the Department of State under paragraph (1) to maintain a list of all foreign principals described in paragraph (1)(A); and

''(B) share with the Secretary of State any relevant information relating to a foreign principal included on that list.''.

(2) INCLUSION OF CRYPTOCURRENCY.—Section 5 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 615) (as amended by paragraph (1)), is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(c) INCLUSION OF CRYPTOCURRENCY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any reference contained in this Act to any type of loan or payment (including a disbursement, compensation, financing, a subsidy, a contribution, a subscription, aid, assistance, a fee, a charge, a fine, furnishment, or remuneration), funds (including accounts, money, income, or amounts), a thing of value, trade, or commerce shall include the use, in the applicable transaction, of cryptocurrency.''.

(3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 7 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 617), is amended—

(A) in the third sentence—

(i) by striking ''any such agent'' and inserting ''any organization acting as an agent''; and

(ii) by striking ''In case'' and inserting the following:

''(2) LIABLE PERSONS.—In the case'';

(B) in the second sentence, by striking ''Dissolution'' and inserting the following:

''(b) ORGANIZATIONS AS AGENTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The dissolution''; and

(C) in the first sentence—

(i) by striking ''as and when such filing is required under sections 2(a) and 2(b) hereof'' and inserting ''in any case in which such a filing is required under subsection (a) or (b) of section 2,'';

(ii) by striking ''and 5'' and inserting ''and 5(a)''; and

(iii) by striking the section designation and all that follows through ''Each officer'' and inserting the following:

''SEC. 7. LIABILITY OF OFFICERS.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—Each officer''.

(c) APPLICABILITY.—Section 9 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 619), is amended—

(1) by striking the section designation and heading and all that follows through ''This Act'' and inserting the following:

''SEC. 9. APPLICABILITY OF ACT.

''(a) IN GENERAL.—This Act''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

''(b) LIMITED-CHARACTER ELECTRONIC MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each disclosure, filing, and statement (including a statement for purposes of labeling under section 4) required to be made by a foreign principal under this Act (including regulations) shall be required to accompany any text, message, statement, or other communication of an agent of a foreign principal through a limited-character electronic medium, such as—

''(A) a banner ad; or

''(B) any other social media platform in which a character limitation normally would prevent such a communication from including a disclaimer or label on the same Internet webpage or electronic platform as the communication.

''(2) UNIVERSAL SYMBOL OR CHARACTER.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this subsection, the Attorney General shall develop a universal symbol or character for use in indicating that a disclosure, filing, or statement under paragraph (1) is required to accompany a communication described in that paragraph.

''(B) PUBLICATION.—The Attorney General shall make publicly available the meaning of the character or symbol developed under subparagraph (A) for purposes of—

''(i) the enforcement of this Act; and

''(ii) public awareness, generally.

''(3) ENFORCEMENT.—The Attorney General may carry out such actions as the Attorney General determines to be necessary and appropriate to enforce the requirements of this subsection.''.

SA 1894. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division F, add the following:

TITLE IV—DEFENSE SUPPLY CHAIN SECURITY

SEC. 6401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Defense Supply Chain Security Act of 2021''.

SEC. 6402. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) rising risks associated with near-peer global competition to the diffuse United States supply chains of critical defense technologies in the United States defense industrial base pose an emergent threat; and

(2) should the President or the President's designee need to develop a plan of action to form voluntary agreements under section 708(c) the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4558(C)), such plan or agreements must take into account emerging technology that is critical to United States national security, with respect to the following:

(A) Microelectronics.

(B) Advanced manufacturing.

(C) Hypersonics.

(D) Directed energy.

(E) Advanced communications.

(F) Unmanned aerial systems.

(G) Advanced robotics.

(H) Artificial intelligence and machine learning.

(I) Quantum technology.

(J) Other emerging technologies as they are developed.

SEC. 6403. JOINT COMMITTEE ON DEFENSE PRODUCTION.

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—There shall be a joint congressional committee known as the Joint Committee on Defense Production (in this section referred to as the ''Joint Committee'').

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—

(1) NUMBER.—The Joint Committee shall be composed of 10 members, as follows:

(A) Three members appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate.

(B) Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.

(C) Three members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(D) Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

(2) VACANCIES.— A vacancy in the Joint Committee—

(A) shall not affect the powers of the remaining members to execute the functions of the Joint Committee; and

(B) shall be filled in the same manner in which the membership was originally filled.

(3) ALLOWANCES.—The members of the Joint Committee shall serve without compensation in addition to that received for their services as Members of Congress, but they shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties vested in the Joint Committee, other than expenses in connection with meetings of the Joint Committee held in the District of Columbia during such times as Congress is in session.

(4) CHAIR; VICE CHAIR.—The Chair and Vice Chair of the Joint Committee shall alternate between one of the members appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate and one of the members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, with the former serving as the Chair in each odd-numbered Congress and the latter serving as the Chair in each even-numbered Congress.

(c) STAFF.—

(1) CHIEF OF STAFF.—The Joint Committee shall have power to appoint and fix the compensation of the Chief of Staff of the Joint Committee.

(2) PERMANENT STAFF.—The Joint Committee shall have the power to employ and fix the compensation of a permanent staff to facilitate the work of the Joint Committee under the direction of its Chair and Vice Chair. The staff shall serve the Joint Committee jointly on a professional, non-partisan basis.

(3) CLERICAL, STENOGRAPHIC, AND OTHER ASSISTANTS.—The Joint Committee shall have power to appoint and fix the compensation of clerical, stenographic, and other assistants to facilitate the work of the Joint Committee under the direction of its Chair and Vice Chair.

(4) ACCESS TO NATIONAL SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION.—The Chief of Staff and permanent staff of the Joint Committee shall have access to all national security and intelligence information necessary to facilitate the work of the Joint Committee under the direction of its Chair and Vice Chair.

(d) PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.—The expenses of the Joint Committee shall be paid one-half from the contingent fund of the Senate and one-half from the contingent fund of the House of Representatives, upon vouchers signed by the Chair or the Vice Chair.

(e) DUTIES.—The Joint Committee shall—

(1) study the defense industrial base on a continuing basis, including reviewing progress achieved in the execution and administration of programs that contribute to the security, reliability, and resiliency of the defense industrial base;

(2) upon request, aid the standing committees of Congress having legislative jurisdiction over any part of the programs authorized by this title;

(3) make periodic reports to the Senate and the House of Representatives concerning the results of its studies, together with such recommendations as it may consider appropriate;

(4) establish and maintain procedures for the preservation of critical technologies, as described in subsection (f);

(5) study the industrial mobilization plans and procedures of the Department of Defense to execute a military conflict scenario consistent with the scenario used by the Secretary of Defense for budgeting and defense planning purposes, with a particular focus on the integration of the private sector, government-owned and contractor-operated facilities, and the organic industrial base; and

(6) consult with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy in the execution of duties covered under this paragraph.

(f) TIERED SCHEDULE OF CRITICAL SUPPLY CHAINS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In consultation with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy, the Joint Committee shall establish and maintain a taxonomy for characterizing the defense industrial base and making recommendations to preserve critical technologies, identified as such by the Joint Committee.

(2) PRESERVATION OF CRITICAL TECHNOLOGIES.—At minimum, the Joint Committee shall make recommendations for the preservation of critical technologies in the following tiers:

(A) Tier 1: Supply chains, inputs, raw materials, and labor that should be sourced entirely from United States entities, without exception and in accordance with paragraph (3).

(B) Tier 2: Supply chains, inputs, raw materials, and labor that should be sourced either from United States entities or from entities owned and controlled by foreign nationals in United States allies and foreign nations that have entered into formal agreements with the Department of Defense, including through reciprocal defense procurement agreements or security of supply agreements.

(C) Tier 3: Supply chains, inputs, raw materials, and labor that should be sourced from any source other than a prohibited source, as defined under section 2533c of title 10, United States Code.

(D) Tier 4: Supply chains, inputs, raw materials, and labor that may be sourced without restriction.

(3) TIER 1 SOURCING REQUIREMENT.—Supply chains, inputs, raw materials, and labor designated Tier 1 pursuant to paragraph (2)(A) may not be sourced from United States entities or entities owned and controlled by foreign nationals in United States allies and foreign nations that are—

(A) designated as a foreign terrorist organization by the Secretary of State under section 219(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189(a));

(B) included on the list of specially designated nationals and blocked persons maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury (commonly known as the SDN list);

(C) owned by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of a government of a foreign country that is a covered nation (as defined under section 2533c(d) of title 10, United States Code);

(D) alleged by the Attorney General to have been involved in activities for which a conviction was obtained under—

(i) chapter 37 of title 18, United States Code (commonly known as the ''Espionage Act'');

(ii) section 951 or 1030 of title 18, United States Code;

(iii) chapter 90 of title 18, United States Code (commonly known as the ''Economic Espionage Act of 1996'');

(iv) the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.);

(v) section 224, 225, 226, 227, or 236 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2274, 2275, 2276, 2277, and 2284);

(vi) the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4801 et seq.); or

(vii) the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); or

(E) determined by the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and the Director of National Intelligence, to be engaged in unauthorized conduct that is detrimental to the national security or foreign policy of the United States.

(g) POWERS.—The Joint Committee may hold hearings, sit and act at such times and places, require by subpoena (to be issued under the signature of the Chair or Vice Chair of the Joint Committee) or otherwise the attendance of such witnesses and the production of such books, papers, and documents, administer such oaths, take such testimony, procure such printing and binding, and make such expenditures as it considers advisable.

(h) UNITED STATES ENTITY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''United States entity'' means an entity—

(1) not less than 50 percent of the equity interest in which is owned by citizens or nationals of the United States (as defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a))); and

(2) that maintains its headquarters and the majority of its production facilities in the United States.

SEC. 6404. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR INDUSTRIAL BASE POLICY.

Not later than 2 years after the confirmation of the first Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy under section 138 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 903 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives and the Joint Committee on Defense Production a report on the strategy, effectiveness, and responsibilities of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy.

SA 1895. Mr. KAINE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 3114 and insert the following:

SEC. 3114. INFRASTRUCTURE TRANSACTION AND ASSISTANCE NETWORK.

(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of State is authorized to establish an initiative, to be known as the ''Infrastructure Transaction and Assistance Network'', under which the Secretary of State, in consultation with other relevant Federal agencies, including those represented on the Global Infrastructure Coordinating Committee, may carry out various programs to advance the development of sustainable, transparent, and high-quality physical and digital infrastructure in the Indo-Pacific and Latin America and Caribbean regions by—

(1) strengthening capacity-building programs to improve project evaluation processes, regulatory and procurement environments, and project preparation capacity of countries that are partners of the United States in such development;

(2) providing transaction advisory services and project preparation assistance to support sustainable infrastructure; and

(3) coordinating the provision of United States assistance for the development of infrastructure, including infrastructure that utilizes United States manufactured goods and services, and catalyzing investment led by the private sector.

(b) TRANSACTION ADVISORY FUND.—As part of the ''Infrastructure Transaction and Assistance Network'' described under subsection (a), the Secretary of State is authorized to provide support, including through the Transaction Advisory Fund, for advisory services to help boost the capacity of partner countries to evaluate contracts and assess the financial, environmental, and digital security impacts of potential infrastructure projects, including through providing services such as—

(1) legal services;

(2) project preparation and feasibility studies;

(3) debt sustainability analyses;

(4) digital vulnerability analyses;

(5) bid or proposal evaluation; and

(6) other services relevant to advancing the development of sustainable, transparent, and high quality infrastructure.

(c) STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE FUND.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—As part of the ''Infrastructure Transaction and Assistance Network'' described under subsection (a), the Secretary of State is authorized to provide support, including through the Strategic Infrastructure Fund, for technical assistance, project preparation, pipeline development, and other infrastructure project support.

(2) JOINT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.—Funds authorized for the Strategic Infrastructure Fund should be used in coordination with the Department of Defense, the International Development Finance Corporation, like-minded donor partners, and multilateral banks, as appropriate, to support joint infrastructure projects in the Indo-Pacific and Latin America and Caribbean regions.

(3) STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.—Funds authorized for the Strategic Infrastructure Fund should be used to support strategic infrastructure projects that are in the national security interest of the United States and vulnerable to strategic competitors.

(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated, for each of fiscal years 2022 to 2026, $125,000,000 to the Infrastructure Transaction and Assistance Network, of which $35,000,000 is to be provided for the Transaction Advisory Fund.

SA 1896. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 2645, insert the following:

SEC. 2645A. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMERCIAL SMALLSAT DATA PROGRAM.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Section 60501 of title 51, United States Code, states that the goal of the Administration's Earth science program is ''to pursue a program of Earth observations, research, and applications activities to better understand the Earth, how it supports life, and how human activities affect its ability to do so in the future''.

(2) Section 50115 title 51, United States Code, directs the Administrator to acquire space-based and airborne Earth remote sensing data, services, distribution, and applications from a commercial provider.

(3) In 2019, the Administrator established the Commercial SmallSat Data Acquisition Pilot Program to identify, evaluate, and acquire data from commercial sources that support NASA's Earth science research and application goals, and NASA has—

(A) determined, in its 2020 final evaluation entitled ''Commercial SmallSat Data Acquisition Program Pilot Evaluation Report'', that the program has been a success;

(B) expanded its procurement arrangements with commercial vendors to provide Earth remote sensing data and imagery to NASA-funded scientists; and

(C) sought to increase the number of commercial vendors, expand acquisition of commercial data products, and broaden user access despite a lack of corresponding growth in the program's budget.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMERCIAL SMALLSAT DATA PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 603 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''§ 60307. Commercial SmallSat Data program

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Administrator shall establish within the Earth Science Division of the Science Mission Directorate a program, to be known as the 'Commercial SmallSat Data Program' (referred to in this section as the 'Program'), to procure and disseminate commercial Earth observation data and imagery.

''(b) DATA PUBLICATION AND TRANSPARENCY.—The terms and conditions of commercial remote sensing data acquisitions under the Program may not prevent the publication of—

''(1) data for scientific purposes; or

''(2) information that enhances the original data of a vendor.

''(c) FUNDING.—The Administrator may obligate such sums as necessary—

''(1) to procure from commercial vendors the remote sensing data and imagery necessary to advance NASA scientific research and applications; and

''(2) to establish or modify end-use license terms and conditions to allow individuals other than NASA-funded users to use such procured data and imagery.

''(d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that includes the following:

''(1) A list of all vendors that provide remote sensing data and imagery to NASA.

''(2) The end-use license terms and conditions for each such vendor.

''(3) A description of the manner in which each such vendor is advancing scientific research and applications, including the priorities recommended in the decadal surveys of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.

''(4) A determination as to whether the Administrator has entered into any agreement with a commercial vendor or any other civilian agency that permits the use of data and imagery by Federal Government employees, contractors, or non-Federal users.''.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 603 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 60306 the following:

''60307. Commercial SmallSat Data program.''.

SA 1897. Mr. MANCHIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2515 and insert the following:

SEC. 2515. RESTRICTIONS ON NUCLEAR COOPERATION WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the document entitled ''U.S. Policy Framework on Civil Nuclear Cooperation with China'' (PF 2019–03), which was issued on October 11, 2018, places necessary and appropriate restrictions on nuclear cooperation with the People's Republic of China and should, therefore, remain in force.

(b) REPORTS ON MODIFICATIONS TO RESTRICTIONS.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 60 days before the date on which the Secretary of Energy seeks to modify any restriction on the transfer of United States civil nuclear technology to the People's Republic of China, the Secretary of Energy, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State and after consultation with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Secretary of Defense and review by the Director of National Intelligence, shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on such modification, including a description of, and explanation for, the modification.

(2) FORM.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(c) REVIEW OF PRIOR NUCLEAR COOPERATION AND ASSOCIATED IMPACTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall initiate—

(A) a review of nuclear cooperation during the 10-year period ending on the date of the enactment of this Act between the United

States Government and the People's Republic of China, including the role of the Department of State in facilitating such cooperation; and

(B) assessing the implications of the cooperation described in subparagraph (A) on the national security of the United States.

(2) ELEMENTS.—In conducting the review and assessment under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General shall examine all nuclear cooperation activities between the United States Government and the People's Republic of China during the 10-year period ending on the date of the enactment of this Act, including—

(A) all trips relating to nuclear cooperation taken by officials of the United States Government to the People's Republic of China;

(B) all exchanges of goods, services, data, or information between officials of the United States Government and the Government of the People's Republic of China or any entity owned or controlled by that Government or organized under the laws of the People's Republic of China;

(C) all instances in which officials of the United States Government hosted officials from, or significantly tied to, the Government of the People's Republic of China or any entity described in subparagraph (B).

(3) DEADLINE AND REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after Comptroller General initiates the review and assessment under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General shall—

(A) complete the review and assessment; and

(B) submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report containing the results of the review and assessment, which shall be unclassified but, if necessary, may include a classified annex.

(4) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 60 days after the date on which the Comptroller General submits the report required by paragraph (3), the Comptroller General shall make the report publicly available in an easily accessible electronic format, with appropriate redactions for information that, in the determination of the Secretary of Energy, would be damaging to the national security of the United States if disclosed.

(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit—

(1) United States commercial activities that are consistent with the laws and regulations of the United States; or

(2) limited diplomatic engagement or dialogue—

(A) including regarding protection of the intellectual property and trade secrets of United States persons; and

(B) except for any diplomatic engagement or dialogue relating to or aimed at facilitating the transfer of nuclear technology.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) NUCLEAR COOPERATION.—The term ''nuclear cooperation'' means cooperation with respect to nuclear activities, including the development, use, or control of atomic energy, including any activities involving the processing or utilization of source material, byproduct material, or special nuclear material (as those terms are defined in section 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2014)).

(3) NUCLEAR COOPERATION ACTIVITIES.—The term ''nuclear cooperation activities'' means activities relating to nuclear cooperation.

(4) RESTRICTION ON THE TRANSFER OF UNITED STATES CIVIL NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—The term ''restriction on the transfer of United States civil nuclear technology to the People's Republic of China'' includes the 2018 United States Policy Framework on Civil Nuclear Cooperation with China of the Department of Energy.

SA 1898. Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division C, add the following:

SEC. 33___. ADMISSION OF CERTAIN HONG KONG RESIDENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the ''Hong Kong Safe Harbor Act''.

(b) DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN RESIDENTS OF HONG KONG AS PRIORITY 2 REFUGEES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall designate, as Priority 2 refugees of special humanitarian concern, the following categories of aliens:

(A) Individuals who are residents of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region who suffered persecution, or have a well-founded fear of persecution, on account of their peaceful expression of political opinions or peaceful participation in political activities or associations.

(B) Individuals who have been formally charged, detained, or convicted on account of their peaceful actions as described in section 206(b)(2) of the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 (22 U.S.C. 5726).

(C) The spouses, children, and parents (as such terms are defined in subsections (a) and (b) of section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101)) of individuals described in subparagraph (A) or (B), except such parents who are citizens of a country other than the People's Republic of China.

(2) PROCESSING OF HONG KONG REFUGEES.—The processing of individuals described in paragraph (1) for classification as refugees may occur in Hong Kong or in a third country.

(3) ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION AS REFUGEES.—An alien may not be denied the opportunity to apply for admission as a refugee under this subsection primarily because such alien—

(A) qualifies as an immediate relative of a citizen of the United States; or

(B) is eligible for admission to the United States under any other immigrant classification.

(4) FACILITATION OF ADMISSIONS.—An applicant for admission to the United States from the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region may not be denied primarily on the basis of a politically motivated arrest, detention, or other adverse government action taken against such applicant as a result of the participation by such applicant in protest activities.

(5) EXCLUSION FROM NUMERICAL LIMITATIONS.—Aliens provided refugee status under this subsection shall not be counted against any numerical limitation under section 201, 202, 203, or 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151, 1152, 1153, and 1157).

(6) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 90 days thereafter, the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Homeland Security shall submit a report regarding the matters described in subparagraph (B) to—

(i) the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate;

(ii) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate;

(iii) the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives; and

(iv) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(B) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—Each report required under subparagraph (A) shall include—

(i) the total number of applications that are pending at the end of the reporting period;

(ii) the average wait-times for all applicants who are currently pending—

(I) employment verification;

(II) a prescreening interview with a resettlement support center;

(III) an interview with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services; or

(IV) the completion of security checks; and

(iii) the number of denials of applications for refugee status, disaggregated by the reason for each such denial.

(C) FORM.—Each report required under subparagraph (A) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(D) PUBLIC REPORTS.—The Secretary of State shall make each report submitted under this paragraph available to the public on the internet website of the Department of State.

(7) SATISFACTION OF OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—Aliens granted status under this subsection as Priority 2 refugees of special humanitarian concern under the refugee resettlement priority system shall be considered to satisfy the requirements under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1157) for admission to the United States.

(c) WAIVER OF IMMIGRANT STATUS PRESUMPTION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The presumption under the first sentence of section 214(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(b)) that every alien is an immigrant until the alien establishes that the alien is entitled to nonimmigrant status shall not apply to an alien described in paragraph (2).

(2) ALIEN DESCRIBED.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—An alien described in this paragraph is an alien who—

(i) is a resident of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on February 8, 2021;

(ii) is seeking entry to the United States to apply for asylum under section 208 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1158); and

(iii)(I) had a leadership role in civil society organizations supportive of the protests in 2019 and 2020 relating to the Hong Kong extradition bill and the encroachment on the autonomy of Hong Kong by the People's Republic of China;

(II) had an organizing role for such protests;

(III) acted as a first aid responder for such protests;

(IV) suffered harm while covering such protests as a journalist;

(V) provided paid or pro-bono legal services to 1 or more individuals arrested for participating in such protests; or

(VI) during the period beginning on June 9, 2019, and ending on February 8, 2021, was formally charged, detained, or convicted for his or her participation in such protests.

(B) EXCLUSION.—An alien described in this paragraph does not include any alien who is a citizen of a country other than the People's Republic of China.

(d) REFUGEE AND ASYLUM DETERMINATIONS UNDER THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT.—

(1) PERSECUTION ON ACCOUNT OF POLITICAL OPINION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of refugee determinations under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1157), an individual whose citizenship, nationality, or residency is revoked for having submitted to any United States Government agency a nonfrivolous application for refugee status, asylum, or any other immigration benefit under the immigration laws (as defined in section 101(a) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a))) shall be considered to have suffered persecution on account of political opinion.

(B) NATIONALS OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—For purposes of refugee determinations under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1157), a national of the People's Republic of China whose residency in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, or any other area within the jurisdiction of the People's Republic of China, as determined by the Secretary of State, is revoked for having submitted to any United States Government agency a nonfrivolous application for refugee status, asylum, or any other immigration benefit under the immigration laws shall be considered to have suffered persecution on account of political opinion.

(2) CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES.—For purposes of asylum determinations under section 208 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1158), the revocation of the citizenship, nationality, or residency of an individual for having submitted to any United States Government agency a nonfrivolous application for refugee status, asylum, or any other immigration benefit under the immigration laws shall be considered to be a changed circumstance under subsection (a)(2)(D) of such section.

(e) STATEMENT OF POLICY ON ENCOURAGING ALLIES AND PARTNERS TO MAKE SIMILAR ACCOMMODATIONS.—It is the policy of the United States to encourage allies and partners of the United States to make accommodations similar to the accommodations made under this Act for residents of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region who are fleeing oppression by the Government of the People's Republic of China.

(f) TERMINATION.—This section shall cease to have effect on the date that is 5 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SA 1899. Mr. CRUZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division B, add the following:

SEC. 2309. COMPUTING ENCLAVE PILOT PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director, in consultation with the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the Secretary of Energy, shall continue and expand a pilot program to ensure the security of federally supported research data and to assist regional institutions of higher education and their researchers regarding the safeguarding of sensitive information.

(b) STRUCTURE.—In carrying out the pilot program described in subsection (a), the Director shall select not less than 3 and not more than 5 institutions of higher education from among institutions classified under the Indiana University Center for Postsecondary Research Carnegie Classification as a doctorate-granting university with a very high level of research activity, and with a history of working with secure information, for the development, installation, maintenance, or sustainment of secure computing enclaves.

(c) REGIONALIZATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In selecting institutions of higher education under subsection (b), the Director shall give preference to institutions of higher education with the capability of serving other regional institutions of higher education.

(2) GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—The Director shall ensure that institutions of higher education selected under subsection (b) are geographically dispersed to better meet the needs of regional interests.

(d) PROGRAM ELEMENTS.—The Director shall work with institutions of higher education selected under subsection (b) to—

(1) develop an approved design blueprint for compliance with Federal data protection protocols;

(2) develop a comprehensive list, or a bill of materials, of each binary component of the software, firmware, or product that is required to deploy additional secure computing enclaves;

(3) develop templates for all policies and procedures required to operate the secure computing enclave in a research setting;

(4) develop a system security plan template; and

(5) develop a process for managing a plan of action and milestones for the secure computing enclave.

(e) DURATION.—The pilot program described in subsection (a) shall operate for not less than 3 years.

(f) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall report to Congress not later than 6 months after the completion of the pilot program described in subsection (a).

(2) CONTENTS.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) an assessment of the pilot program described in subsection (a), including an assessment of the security benefits provided by such secure computing enclaves;

(B) recommendations related to the value of expanding the network of secure computing enclaves; and

(C) recommendations on the efficacy of the use of secure computing enclaves by other Federal agencies in a broader effort to expand security of Federal research.

SA 1900. Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1708 submitted by Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. LUJÁN) and intended to be proposed to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, beginning on line 2, strike ''Secretary of Defense'' and insert ''Secretary of Homeland Security''.

SA 1901. Mr. SULLIVAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In subsection (a)(1)(I) of section 2005 (relating to key technology focus areas) of division B, strike ''such as batteries'' and insert ''such as carbon capture utilization and sequestration, advanced fossil (hydrocarbon) energy, and batteries,''.

SA 1902. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III of division F, add the following:

SEC. 6302. REVIEW AND REFORM OF FOREIGN TRADE REGULATIONS AND EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce shall conduct a review, and as appropriate, revise the Foreign Trade Regulations and the Export Administration Regulations to ensure that definitions and regulatory requirements for collecting, compiling, and publishing export trade statistics are being administered and enforced in a fair, consistent, and equitable manner, including for exports of aircraft.

(b) COORDINATION.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall provide opportunities for interested non-Federal stakeholders to engage with, and provide input and recommendations to, the Secretary on the revision of the Foreign Trade Regulations and the Export Administration Regulations.

(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to Congress on—

(1) the progress made in the review conducted under subsection (a), including details on guidance material and educational outreach to exporters on their reporting obligations under the Foreign Trade Regulations and the Export Administration Regulations;

(2) strategies to ensure compliance for required filings through the Automated Export

System, including the Electronic Export Information filing, by developing guidance materials specific to exports of aircraft;

(3) opportunities for improving the understanding of the reporting requirements by all parties to both a routed and standard export transaction, including a review of existing guidance and the potential for new guidance defining which party to a transaction is the United States Principal Party In Interest or the Foreign Principal Party In Interest (as those terms are defined in section 30.1 of the Foreign Trade Regulations); and

(4) plans to enhance coordination between the Bureau of Industry and Security, the Bureau of the Census, and other Federal agencies in administering the Foreign Trade Regulations and the Export Administration Regulations and other relevant statutes and regulations.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS.—The term ''Export Administration Regulations'' has the meaning given that term in section 1742 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4801).

(2) FOREIGN TRADE REGULATIONS.—The term ''Foreign Trade Regulations'' means part 30 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations.

SA 1903. Mr. ROMNEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 3402, add the following:

(g) JOINT ENFORCEMENT WITH ALLIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the United States Trade Representative, in coordination with the Secretary of State, should seek to enter into negotiations with representatives from Australia, Canada, the European Union, Japan, New Zealand, South Korea, and the United Kingdom to stop the importation of goods made with stolen intellectual property, including goods made by enterprises on the list required by subsection (a), into the United States and countries that are allies of the United States.

(2) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Trade Representative, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall submit a report on the status of negotiations described in paragraph (1) to—

(A) the Committee on Finance and Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

SA 1904. Mr. ROMNEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 3213, add the following:

(c) NEGOTIATIONS ON FREE TRADE AGREEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the United States Trade Representative shall seek to enter into negotiations with representatives from Taiwan to establish a bilateral trade agreement between the United States and Taiwan.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Trade Representative shall submit to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives a report on the status of negotiations under paragraph (1).

SA 1905. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 349, beginning on line 7, strike ''under this'' and all that follows through ''Secretary'' on page 349, line 8, and insert the following: ''under this subsection, the Secretary''.

SA 1906. Ms. ROSEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. 5G COMMUNICATIONS FUND.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term ''eligible company'' means a United States-headquartered company that submits a proposal to the Secretary that demonstrates a likelihood of being able to use a grant awarded under subsection (c) to achieve the goals described in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of subsection (b);

(2) the term ''end-to-end solution'' means the necessary components and software deploy a complete, integrated network, including the core, radio access network, and interoperable equipment interfaces;

(3) the term ''Open RAN'' means open, interface standards-based compatible, interoperable radio access network architectures, such as equipment and software developed pursuant to the standards set forth by organizations such as the O-RAN Alliance, the Telecom Infra Project, the Third Generation Partnership Project (commonly known as ''3GPP''), the Open-RAN Software Community, or any successor organizations;

(4) the term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Commerce; and

(5) the term ''United States-headquartered company'' means a company or other business entity that, as determined by the Secretary—

(A) conducts a significant level of its research, development, engineering, manufacturing, integration, services, and information technology activities in the United States; and

(B) is a company or other business entity the majority ownership or control of which is by United States citizens.

(b) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that it is in the national interest of the United States to—

(1) identify, accelerate, and deploy innovation aimed at providing secure, end-to-end solutions for wireless communications networks comprising radio access and core to enhance the safety of the telecommunications architecture of the United States;

(2) ensure that the planning, design, engineering, deployment, and financing of networks described in paragraph (1) with Open RAN is conducted in an efficient and effective manner; and

(3) promote the rapid deployment of the end-to-end solutions described in paragraph (1) by United States-headquartered companies.

(c) ESTABLISHMENT OF GRANT PROGRAM.—The Secretary, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, and in consultation with the Federal Communications Commission, the Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Defense, and the Director of the Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, shall establish a grant program under which the Secretary awards grants to eligible companies to accelerate the development and deployment of Open RAN elements and networks using Open RAN specifications and interoperability for integrated Open RAN 5G networks capable of competing globally.

(d) MAXIMUM GRANT AMOUNT.—The amount of a grant awarded to an eligible company under subsection (c) may not exceed $100,000,000 per year.

(e) DIRECT APPROPRIATION.—There is appropriated, out of amounts in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, to remain available until September 30, 2026, $750,000,000.

(f) RELATION TO PUBLIC WIRELESS SUPPLY CHAIN INNOVATION FUND.—The grant program established under subsection (c) and the amounts appropriated for that program under subsection (e) shall be separate from the Public Wireless Supply Chain Innovation Fund established under section 9202(a)(1) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) and the amounts appropriated for that Fund under section 1003 of this Act.

SA 1907. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a

critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. EQUITY INVESTMENT BY THE SBIC PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part A of title III of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 681 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 302(a) (15 U.S.C. 682(a))—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''or'' at the end;

(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; or''; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

''(C) $20,000,000, adjusted every 5 years for inflation, with respect to each participating investment company under section 321.''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

''SEC. 321. SMALL BUSINESS VENTURE CAPITAL AND EQUITY COMPANY INVESTMENT FACILITY.

''(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) COVERED INVESTMENTS.—The term 'covered investments' means investments in—

''(A) small-business concerns operating in critical industries, including—

''(i) infrastructure, such as roads, bridges, and mass transit;

''(ii) water supply and sewer;

''(iii) the electrical grid;

''(iv) broadband and telecommunications; and

''(v) clean energy;

''(B) small-business concerns not less than 50 percent of which are owned and controlled by women, minorities, or veterans;

''(C) small-business concerns operating in rural or low-income areas, as determined by the Administrator using the most recently available data from the Bureau of the Census; or

''(D) small-business concerns that received awards under the SBIR or STTR program under section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638).

''(2) ELIGIBLE SMALL-BUSINESS CONCERN.—The term 'eligible small-business concern' means a small-business concern that is assigned a North American Industry Classification System code beginning with 31, 32, or 33 at the time at which the small-business concern receives an investment from a participating investment company under the facility.

''(3) FACILITY.—The term 'facility' means the facility established under subsection (b).

''(4) PARTICIPATING INVESTMENT COMPANY.—The term 'participating investment company' means a small business investment company approved to participate in the facility.

''(5) VENTURE SECURITY.—The term 'venture security' includes preferred stock, a preferred limited partnership interest or a similar instrument, including debentures under the terms of which interest is payable only to the extent of earnings.

''(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—

''(1) FACILITY.—The Administrator shall establish and carry out a facility to provide financial assistance to participating investment companies that make investments in covered investments or eligible small-business concerns in accordance with this section.

''(2) ADMINISTRATION OF FACILITY.—The facility shall be administered by the Administrator acting through the Associate Administrator described in section 201.

''(c) LICENSE.—The requirements for a license to operate as a small business investment company under section 301(c) shall apply to a participating investment company, except that a participating investment company shall, in the application to participate in the facility, indicate whether the participating investment company shall make investments in eligible small-business concerns through—

''(1) the issuance of debentures; or

''(2) the issuance of venture securities.

''(d) REQUIRED INVESTMENTS.—A participating investment company shall invest not less than 30 percent of funds received under the facility in—

''(1) covered investments; or

''(2) eligible small-business concerns.

''(e) MAXIMUM LEVERAGE FOR ISSUANCE OF DEBENTURES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the maximum amount of outstanding leverage made available to any participating investment company that issues debentures under this section shall not exceed the lesser of—

''(A) 150 percent of the private capital of the company; or

''(B) $175,000,000.

''(2) EXCEPTIONS.—The maximum amount of outstanding leverage made available to any participating investment company—

''(A) shall not exceed the lesser of 200 percent of the private capital of the company or $200,000,000, if—

''(i) the company invests not less than 45 percent of the funds in covered investments; or

''(ii) the company invests not less than 40 percent of the funds in eligible small-business concerns; and

''(B) shall not exceed the lesser of 200 percent of the private capital of the company or $400,000,000, if—

''(i) the company invests not less than 60 percent of the funds in eligible small-business concerns; and

''(ii) the amount appropriated to carry out this section for the fiscal year in which the investments are made is not less than $20,000,000,000.

''(f) ISSUANCE AND PURCHASE OF VENTURE SECURITIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administration may purchase venture securities issued by a participating investment company under the facility, which shall be in an amount—

''(A) except as provided in subparagraph (B), that does not exceed the lesser of—

''(i) 75 percent of the private capital of the company; or

''(ii) $75,000,000; or

''(B) that does not exceed the lesser of 100 percent of the private capital of the company or $100,000,000, if—

''(i) the company invests not less than 45 percent of the funds in covered investments; or

''(ii) the company invests not less than 40 percent of the funds in eligible small-business concerns.

''(2) FEES AND INTEREST.—In purchasing a venture security under paragraph (1), the Administration shall not assess any fee or interest on the value of the venture security.

''(3) DISTRIBUTIONS.—With respect to distributions related to the issuance of a venture security purchased by the Administration, the Administration shall be treated in the same manner as the most favored investor in the participating investment company.

''(g) REGULATIONS.—The Administration shall issue such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this section.

''(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Administration $10,000,000,000, to remain available until expended, to carry out this section.''.

(3) REPEAL OF PARTICIPATING SECURITIES.—

(A) REPEAL.—Section 303(g) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 683(g)) is repealed.

(B) EFFECT ON EXISTING PURCHASES.—The repeal under subparagraph (A) shall not be construed to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to cancel, revoke, withdraw, or otherwise affect any purchase of participating securities under section 303(g) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 638(g)) before the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 1908. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. REINSTATING SPECIALIZED SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES.

Section 301 of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 681) is amended by inserting after subsection (c) the following:

''(d) SPECIALIZED SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, a small business investment company, the investment policy of which is that its investments will be made solely in small business concerns located in an area described in paragraph (2) may be—

''(A) organized and chartered under State business or nonprofit corporation statutes, or formed as a limited partnership; and

''(B) licensed by the Administration to operate under the provisions of this Act.

''(2) AREAS.—The areas described in this paragraph are—

''(A) a community that has been designated as a qualified opportunity zone under section 1400Z–1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

''(B) a HUBZone, as defined in section 31(b) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657a(b)); and

''(C) any census tract or other area that is treated as a low-income community for purposes of section 45D of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.''.

SA 1909. Mr. BROWN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division F, insert the following:

TITLE ___—STEM RESEARCH GAINS

SEC. ___01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Strengthening the STEM Research Workforce to Generate American Infrastructure for National

Security Act of 2021'' or the ''STEM Research GAINS Act of 2021''.

SEC. ___02. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) COVERED FIELD.—The term ''covered field'' means a field in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics research or development that is determined to be—

(A) a subject area relating to the national security of the United States;

(B) a subject area relating to the United States' ability to compete in an open, fair, and competitive international market and achieve economic growth; or

(C) a subject area that is in need of expanded and strengthened academic pipelines to ensure a diverse workforce.

(2) DIRECTOR.—The term ''Director'' means the Director of the National Science Foundation.

(3) FEDERAL SCIENCE AGENCY.—The term ''Federal science agency'' has the meaning given the term in section 103(f) of the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 6623(f)).

(4) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term ''institution of higher education'' means an institution of higher education described in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

(5) MINORITY.—The term ''minority'' means American Indian, Alaska Native, Black (not of Hispanic origin), Hispanic (including persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, and Central or South American origin), Asian (including underrepresented subgroups), Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander origin subgroup, or other ethnic group underrepresented in science and engineering.

(6) MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term ''minority-serving institution'' means—

(A) a part B institution (as defined in section 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1061));

(B) a Hispanic-serving institution (as defined in section 502 of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1101a));

(C) a Tribal College or University (as defined in section 316 of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059c));

(D) an Alaska Native-serving institution (as defined in section 317(b) of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)));

(E) a Native Hawaiian-serving institution (as defined in section 317(b) of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)));

(F) a Predominantly Black Institution (as defined in section 318 of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059e));

(G) an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-serving institution (as defined in section 320(b) of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059g(b))); or

(H) a Native American-serving, nontribal institution (as defined in section 319 of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059f)).

(7) STEM.—The term ''STEM'' means science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, including computer science.

(8) UNDERREPRESENTED FIELD.—The term ''underrepresented field'' means a field in STEM in which the national rate of representation of women among tenured, tenure-track faculty, or nonfaculty researchers at doctorate-granting institutions of higher education is less than 25 percent, according to the most recent data available from the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics.

(9) UNDERREPRESENTED IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING.—The term ''underrepresented in science and engineering'' means a minority group whose number of scientists and engineers, per 10,000 population of that group, is substantially below the comparable figure for scientists and engineers who are white and not of Hispanic origin, as determined by the Secretary of Education under section 637.4(b) of title 34, Code of Federal Regulations, or similar successor regulations.

Subtitle A—Expanding Pipeline Programs to Research Opportunities

SEC. ___11. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AREAS CRITICAL TO NATIONAL SECURITY.

(a) COVERED FIELDS.—The Industries of the Future Coordination Council established under subsection (c) of section 9412 of division A of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) shall conduct a study to identify areas for research and development that are covered fields.

(b) REPORT.—The Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy shall include covered fields in the report on Federal research and development focused on industries of the future required under subsection (b) of such section 9412.

(c) UPDATE.—Not less than once every 5 years after the initial report is filed under subsection (b) of such section 9412, the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy shall, with advice from the Industries of the Future Coordination Council, prepare and submit to Congress a reassessment of the report under subsection (b), including the covered fields identified under subsection (a).

(d) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 9412(b) of division A of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) is amended by striking paragraph (6).

SEC. ___12. RONALD E. MCNAIR POSTBACCALAUREATE ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM.

Section 402E(g) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a–15(g)) is amended to read as follows:

''(g) FUNDING.—In addition to amounts made available to carry out this section under section 402A(g), there are authorized to be appropriated $100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2027 to carry out this section.''.

SEC. ___13. INCREASING INVESTMENT IN UNDERGRADUATE SCIENCE PIPELINES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the National Science Foundation $750,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and for each of the following 4 years, which shall be used, in amounts determined by the Director, for the following programs:

(1) The Advanced Technological Education Program.

(2) The CyberCorps Scholarship for Service Program.

(3) The Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program.

(4) Improving Undergraduate STEM Education (IUSE).

(5) The Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation program.

(6) The Research Experiences for Undergraduates program.

(7) The Tribal Colleges and Universities Program.

(8) The Improving Undergraduates STEM Education: Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program.

(b) SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.—The amounts authorized under subsection (a) shall supplement, and not supplant, any other amounts authorized for the National Science Foundation for the programs described in such subsection.

SEC. ___14. BOLSTERING STEM PIPELINES STRATEGIC PLAN.

(a) BROADENING PARTICIPATION STRATEGIC PLAN.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director shall submit to Congress a report containing its current strategic plan for the National Science Foundation to increase the capacity of STEM programs carried out by the National Science Foundation that are in effect as of the date of the report to increase the participation of individuals who are underrepresented in science and engineering, women who are underrepresented in STEM fields, and low-income and first-generation college students, in order to broaden participation in grants and programs carried out by the National Science Foundation. The report shall include—

(1) a description of how the grants and programs that are carried out by the National Science Foundation, as of the time of the report, are carried out in a manner that advances diverse pipelines in STEM fields, and a description of how the National Science Foundation can better advance such diverse pipelines;

(2) an analysis of the data collection that would allow for meaningful goal setting and transparency relating to the National Science Foundation's progress in broadening participation of individuals from groups that are underrepresented in science and engineering with respect to those grants and programs;

(3) an analysis of how the National Science Foundation can meet goals related to broadening the participation of individuals from groups that are underrepresented in science and engineering by—

(A) creating or expanding funding opportunities;

(B) modifying existing research and development programs; and

(C) establishing coordination between existing programs carried out by the National Science Foundation;

(4) a description of the ways that the National Science Foundation works with minority-serving institutions to—

(A) enable those eligible institutions to compete effectively for grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements carried out by the National Science Foundation;

(B) encourage those eligible institutions to participate in programs carried out by the National Science Foundation and other Federal science agencies; and

(C) encourage students and faculty at the eligible institution to apply for and successfully earn graduate and professional opportunities from programs supported by the National Science Foundation;

(5) an analysis of the best ways to share best practices for institutions of higher education and Federal science agencies interested in supporting individuals from groups that are underrepresented in science and engineering; and

(6) an analysis of how the National Science Foundation can work with other Federal science agencies to advance goals related to broadening the participation of individuals from groups that are underrepresented in science and engineering.

(b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, and every 5 years thereafter, the Director shall report to Congress on the implementation by Federal science agencies of the policy guidelines developed under this section.

SEC. ___15. RESEARCH PROGRAM CLEARINGHOUSE AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER.

(a) OPPORTUNITIES CLEARINGHOUSE.—The Federal Coordination in STEM Education Task Force of the Committee on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math Education of the National Science and Technology Council shall establish and maintain a public clearinghouse (including by maintaining a publicly available website) of all research programs sponsored by Federal

science agencies that are available to individuals as undergraduate and graduate students.

(b) BEST PRACTICES CLEARINGHOUSE.—The Director shall establish and maintain a clearinghouse that will collect, analyze, identify, disseminate, and make publicly available information about best practices for institutions of higher education to strengthen, at the undergraduate level, the pipeline of individuals pursuing careers in covered fields.

(c) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Director shall establish and maintain a robust technical assistance center through the National Science Foundation that shall work with institutions of higher education seeking to implement strategies to—

(1) bolster and diversify the student body at the institution that pursue STEM fields; and

(2) support students underrepresented in science and engineering who are pursuing research-based STEM studies to help those students continue and complete those studies.

(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated—

(1) to carry out subsection (a) $1,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and for each of the 4 succeeding fiscal years; and

(2) to carry out subsections (b) and (c), $1,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and for each of the 4 succeeding fiscal years.

Subtitle B—Increasing Funding for Graduate Education

SEC. ____21. FELLOWSHIPS FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS IN COVERED FIELDS.

(a) GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS AND NATIONAL SECURITY STEM FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM ESTABLISHED.—The Director shall establish a graduate fellowship program through which the Director shall award funds to certain eligible students who have an approved application in accordance with subsection (b) (referred to in this section as ''fellowship participants'').

(b) APPLICATION; ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.—

(1) APPLICATION.—The Director shall establish and make publicly available an application for eligible students who desire to receive funds under this section.

(2) ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.—A student may submit an application to the National Science Foundation to receive funds under this section if the student—

(A) is a United States citizen, an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence (as the terms are defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)), or an alien who has been granted deferred action pursuant to the memorandum of the Department of Homeland Security entitled ''Exercising Prosecutorial Discretion with Respect to Individuals Who Came to the United States as Children'' issued on June 15, 2012; and

(B)(i) is in the final year of undergraduate education at an institution of higher education and is pursuing a research-based master's or doctorate degree at an institution of higher education that offers graduate degrees in a covered field; or

(ii) is enrolled in a research-based master's or doctorate degree program at an institution of higher education in a covered field and has completed less than 12 months of that program.

(3) APPLICATION REVIEW.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall establish a process for reviewing applications received under this section and determining which applications will be approved. As part of such process the Director shall establish an interdisciplinary panel of scientists, engineers, or other relevant professional graduate education experts, who shall review the merit of the applications submitted and consider the broadening participation criteria described in subparagraph (B).

(B) BROADENING PARTICIPATION.—In determining which applications are approved under this section, the Director shall ensure that consideration is given to applicants who would broaden participation in the program, including first-generation college students, low-income individuals, minority students, individuals underrepresented in science or engineering, individuals eligible for or receiving a Pell Grant, women pursuing studies in underrepresented fields, or individuals who attend or attended a minority-serving institution for the individual's undergraduate degree.

(c) FUNDING FOR FELLOWSHIP PARTICIPANTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall pay an annual stipend and additional expenses for each eligible student whose application is approved under subsection (b) in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) AMOUNT.—The Director shall pay for each eligible student with an approved application under this section, for a total of 3 years—

(A) $50,000 each year for living expenses, which shall be paid to the institution and disbursed annually as an aid stipend to the student;

(B) a tuition and fees allowance, which shall be $15,000 per year and which shall be paid directly to the institution that student is attending for the student's tuition and fees; and

(C) a $2,000 professional development allowance, which shall be distributed to an eligible student by the Director, upon application, to reimburse the student for professional development expenses.

(3) ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION.—The amounts described in paragraph (2) shall be the amounts for fiscal year 2021 and shall be adjusted annually for inflation.

(4) EXEMPTION FROM TUITION AND FEES; TAX DISCLOSURE.—An institution of higher education that enrolls a student who will participate in the fellowship under this section and that will receive funds described in subparagraph (A) and (B) of paragraph (2) on behalf of such student—

(A) shall agree to exempt such student from paying tuition and fees that are greater than the tuition and fees allowance under paragraph (2)(B) that are normally charged to students of similar academic standing, unless such charges are optional or are refundable; and

(B) shall provide that student with information about how funds received through the fellowship will be treated for Federal tax purposes.

(d) ANNUAL MEETING .—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall arrange an annual meeting for fellowship participants and representatives from relevant Federal agencies in order—

(A) to facilitate professional development and networking relating to covered fields; and

(B) to facilitate access to experiential training opportunities, which may include such training at national security facilities and federally funded research centers.

(2) ATTENDANCE REQUIRED.—Each fellowship participant shall be required to attend at least one annual meeting during the period covered by that recipient's award, and the professional development allowance under subsection (c)(2)(C) may be used to cover expense for attendance at that meeting.

(e) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) TERMINATION.—An individual's participation in the fellowship under this section and receipt of funds under this section shall be terminated at the earlier of—

(A) the last day of the third year for which the individual has received funding under this section; or

(B) the date of degree completion, unless that individual is continuing from a master's to a doctoral degree in a covered field and less than 3 years of funding had been distributed since the individual became a fellowship participant under this section.

(2) REQUEST TO CHANGE SCHOOLS OR PROGRAMS OR SUSPEND OR DEFER PARTICIPATION.—A fellowship participant who wishes to change institutions or programs, or suspend or defer fellowship participation, shall submit a request to the Director and must receive approval from the Director.

(3) NO CONCURRENT AWARDS.—An individual shall not be eligible to accept another Federal graduate fellowship concurrently with fellowship participation under this section.

(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, $500,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and for each of the 4 succeeding fiscal years.

SEC. ____22. NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Director of the National Science Foundation, in addition to any other amounts appropriated, $250,000,000 for the Graduate Research Fellowship Program in each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026.

SEC. ____23. NATIONAL EMERGING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRAINING PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director, in partnership with the Secretary of Defense and in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, shall establish a National Emerging Science and Technology Training Program to award grants to institutions of higher education to enable those institutions to establish training programs to educate cohorts of students in covered fields.

(b) APPLICATION.—An institution of higher education desiring to receive a grant under this section shall submit an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Director may reasonably require.

(c) AWARDS.—

(1) AWARD TOTALS.—Each grant award under this section shall be in an amount not to exceed $5,000,000.

(2) NUMBER OF AWARDS AND DISTRIBUTION.—

(A) NUMBER OF AWARDS.—A minimum of 45 institutional awards shall be granted.

(B) DISTRIBUTION.—The Director shall—

(i) encourage institutions of higher education that are minority-serving institutions to apply for grants under this section; and

(ii) consider broader impacts when awarding grants under this section.

(3) DURATION.—The duration of awards made through the grant program shall not exceed 4 years.

(4) USE OF FUNDS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—An eligible institution shall use award funds, in accordance with subparagraph (B), for the purposes of—

(i) providing training programs in covered fields led by faculty;

(ii) paying funds for the cost of attendance (as described in section 472 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087ll)) for eligible students participating in training programs established by this section;

(iii) establishing scientific or technical internship programs for students participating in training programs established by this section; and

(iv) other costs associated with the administration of the training program.

(B) MINIMUM AMOUNT FOR TUITION AND OTHER COSTS.—An eligible institution shall use not less than 70 percent of grant funds

for expenses described in subparagraph (A)(ii).

(C) ELIGIBLE STUDENT.—In this section the term ''eligible student'' means a student who is—

(i) a United States citizens or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence (as the terms are defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)) or an alien who has been granted deferred action pursuant to the memorandum of the Department of Homeland Security entitled ''Exercising Prosecutorial Discretion with Respect to Individuals Who Came to the United States as Children'' issued on June 15, 2012; and

(ii) pursuing a masters or doctorate degree in a covered field identified under section ____11(c).

(d) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In making awards under this section, the Director and the Secretary shall consider—

(1) the relevance of the institution's proposed program to existing and anticipated strategic national needs as determined by the study under section ____11(a);

(2) the ability of the institution to effectively carry out the proposed program;

(3) the geographic location of an institution related to the Department of Defense's needs for developing specific workforce capacity and skills within a particular region of the country;

(4) the extent to which the institution's proposal would include students who are underrepresented in science and engineering, low-income students, women, minority students, and first-generation college students; and

(5) the integration of internship opportunities into the participant's program, including internships or cooperative education agreements with government laboratories, nonprofit research organizations, or for-profit commercial entities.

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, $250,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and for each of the 4 succeeding fiscal years.

SEC. ____24. STRENGTHENING TRANSPARENCY.

(a) ASSESSMENTS.—The Director shall conduct regular assessments of the programs established under this subtitle and other graduate research fellowship programs carried out by the National Science Foundation and provide additional publicly available information about those programs, including for each program—

(1) the number of applications received, disaggregated by undergraduate and graduate institution, race, gender, age, and eligibility for a Federal Pell Grant;

(2) the number of applications approved, disaggregated by undergraduate and graduate institution, race, gender, age, and eligibility for a Federal Pell Grant; and

(3) the internal partnerships between the National Science Foundation and institutions of higher education in order to develop a diverse science workforce.

(b) REPORTS.—The Director shall prepare and submit to Congress, and make publicly available, annual reports that show trends in how research fellowships and scholarships supported by the National Science Foundation are awarded to individuals from underrepresented groups, institutions of higher education, and entities from different geographic areas, in order to better show trends in the participation of underrepresented groups in such research fellowships and scholarships.

Subtitle C—Strengthening the National Security Research Workforce

SEC. ____31. NATIONAL SECURITY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.

(a) PROGRAM ESTABLISHED.—The Director, in partnership with the Secretary of Defense and in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, shall carry out a program, to be known as the ''National Security Research Fellowship Program'' that will bolster Federal Government research by finding placements in the Federal Government for selected eligible graduates.

(b) ELIGIBLE GRADUATES.—The term ''eligible graduate'' means an individual who—

(1) is a United States citizen, an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence (as the terms are defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)), or an alien who has been granted deferred action pursuant to the memorandum of the Department of Homeland Security entitled ''Exercising Prosecutorial Discretion with Respect to Individuals Who Came to the United States as Children'' issued on June 15, 2012; and

(2) graduated not more than 3 years prior to the date of the individual's application, with a master's or doctoral degree in a covered field.

(c) APPLICATION; SELECTION OF ELIGIBLE GRADUATES.—

(1) APPLICATION.—Eligible graduates who desire to participate in the National Security Research Fellowship Program shall submit an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Director may require, including information about the applicant's educational background, previous research experience, publications or presentations, letters of recommendation, or written research proposals.

(2) SELECTION.—The Director shall establish a process for the selection of eligible graduates who apply, which may include a review and scoring of applications by a panel of experts in broad discipline areas after an evaluation of the demonstrated ability of the individual as a student and potential for contributions as an independent scientist.

(d) NATIONAL SECURITY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.—Through the National Security Research Fellowship Program, the Director shall—

(1) select eligible graduates who apply for the program in accordance with subsection (c);

(2) facilitate placement in a 3-year postdoctoral research position in a covered field with a Federal agency for selected eligible graduates;

(3) provide those eligible graduates with an orientation process and a mentor;

(4) facilitate opportunities for participants who have completed the program to transfer to a permanent civil service position with the Federal Government in a covered field after completion of program; and

(5) ensure that eligible participants in the program receive the educational award described in section ____32.

(e) EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each individual who completes not less than 2 years of the 3-year National Security Research Fellowship Program described in this section shall be eligible to receive an educational award in accordance with this subsection.

(2) EDUCATIONAL AWARD.—Each individual described in paragraph (1) shall receive an educational award in an amount equal to the product of—

(A) the maximum amount of a Federal Pell Grant for the most recent year; multiplied by

(B) the number of years of participation in the fellowship program (whether 2 or 3 years, as the case may be).

(3) USE OF EDUCATIONAL AWARD.—The educational award under this section—

(A) may be used for attendance at an institution of higher education (as defined in section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)); or

(B) may be used to repay a Federal or private student loan of the individual.

(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, $750,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and for each of the 4 succeeding fiscal years.

SEC. ____32. EARLY CAREER FACULTY SUPPORTS.

(a) RISING FACULTY PROFESSIONAL ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT PROGRAM.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director shall establish a 5-year pilot mentorship program to be known as ''Rising Faculty Professional Advancement Program'' (referred to in this section as the ''program'') in order to increase the diversity of faculty in STEM fields.

(2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Rising Faculty Professional Advancement Program shall be—

(A) to increase the number of doctoral-level professionals from underrepresented groups in STEM fields who transition into faculty positions at institutions of higher education; and

(B) to improve mentorship and training for researchers who are navigating the transition in the research pipeline to becoming faculty, which is a time when a significant decrease in diversity often occurs.

(b) PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Eligible individuals who desire to participate in the program shall submit an application to the National Science Foundation at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Director may require, including—

(A) information about the eligible individual's selected mentor and the mentor's agreement to participate in the program;

(B) an assertion that the selected mentor is—

(i) a tenured faculty member at a research institution of higher education; or

(ii) a faculty equivalent at a National laboratory or Federal agency; and

(C) a description of the applicant's reasoning for selecting that mentor.

(2) ELIGIBILITY.—An individual shall be eligible to participate in the program if the individual is a doctoral degree holding researcher in a post-doctoral research position or early-career faculty (defined as a faculty researcher with a title of assistant professor or other non-tenured equivalent).

(3) PRIORITY.—In selecting applicants to participate in the program—

(A) priority shall be given to—

(i) applicants from groups who are underrepresented in science and engineering; or

(ii) applicants holding degrees from or faculty positions at minority-serving institutions; and

(B) additional consideration may be given to—

(i) applicants holding doctoral degrees from institutions of higher education in the bottom 90 percent of research and development expenditures, as ranked by the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics; and

(ii) applicants who are women and who hold positions from underrepresented fields.

(4) NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS.—The Foundation shall select a cohort of not less than 100 eligible individuals to be program participants (referred to in this section as ''Rising Faculty'') for each year of the pilot program.

(5) OUTREACH.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Foundation shall—

(A) conduct outreach to solicit potential applicants for Rising Faculty and mentor participants; and

(B) make publicly available information about the expectations of mentor involvement and best practices in finding a mentor.

(c) ACTIVITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director shall establish program activities including—

(A) training for Rising Faculty and mentors;

(B) a program curriculum; and

(C) benchmarks for mentor engagement.

(2) COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH.—The Foundation shall encourage program mentors to network and enter into collaboration on research projects with Rising Faculty and other mentors within the program.

(3) SURVEY.—Following the first year of program enrollment, and on an annual basis during the program, the Director shall—

(A) conduct a survey of Rising Faculty and mentors to determine best practices and outcomes achieved;

(B) collect information about the demographics of Rising Faculty and mentor participants; and

(C) conduct additional surveys or other analyses of Rising Faculty who completed the program to assess career progression for not more than 5 years following the completion of the program by Rising Faculty.

(d) MEETINGS.—

(1) BIANNUAL MEETINGS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Foundation shall hold biannual meetings for mentors, Rising Faculty, and individuals who have previously completed the program. The Foundation may award travel grants for Rising Faculty who lack discretionary travel funds to attend the biannual meeting.

(B) INTRODUCTORY MEETING.—The Foundation shall hold one meeting at the start of each cohort's program year which may include program introduction, mentor training, career training for Rising Faculty, and networking, with the goal of advancing early-career researchers along the academic faculty track, and any other activities the Foundation determines are appropriate for the career advancement of Rising Faculty.

(C) SECOND MEETING.—The Foundation shall hold a second meeting in the last quarter of the program year, which may include opportunities for networking, continued training, promotion of continued mentorship after program completion, solicited feedback from Rising Faculty, and any other activities the Foundation determines are appropriate for the career advancement of Rising Faculty.

(e) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director shall submit a report to Congress that includes a summary and analysis of the types and frequency of activities and policies developed and carried out under the pilot program.

(f) ASSESSMENT OF THE PILOT PROGRAM AND RECOMMENDATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after the conclusion of the pilot program, the Director shall provide a report to the appropriate committees of Congress with respect to the pilot program, which shall include—

(1) a description and evaluation of the status and effectiveness of the program, including a summary of survey data collected;

(2) an assessment of the success and utility of the pilot program in meeting the purposes of this section; and

(3) a recommendation about continuing the program on a pilot or permanent basis.

(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, $10,000,000 in each of fiscal years 2022 through 2026.

SEC. ___33. NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION FACULTY EARLY CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARDS.

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Director of the National Science Foundation, in addition to any other amounts appropriated, $400,000,000 for National Science Foundation Faculty Early Career Development Awards for fiscal years 2022 through 2026.

SA 1910. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. REPORT ON COUNTRY-OF-ORIGIN LABELING FOR BEEF, PORK, AND OTHER MEAT PRODUCTS.

Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the United States Trade Representative, in conjunction with the Secretary of Agriculture, shall submit to the Committee on Finance of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives a report on the ruling issued by the World Trade Organization in 2015 on country-of-origin labeling for beef, pork, and other meat products that includes—

(1) an assessment of the impact of the ruling on—

(A) consumer awareness regarding the origin of meat consumed in the United States;

(B) agricultural producers in the United States; and

(C) the security and resilience of the food supply in the United States; and

(2) if the assessment under paragraph (1) indicates that the ruling or other market factors in the United States, including consolidation of meat processors, changes in diet and preferences, or other factors, have had a negative impact on consumers in the United States, agricultural producers in the United States, or the overall security and resilience of the food supply in the United States, recommendations for such legislative or administrative action as the Trade Representative, in conjunction with the Secretary of Agriculture, considers appropriate—

(A) to better inform consumers in the United States;

(B) to support agricultural producers in the United States; and

(C) to improve the security and resilience of the food supply in the United States.

SA 1911. Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V of division B, add the following:

SEC. 2528. FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARD.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Consistent with the First Amendment to the Constitution for public institutions, and in compliance with stated institutional policies regarding freedom of speech for private institutions, and all applicable Federal laws, regulations, and policies, entities receiving awards under title I or title II of this division shall—

(1) protect free speech, viewpoint diversity, the free exchange of ideas, and academic freedom, including extramural speech of staff and students;

(2) protect religious liberty; and

(3) prohibit discrimination, consistent with titles IV and VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000c et seq; 2000d et seq.).

(b) ATTESTATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—An institution of higher education that submits an application for Federal funding under title I or II of this division, or an amendment made by title I or II of this division, shall provide to the Director, as part of such application—

(A) an intra-institutional attestation that the institution is in compliance with the requirements under subsection (a); and

(B) information on the actions taken by the institution to ensure such compliance.

(2) ANNUAL SUBMISSION.—An institution shall not be required to submit an attestation under paragraph (1) more than once per year.

(c) DIRECTOR REPORT.—The Director shall annually transmit to Congress and make public on the website of the Foundation the attestations submitted under subsection (b).

(d) OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this division, and every 2 years thereafter, the Office of Inspector General of the Foundation shall submit a report to Congress that contains a review of the efforts of the Foundation to ensure that all recipients of an award from the Foundation are aware of and in compliance with all Federal requirements for such an award, including the requirements under subsection (a).

SA 1912. Mrs. HYDE–SMITH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in subtitle B of title VI of division B, insert the following:

SEC. 26___. SUPPORT FOR STENNIS SPACE CENTER AS PRIMARY HYDROGEN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND TESTING CENTER FOR NASA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall fully leverage and use the unique hydrogen expertise, fuel farm, and testing platforms at the Stennis Space Center for testing any federally funded program or public-private partnership involving the use of hydrogen in space exploration, space technology, and aeronautics.

(b) MAINTENANCE OF EXPERTISE.—The Administrator shall maintain the Stennis Space Center's hydrogen expertise, fuel farm, and testing platforms so as to support ongoing activities associated with liquid oxygen-hydrogen rockets, including the Space Launch System, the Exploration Upper Stage for the Space Launch System, and any other Government and commercial vehicle that may benefit from testing at the Stennis Space Center.

(c) TESTING CAPABILITIES AND PLATFORMS.—The Administrator shall invest in future testing capabilities and platforms to support a range of hydrogen systems in—

(1) space systems (including in launch vehicles and spacecraft); and

(2) aeronautics research and development.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the Administrator shall submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives a report that—

(1) identifies all current and planned NASA-funded programs and public-private partnerships that involve the research, development, and testing of hydrogen space exploration, space technology, and aeronautics systems, including propulsion systems, hydrogen fuel tanks, transfer systems, and integrated systems and vehicles; and

(2) describes the manner in which each such program or partnership is currently, or may in the future, use the Stennis Space Center's hydrogen research and development and testing capabilities.

SA 1913. Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. LEE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 4411 and insert the following:

SEC. 4411. EXCEPTION FOR WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS AND SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS.

The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security, are exempt from the procurement, operation, and purchase restrictions under sections 4403, 4404, and 4405 to the extent the procurement, operation, or purchase is necessary for the purpose of supporting the full range of wildfire management operations or search and rescue operations.

SEC. 4412. SUNSET.

Sections 4403, 4404, and 4405 shall cease to have effect on the date that is 5 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SA 1914. Mr. BOOKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title II of division C, add the following:

Subtitle D—Preventing Future Pandemics

SEC. 3298. SHORT TITLE.

This subtitle may be cited as the ''Preventing Future Pandemics Act of 2021''.

SEC. 3299. WILDLIFE MARKET DEFINED.

In this subtitle:

(1) The term ''wildlife market''—

(A) means a commercial market—

(i) where live mammalian or avian wildlife, or live wildlife species listed pursuant to section 3299A(2), is held, slaughtered, or sold for human consumption as food or medicine, whether the animals originated in the wild or in a captive environment; and

(ii) that delivers a product in communities where alternative nutritional or protein sources are readily available; and

(B) does not include—

(i) markets in areas where no other practical alternative sources of protein or meat exists, such as wildlife markets in rural areas on which indigenous people and rural local communities rely to feed themselves and their families;

(ii) markets where the only live mammalian or avian wildlife held, slaughtered, or sold are species listed pursuant to section 3299A(1); and

(iii) processors of dead wild game.

(2) The term ''commercial trade in live wildlife''—

(A) means commercial trade in live mammalian or avian species, or any species listed pursuant to section 3299A(2), for human consumption; and

(B) does not include—

(i) fish;

(ii) invertebrates;

(iii) other reptiles;

(iv) other amphibians;

(v) mammalian or avian species listed pursuant to section 3299A(1); and

(vi) the meat of ruminant game species—

(I) traded in markets in countries with effective implementation and enforcement of scientifically based, nationally implemented policies and legislation for processing, transport, trade, marketing; and

(II) sold after being slaughtered and processed under sanitary conditions.

SEC. 3299A. DETERMINATION OF RISK OF ZOONOTIC SPILLOVER FOR CERTAIN WILDLIFE SPECIES.

The Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in coordination with the heads of other relevant departments and agencies, including the Department of Agriculture, the Department of the Interior, and the United States Agency for International Development, after public notice and comment, shall annually review, update as necessary, and publicly release the following:

(1) A list of mammal or bird species, if any, that the Director determines does not present any risk of contributing to spillover of zoonotic pathogens that are capable of causing pandemics.

(2) A list of reptile or amphibian species, if any, that the Director determines present any risk of contributing to spillover of zoonotic pathogens that are capable of causing pandemics.

SEC. 3299B. STUDY ON RISK OF WILDLIFE MARKETS ON THE EMERGENCE OF NOVEL VIRAL PATHOGENS.

(a) STUDY.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Secretary of Agriculture shall enter into an agreement with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to study the risk wildlife markets pose to human health through the emergence or reemergence of pathogens. The study shall evaluate—

(1) the impact of physical proximity to and the role of human use of terrestrial wildlife for food or medicine on the emergence or reemergence of pathogens, including novel pathogens;

(2) the conditions at live wildlife markets and within the associated supply chain that elevate risk factors leading to such emergence, reemergence, or transmission of pathogens; and

(3) the methods by which the United States might work with international partners to effectively promote diversified alternative sources of food and protein in communities that rely upon the human use of wildlife as food or medicine for subsistence, while ensuring that existing natural habitats are not unduly encroached upon or destroyed as part of this process.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the agreement under subsection (a), the Secretaries described in such subsection shall submit a report on the findings of the study described in such subsection to—

(1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 3299C. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that global institutions, including the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), and the World Health Organization (WHO), together with leading nongovernmental organizations, veterinary colleges, and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), should promote the paradigm of One Health—the integration of human health, animal health, agriculture, ecosystems, and the environment as an effective and integrated way to address the complexity of emerging disease threats, and should support improved community health, biodiversity conservation, forest conservation and management, sustainable agriculture, and safety of livestock production in developing countries, particularly in tropical landscapes where there is an elevated risk of zoonotic disease spill over.

SEC. 3299D. STATEMENT OF POLICY.

It is the policy of the United States to—

(1) support the availability of scalable and sustainable alternative sources of protein and nutrition for local communities, where appropriate, in order to minimize human reliance on the commercial trade in live wildlife and raw or unprocessed wildlife parts and derivatives for human consumption;

(2) support foreign governments to—

(A) prevent commercial trade in live wildlife and raw or unprocessed wildlife parts and derivatives for human consumption;

(B) transition from the sale of such wildlife for human consumption in markets and restaurants to alternate protein and nutritional sources; and

(C) establish and effectively manage protected and conserved areas, particularly in countries with tropical forest hotspots for emerging diseases, including indigenous and community-conserved areas;

(3) respect the rights and needs of indigenous people and local communities dependent on such wildlife for nutritional needs and food security; and

(4) facilitate international cooperation by working with international partners through intergovernmental, international, and nongovernmental organizations such as the United Nations to—

(A) lead a resolution at the United Nations Security Council or General Assembly and World Health Assembly outlining the danger to human and animal health from emerging zoonotic infectious diseases, with recommendations for implementing the closure of wildlife markets and prevention of the commercial trade in live wildlife for human consumption except where the consumption of wildlife is necessary for local food security or where such actions would significantly disrupt a readily available and irreplaceable food supply;

(B) raise awareness on the dangerous potential of wildlife markets as a source of zoonotic diseases and reduce demand for the consumption of wildlife through evidence-based behavior change programs, while ensuring that existing wildlife habitat is not encroached upon or destroyed as part of this process;

(C) encourage and support alternative forms of sustainable food production, farming, and shifts to sustainable sources of protein and nutrition instead of terrestrial wildlife where able and appropriate, and reduce consumer demand for terrestrial wildlife through enhanced local and national food systems, especially in areas where wildlife markets play a significant role in meeting subsistence needs while ensuring that existing wildlife habitat is not encroached upon or destroyed as part of this process; and

(D) strive to increase hygienic standards implemented in markets around the globe, especially those specializing in the sale of products intended for human consumption.

SEC. 3299E. PREVENTION OF FUTURE ZOONOTIC SPILLOVER EVENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, in consultation with the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the heads of other relevant departments and agencies, shall work with foreign governments, multilateral entities, intergovernmental organizations, international partners, private sector partners, and nongovernmental organizations to carry out the following activities:

(1) Close wildlife markets and prevent commercial trade in live wildlife and raw or unprocessed wildlife parts and derivatives for human consumption, placing a priority focus on tropical countries or countries with significant markets for live wildlife for human consumption and on the following wildlife trade activities:

(A) High volume commercial trade and associated markets.

(B) Trade in and across well connected urban centers.

(C) Trade for luxury consumption as food or medicine or where there is no dietary necessity by—

(i) working through existing treaties, conventions, and agreements to develop a new protocol or amend existing protocols or agreements;

(ii) expanding combating wildlife trafficking programs to support enforcement of the closure of such markets and new illegal markets in response to closures, and the prevention of such trade including—

(I) providing assistance to improve law enforcement;

(II) detecting and deterring the illegal import, transit, sale and export of wildlife;

(III) strengthening such programs to assist countries through legal reform;

(IV) improving information sharing and enhancing capabilities of participating foreign governments;

(V) supporting efforts to change behavior and reduce demand for such wildlife products; and

(VI) leveraging United States private sector technologies and expertise to scale and enhance enforcement responses to detect and prevent such trade;

(iii) leveraging strong United States bilateral relationships to support new and existing inter-Ministerial collaborations or Task Forces that can serve as regional One Health models; and

(iv) building local agricultural capacity by leveraging expertise from the United States Department of Agriculture and institutions of higher education with agricultural expertise.

(2) Prevent the degradation and fragmentation of forests and other intact ecosystems to minimize interactions between wildlife and human and livestock populations that could contribute to spillover events and zoonotic disease transmission, including by providing assistance or supporting policies to—

(A) conserve, protect, and restore the integrity of such ecosystems;

(B) support the rights and needs of Indigenous People and local communities and their ability to continue their effective stewardship of their traditional lands and territories;

(C) support the establishment and effective management of protected areas, prioritizing highly intact areas; and

(D) prevent activities that result in the destruction, degradation, fragmentation, or conversion of intact forests and other intact ecosystems and biodiversity strongholds, including by governments, private sector entities, and multilateral development financial institutions.

(3) Offer alternative livelihood and worker training programs and enterprise development to wildlife traders, wildlife breeders, and local communities whose members are engaged in the commercial trade in live wildlife for human consumption.

(4) Ensure that the rights of Indigenous Peoples and local communities are respected and their authority to exercise these rights is protected.

(5) Strengthen global capacity for prevention and detection of novel and existing zoonoses with pandemic potential.

(6) Support the development of One Health systems at the community level, particularly in emerging infectious disease hotspots, through a collaborative, multisectoral, and transdisciplinary approach that recognizes the interconnections between people, animals, plants, and their shared environment to achieve optimal health outcomes.

(b) ACTIVITIES.—

(1) GLOBAL COOPERATION.—The United States Government, working through the United Nations and its components, as well as international organization such as Interpol and the World Organisation for Animal Health, and in furtherance of the policies described in section 3299D, shall—

(A) collaboratively with other member states, issue declarations, statements, and communiques urging countries to close wildlife markets and prevent commercial trade in live wildlife and raw or unprocessed wildlife parts and derivatives for human consumption; and

(B) urge increased enforcement of existing laws to end wildlife trafficking.

(2) INTERNATIONAL COALITIONS.—The Secretary of State shall seek to build international coalitions focused on closing wildlife markets and preventing commercial trade in live wildlife for human consumption, with a focus on the following efforts:

(A) Providing assistance and advice to other governments in the adoption of legislation and regulations to close wildlife markets and associated trade.

(B) Creating economic and enforcement pressure for the immediate shut down of uncontrolled, unsanitary, or illicit wildlife markets and their supply chains to prevent their operation.

(C) Providing assistance and guidance to other governments on measures to prohibit the import, export, and domestic commercial trade in live wildlife for the purpose of human consumption.

(D) Engaging and receiving guidance from key stakeholders at the ministerial, local government, and civil society level in countries that will be impacted by this subtitle and where wildlife markets and associated wildlife trade is the predominant source of meat or protein, in order to mitigate the impact of any international efforts on food security, local customs, conservation methods, or cultural norms.

(3) AUTHORIZATION OF IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—

(A) FINDING AND REPORT REQUIRED.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall submit a report to the President if the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, finds that—

(I) a foreign country—

(aa) continues to license or enable commercial wildlife markets; or

(bb) does not enact regulations consistent with this subtitle to ultimately eliminate those markets; or

(II) nationals of a foreign country, based on credible evidence, are trafficking or otherwise moving commercial quantities of wildlife intended for human consumption.

(ii) MONITORING AND INVESTIGATIONS.—In administering this subparagraph, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, shall—

(I) periodically monitor the activities of foreign entities described in clause (i);

(II) promptly investigate any activity by foreign entities that, in the opinion of the Secretary, may be cause for reporting under clause (i); and

(III) promptly conclude, and reach a decision with respect to, any investigation commenced under subclause (II).

(iii) TRANSMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 15 days after submitting a report to the President under clause (i), Secretary of State shall transmit the report to Congress.

(B) PENALTIES.—After receiving a report under subparagraph (A)(i) with respect to a country, the President may impose such economic, diplomatic, or other penalties as the President considers appropriate with respect to that country or nationals of that country, including the following:

(i) PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION.—The President may direct the Secretary of the Treasury to prohibit the importation into the United States of any articles from the country for such period of time as the President determines appropriate and to the extent that such prohibition is permitted by the World Trade Organization (as defined in section 2(8) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3501(8))) or pursuant to the multilateral trade agreements (as defined in section 2(4) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3501(4))).

(ii) EXCLUSION FROM UNITED STATES.—

(I) IN GENERAL.—The President may direct the Secretary of State to deny a visa to, and the Secretary of Homeland Security to exclude from the United States, any national described in subparagraph (A)(i)(II).

(II) EXCEPTION TO COMPLY WITH INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS AND FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.—Subclause (I) shall not apply with respect to an individual if admitting or paroling the individual into the United States is necessary—

(aa) to permit the United States to comply with the Agreement regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations, signed at Lake Success June 26, 1947, and entered into force November 21, 1947, between the United Nations and the United States, or other applicable international obligations; or

(bb) to carry out or assist law enforcement activity in the United States.

(iii) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—The President may exercise all of the powers granted to the President under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) to the extent necessary to block and prohibit all transactions in property and interests in property of any national of the country, if such property and interests in property are in the United States, come within the United States, or are or come within the possession or control of a United States person.

(iv) PREVENTION OF ACCESS TO INTERNATIONAL PAYMENT CHANNELS.—The President may work with international partners to prevent access to the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications (commonly known as ''SWIFT'') network and other payment channels by any national of the country.

(C) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 60 days after receiving a report under subparagraph (A)(i) with respect to a country—

(i) the President shall notify Congress of any action taken by the President pursuant to the report; and

(ii) if the President decides not to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to prohibit the importation of terrestrial wildlife from the country, or directs the Secretary to prohibit the importation of less than all fish, wildlife, or related articles from the country, the President shall include in the notification required by clause (i) a statement of the reasons for that decision.

(D) PERIODIC REVIEW AND TERMINATION.—

(i) PERIODIC REVIEW.—After submitting a report to the President under subparagraph (A)(i) with respect to a country, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, shall periodically, but not less frequently than every 2 years, review the actions of the country and nationals of the country to determine if the reasons for the finding of the Secretary under that subparagraph still exist.

(ii) TERMINATION.—Upon making a determination under clause (i) that the reasons for a finding under subparagraph (A)(i) with respect to a country no longer exist, the Secretary of State shall publish in the Federal Register notice of the determination and a statement of the facts on which the determination is based.

(c) UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.—

(1) SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS FUNDING.—

(A) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addition to any other amounts provided for such purposes, there is authorized to be appropriated such sums as necessary for each fiscal year from 2021 through 2030 to the United States Agency for International Development to reduce demand for consumption of wildlife from wildlife markets and support shifts to diversified alternative and sustainably produced sources of food and protein in communities that rely upon the consumption of wildlife for food security while ensuring that existing wildlife habitat is not encroached upon or destroyed as part of this process, using a multisectorial approach and including support for demonstration programs.

(B) ACTIVITIES.—The Bureau for Economic Growth, Education, and Environment, the Bureau for Resilience and Food Security, and the Bureau for Global Health of the United States Agency for International Development shall, in partnership with United States institutions of higher education and nongovernmental organizations, co-develop approaches focused on safe, sustainable food systems that support and incentivize the replacement of terrestrial wildlife in diets while ensuring that existing wildlife habitat is not encroached upon or destroyed as part of this process.

(2) ADDRESSING THREATS AND CAUSES OF ZOONOTIC DISEASE OUTBREAKS.—The Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development shall increase activities in USAID programs related to biodiversity, combating wildlife trafficking, sustainable landscapes, global health, food security, and resilience in order to address the threats and causes of zoonotic disease outbreaks, including through—

(A) education;

(B) capacity building;

(C) strengthening human and wildlife health monitoring systems of pathogens of zoonotic origin to support early detection and reporting of novel and known pathogens for emergency of zoonotic disease, and strengthening cross-sectoral collaboration to align risk reduction approaches;

(D) improved domestic and wild animal disease monitoring and control at production and market levels;

(E) development of alternative livelihood opportunities where possible;

(F) preventing degradation and fragmentation of forests and other intact ecosystems, particularly in tropical countries, to prevent the creation of new pathways for zoonotic pathogen transmission that arise from interactions between wildlife, humans and livestock populations;

(G) minimizing interactions between domestic livestock and wild animals in markets and captive production;

(H) supporting shifts from wildlife markets to diversified, safe, affordable, and accessible alternative sources of protein and nutrition through enhanced local and national food systems while ensuring that existing wildlife habitat is not encroached upon or destroyed as part of this process;

(I) improving community health, forest management practices, and safety of livestock production in tropical landscapes, particularly in hotspots for zoonotic spillover and emerging infectious diseases;

(J) preventing degradation and fragmentation of forests and other intact ecosystems, particularly in tropical countries, to minimize interactions between wildlife, human and livestock populations that could contribute to spillover events and zoonotic disease transmission, including by providing assistance or supporting policies to—

(i) conserve, protect, and restore the integrity of such ecosystems; and

(ii) support the rights of Indigenous People and local communities and their ability to continue their effective stewardship of their intact traditional lands and territories; and

(K) other relevant activities described in section 3299D that are within the mandate of USAID.

(3) IMMEDIATE RELIEF FUNDING TO STABILIZE PROTECTED AREAS.—The Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development is authorized to administer immediate relief funding to stabilize protected areas and conservancies.

(d) STAFFING REQUIREMENTS.—The Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, in collaboration with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and other Federal entities as appropriate, is authorized to hire additional personnel—

(1) to undertake programs aimed at reducing the risks of endemic and emerging infectious diseases and exposure to antimicrobial resistant pathogens;

(2) to provide administrative support and resources to ensure effective and efficient coordination of funding opportunities and sharing of expertise from relevant USAID bureaus and programs, including emerging pandemic threats;

(3) to award funding to on-the-ground projects;

(4) to provide project oversight to ensure accountability and transparency in all phases of the award process; and

(5) to undertake additional activities under this subtitle.

(e) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until 2030, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, a report—

(i) describing—

(I) the actions taken pursuant to this subtitle, including through the application of findings and recommendations generated from the study required by section 3299B and the provision of United States technical assistance;

(II) the impact and effectiveness of international cooperation on shutting down wildlife markets;

(III) the impact and effectiveness of international cooperation on disrupting, deterring, and ultimately ending wildlife trafficking; and

(IV) the impact and effectiveness of international cooperation on preventing the import, export, and domestic commercial trade in live wildlife for the purpose of human use as food or medicine, while accounting for the differentiated needs of vulnerable populations who depend upon such wildlife as a predominant source of meat or protein; and

(ii) identifying—

(I) foreign countries that continue to enable the operation of wildlife markets as defined by this subtitle and the associated trade of wildlife products for human use as food or medicine that feeds such markets;

(II) foreign governments, networks, or individuals who aid and abet or otherwise facilitate illicit wildlife trafficking; and

(III) recommendations for incentivizing or enforcing compliance with laws and policies to close wildlife markets and end the associated commercial trade in live wildlife for human use as food or medicine, which may include visa restrictions and other diplomatic or economic tools.

(B) FORM.—The report required under this paragraph shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(2) UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development shall

submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report—

(A) describing the actions taken pursuant to this subtitle;

(B) describing the impact and effectiveness of key strategies for reducing demand for consumption of such wildlife and associated wildlife markets;

(C) summarizing additional personnel hired with funding authorized under this subtitle, including the number hired in each bureau; and

(D) describing partnerships developed with other institutions of higher learning and nongovernmental organizations.

SEC. 3299F. PROHIBITION OF IMPORT, EXPORT, AND SALE OF CERTAIN LIVE WILD ANIMALS FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.

(a) PROHIBITION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 3 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 43 the following new section:

"SEC. 44. PROHIBITION OF IMPORT, EXPORT, AND SALE OF CERTAIN LIVE WILD ANIMALS FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.

''(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

''(1) the phrase 'human consumption' shall include all consumption as food or medicine except consumption that is incidental to lawful hunting activity;

''(2) the term 'live wild animal' means a live wild mammal, bird, reptile, or amphibian, whether or not bred, hatched, or born in captivity with the exception of ruminants; and

''(3) the term 'wild' has the meaning given that term in section 42.

''(b) PROHIBITIONS.—It shall be unlawful for any person—

''(1) to import or export any live wild animal for human consumption as food or medicine;

''(2) to sell for human consumption as food or medicine a live wild animal, including through sale or purchase at a live animal market; or

''(3) to attempt to commit any act described in paragraph (1) or (2).

''(c) PENALTIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Any person who knowingly violates subsection (b) shall be fined not more than $100,000, imprisoned for not more than 5 years, or both.

''(2) MULTIPLE VIOLATIONS.—Each violation of subsection (b) shall constitute a separate offense.

''(3) VENUE.—A violation of subsection (b) may be prosecuted in the judicial district in which the violation first occurred and any judicial district in which the defendant sold the live wild animal.''.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 3 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 43 the following:

''44. Prohibition of import, export, and sale of certain live wild animals for human consumption.''.

(b) FUNDING.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section 44 of title 18, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), $35,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2030.

SEC. 3299G. LAW ENFORCEMENT ATTACHÉ DEPLOYMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning in fiscal year 2021, the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall require the Chief of Law Enforcement of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to hire, train, and deploy not fewer than 50 new United States Fish and Wildlife Service law enforcement attachés, and appropriate additional support staff, at one or more United States embassies, consulates, commands, or other facilities—

(1) in one or more countries designated as a focus country or a country of concern in the most recent report submitted under section 201 of the Eliminate, Neutralize, and Disrupt Wildlife Trafficking Act of 2016 (16 U.S.C. 7621); and

(2) in such additional countries or regions, as determined by the Secretary of Interior, that are known or suspected to be a source of illegal trade of species listed—

(A) as threatened species or endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); or

(B) under appendix I of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, done at Washington March 3, 1973 (27 UST 1087; TIAS 8249).

(b) FUNDING.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section $150,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2030.

SEC. 3299H. GLOBAL ZOONOTIC DISEASE TASK FORCE.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a task force to be known as the ''Global Zoonotic Disease Task Force''.

(b) DUTIES OF TASK FORCE.—The duties of the Task Force shall be to—

(1) ensure an integrated approach across the Federal Government and globally to the prevention of, early detection of, preparedness for, and response to zoonotic spillover and the outbreak and transmission of zoonotic diseases that may pose a threat to global health security;

(2) not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, develop and publish, on a publicly accessible website, a plan for global biosecurity and zoonotic disease prevention and response that leverages expertise in public health, consumer education and communication, behavior change, wildlife health, wildlife conservation, livestock veterinary health, sustainable forest management, community-based conservation, rural food security, and indigenous rights to coordinate zoonotic disease surveillance internationally, including support for One Health institutions around the world that can prevent and provide early detection of zoonotic outbreaks; and

(3) expand the scope of the implementation of the White House's Global Health Security Strategy to more robustly support the prevention of zoonotic spillover and respond to zoonotic disease investigations and outbreaks by establishing a 10-year strategy with specific Federal Government international goals, priorities, and timelines for action, including to—

(A) recommend policy actions and mechanisms in developing countries to reduce the risk of zoonotic spillover and zoonotic disease emergence and transmission, including in support of those activities described in section 3299E;

(B) identify new mandates, authorities, and incentives needed to strengthen the global zoonotic disease plan under paragraph (2);

(C) define and list priority areas as countries or regions determined to be of high risk for zoonotic disease emergence based on, but not limited to, factors that include wildlife biodiversity, livestock production, human population density, and active drivers of disease emergence such as land use change, including forest degradation and loss, intensification of livestock production and wildlife trade; and

(D) prioritize engagement in programs that target tropical countries and regions experiencing high rates of biodiversity loss, deforestation, forest degradation, and land conversion and countries with significant markets for live wildlife for human consumption.

(c) MEMBERSHIP.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The members of the task force established pursuant to subsection (a) shall be composed of representatives from each of the following agencies:

(A) One permanent Chairperson at the level of Deputy Assistant Secretary or above from the following agencies, to rotate every 2 years in an order to be determined by the Administrator:

(i) The Department of Agriculture or the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

(ii) The Department of Health and Human Services or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

(iii) The Department of the Interior or the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

(iv) The Department of State or the United States Agency for International Development.

(v) The National Security Council.

(B) At least 13 additional members, with at least 1 from each of the following agencies:

(i) The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

(ii) The Department of Agriculture.

(iii) The Department of Defense.

(iv) The Department of State.

(v) The Environmental Protection Agency.

(vi) The National Science Foundation.

(vii) The National Institutes of Health.

(viii) The National Institute of Standards and Technology.

(ix) The Office of Science and Technology Policy.

(x) The United States Agency for International Development.

(xi) The United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

(xii) Department of Homeland Security, FEMA.

(xiii) United States Customs and Border Protection.

(2) TIMING OF APPOINTMENTS.—Appointments to the Task Force shall be made not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(3) TERMS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Each member shall be appointed for a term of 2 years.

(B) VACANCIES.—Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of that term. A member may serve after the expiration of that term until a successor has been appointed.

(d) MEETING.—

(1) INITIAL MEETING.—The Task Force shall hold its initial meeting not later than 45 days after the final appointment of all members under subsection (c)(2).

(2) MEETINGS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Task Force shall meet at the call of the Chairperson.

(B) QUORUM.—Eight members of the Task Force shall constitute a quorum, but a lesser number may hold hearings.

(e) COMPENSATION.—

(1) PROHIBITION OF COMPENSATION.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), members of the Task Force may not receive additional pay, allowances, or benefits by reason of their service on the Task Force.

(2) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—Each member shall receive travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in accordance with applicable provisions under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code.

(f) REPORTS.—

(1) REPORT TO TASK FORCE.—Not later than 6 months after the enactment of this act and annually thereafter, the Federal agencies listed in subsection (c), shall submit a report to the Task Force containing a detailed statement with respect to the results of any

programming within their agencies that addresses the goals of zoonotic spillover and disease prevention.

(2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter, the Task Force shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees and the National Security Advisor a report containing a detailed statement of the recommendations of the Council pursuant to subsection (b).

(g) FACA.—Section 14(a)(2)(B) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act shall not apply to the Task Force. This task force shall be authorized for 7 years after the enactment of this Act, and up to an additional 2 years at the discretion of the Task Force Chair.

SEC. 3299I. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS.

Nothing in this subtitle shall restrict or otherwise prohibit—

(1) legal and regulated hunting, fishing, or trapping activities for sport or recreation; or

(2) the lawful domestic and international transport of legally harvested fish or wildlife trophies.

SA 1915. Mr. HICKENLOOPER (for himself and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. MICROCAP SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANY DESIGNATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title III of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 681 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 301(c) (15 U.S.C. 681(c)), by adding at the end the following:

''(5) MICROCAP SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANY LICENSE.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Administrator may approve an application and issue not more than 10 licenses annually under this subsection with respect to any applicant—

''(i) that would otherwise be issued a license under this subsection, except that the management of the applicant does not satisfy the qualification requirements under paragraph (3)(A)(ii) to the extent that such requirements relate to investment experience and track record, including any such requirements further set forth in section 107.305 of title 13, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation;

''(ii) for which the fund managers have—

''(I) a documented record of successful business experience;

''(II) a record of business management success; or

''(III) knowledge in the particular industry or business in which the investment strategy is being pursued; and

''(iii) that, in addition to any other requirement applicable to the applicant under this title or the rules issued to carry out this title (including section 121.301(c)(2) of title 13, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation), will make not less than 25 percent of its investments in—

''(I) low-income communities, as that term is defined in section 45D(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

''(II) a community that has been designated as a qualified opportunity zone under section 1400Z–1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

''(III) businesses primarily engaged in research and development;

''(IV) manufacturers;

''(V) businesses primarily owned or controlled by individuals in underserved communities before receiving capital from the applicant; and

''(VI) rural areas, as that term is defined by the Bureau of the Census.

''(B) PRIORITY; STREAMLINED PROCESS.—With respect to an application for a license pursuant to this paragraph, the Administrator shall—

''(i) give priority to an applicant for such a license that is located in an underlicensed State; and

''(ii) establish a streamlined process for applicants submitting such an application.

''(C) TIMING FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSE.—Notwithstanding paragraph (2), with respect to an application for a license submitted to the Administrator pursuant to this paragraph, the Administrator shall—

''(i) not later than 60 days after the date on which the application is submitted to the Administrator, process and provide complete feedback with respect to any pre-license application requirements applicable to the applicant;

''(ii) not restrict the submission of any application materials; and

''(iii) not later than 90 days after the date on which the application is submitted to the Administrator—

''(I) approve the application and issue a license for such operation to the applicant, if the requirements for the license are satisfied; or

''(II) based upon facts in the record—

''(aa) disapprove the application; and

''(bb) provide the applicant with—

''(AA) a clear, written explanation of the reason for the disapproval; and

''(BB) a chance to remedy any issues with the application and immediately reapply, with technical assistance provided as needed and a new determination made by the Administrator not later than 30 days after the date on which the applicant re-submits the application.

''(D) LEVERAGE.—A company licensed pursuant to this paragraph shall—

''(i) not be eligible to receive leverage in an amount that is more than $25,000,000; and

''(ii) access leverage in an amount that is not more than 100 percent of the private capital of the applicant.

''(E) INVESTMENT COMMITTEE.—

''(i) IN GENERAL.—Each company licensed pursuant to this paragraph shall have not fewer than 2 independent members on the investment committee of the company in a manner that complies with the following requirements:

''(I) The independent members of the investment committee are or have been licensed managers of small business investment companies within the preceding 10-year period.

''(II) No small business investment company described in subclause (I) may adversely affected by the relationship of the independent members of the investment committee with the company licensed pursuant to this paragraph.

''(III) The independent members of the investment committee are required to approve each investment made by the company.

''(IV) The independent members of the investment committee shall not be paid a management fee, but may receive paid expenses and a portion of any carried interest.

''(ii) LEVERAGE LIMITS.—Any leverage associated with a company licensed pursuant to this paragraph shall not be counted toward the leverage limits of the independent members of the investment committee of the company under this title.''; and

(2) in section 303(d) (15 U.S.C. 683(d)), by inserting ''(or, with respect to a company licensed under section 301(c)(5), 50 percent)'' after ''25 percent''.

(b) SBA REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

(A) the term ''Administrator'' means the Administrator of the Small Business Administration; and

(B) the term ''covered company'' means an entity that is licensed to operate as a small business investment company pursuant to paragraph (5) of section 301(c) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 681(c)), as added by subsection (a).

(2) RULES.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall issue rules to carry out this section and the amendments made by this section.

(3) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall publicly publish a report that details, for the year covered by the report—

(A) the number of covered companies licensed by the Administrator;

(B) the industries in which covered companies have invested;

(C) the geographic locations of covered companies; and

(D) the aggregate performance of covered companies.

SA 1916. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2501(c)(1) of division B, after subparagraph (K), add the following:

(L) An assessment of laboratory biosecurity and biosafety laws, regulations, policies, guidelines, practices, and standards in the United States, how such laws, regulations, policies, guidelines, practices, and standards compare to laboratory biosecurity and biosafety laws, regulations, policies, guidelines, practices, and standards in other countries, and how such differences influence the abilities of the sectors associated with key focus areas to compete.

SA 1917. Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 2402 of division B, add the following:

(k) REVIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING TECHNOLOGY AT THE CENTERS FOR INNOVATION IN ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURING AND THE MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURING FACILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology, shall seek to enter into an agreement with the National Institute for Innovation in Manufacturing Biopharmaceuticals (NIIMBL) to perform the services covered by this subsection.

(2) REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS.—Under an agreement between the Secretary and the National Institute for Innovation in Manufacturing Biopharmaceuticals, the National Institute for Innovation in Manufacturing Biopharmaceuticals shall, in collaboration with the Director of the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Defense—

(A) review technology at the Centers for Innovation in Advanced Development and Manufacturing of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Medical Countermeasures Advanced Development and Manufacturing facility of the Department of Defense;

(B) develop recommendations for means to implement innovative approaches to advance United States domestic biopharmaceutical manufacturing capabilities and to ensure that the Centers for Innovation in Advanced Development and Manufacturing and the Medical Countermeasures Advanced Development and Manufacturing facility have state-of-the-art capabilities aligned with those available to the private sector; and

(C) identify other opportunities and priorities to improve the United States public health and medical preparedness and response capabilities and domestic biopharmaceutical manufacturing capabilities.

SA 1918. Mr. SULLIVAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title II of division E, add the following:

SEC. 5214. DISCLOSURES REQUIRED BY UNITED STATES ENTITIES INVESTING IN THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY OR THE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury shall require any United States entity that makes an investment described subsection (b) to disclose the purpose and amount of such investments to the Director on an annual basis.

(b) INVESTMENTS DESCRIBED.—An investment described in this subsection is a monetary investment, in an amount that exceeds an amount determined by the Director, directly or indirectly—

(1) to—

(A) the Chinese Communist Party;

(B) an entity owned or controlled by the Chinese Communist Party; or

(C) the People's Liberation Army; or

(2) for the benefit of any key industrial sector championed by the Chinese Communist Party, including the following:

(A) Information technology.

(B) Artificial intelligence.

(C) The internet of things.

(D) Smart appliances.

(E) Robotics.

(F) Machine learning.

(G) Energy.

(H) Aerospace engineering.

(I) Ocean engineering.

(J) Railway equipment.

(K) Power equipment.

(L) New materials.

(M) Pharmaceuticals.

(N) Biomedicine.

(O) Medical devices.

(P) Agricultural machinery.

(c) CONSOLIDATED REPORT.—Not less frequently than annually, the Director shall compile the disclosures submitted under subsection (a) and submit that compilation and a summary of those disclosures to—

(1) the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Financial Services, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(d) REGULATIONS.—The Director shall prescribe such regulations as are necessary to carry out this section, which may include—

(1) requirements for documents and information to be submitted with disclosures required under subsection (a); and

(2) procedures for the determining the amount under subsection (b).

(e) UNITED STATES ENTITY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''United States entity'' means an entity organized under the laws of the United States or of any jurisdiction within the United States, including a foreign branch of such an entity.

SA 1919. Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. COTTON, and Ms. ERNST) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1502 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. PROHIBITION ON SUPPORT OF CERTAIN WAIVERS OF OBLIGATIONS UNDER AGREEMENT ON TRADE-RELATED ASPECTS OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The United States Trade Representative may not propose or vote to support at the Ministerial Conference or the General Council the granting of a waiver of obligations under the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights referred to in section 101(d)(15) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3511(d)) relating to copyrights, patents, industrial designs, or undisclosed data for COVID–19 vaccines.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms ''Ministerial Conference'' and ''General Council'' have the meanings given those terms in section 121 of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3531).

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I have 9 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing a nomination.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 10:15 a.m., to conduct a hearing on referral of nominations.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on referral of nominations.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing a nomination.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 1775 AND H.R. 3237

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I understand there are two bills at the

desk, and I ask for their first reading en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bills by title for the first time en bloc.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1775) to address gun violence, improve the availability of records to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, address mental illness in the criminal justice system, and end straw purchases and trafficking of illegal firearms, and for other purposes.

A bill (H.R. 3237) making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes.

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. I now ask for a second reading, and I object to my own request, all en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bills will receive their second reading on the next legislative day.

CELEBRATING THE 149TH ANNIVERSARY OF ARBOR DAY

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration and the Senate now proceed to S. Res. 194.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 194) celebrating the 149th anniversary of Arbor Day.

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

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. I know of no further debate on the measure.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there is no further debate, the question is on agreeing to the resolution.

The resolution (S. Res. 194) was agreed to.

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. I ask unanimous consent that the King amendment to the preamble at the desk be agreed to, that the preamble, as amended, be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the amendment to the preamble?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 1875) was agreed to as follows:

(Purpose: To amend the preamble)

In the preamble, strike the tenth whereas clause and insert ''Whereas sustainably grown wood can be used in a wide variety of resilient infrastructure and building applications—from traditional timber framing to high-tech mass timber—and as a natural, renewable, and biodegradable material, the significant use of wood building materials in buildings and bridges helps decrease global carbon emissions;''.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, as amended, was agreed to as follows:

S. RES. 194

Whereas Arbor Day was founded on April 10, 1872, to recognize the importance of planting trees;

Whereas Arbor Day is a time to recognize the importance of trees and an opportunity for communities to gather and plant for a greener future;

Whereas Arbor Day is observed in all 50 States and across the world;

Whereas participating in Arbor Day activities promotes civic participation and highlights the importance of planting and caring for trees and vegetation;

Whereas such activities provide an opportunity to convey to future generations the value of land and stewardship;

Whereas working forests have contributed to an increase in the number of trees planted in the United States and are sustainably managed, with less than 2 percent of working forests nationally harvested each year;

Whereas a key factor in preventing forest conversion and deforestation is keeping forests productive;

Whereas working forests are a critical part of a nature-based solution to climate change, and by providing a continuous cycle of growing, harvesting, and replanting, active forest management maximizes the ability to sequester and store carbon and improves forest resilience;

Whereas private forests play an important role in conserving at-risk and declining species, and collaborative conservation efforts can benefit species while also helping to keep forests as forests;

Whereas sustainably grown wood can be used in a wide variety of resilient infrastructure and building applications—from traditional timber framing to high-tech mass timber—and as a natural, renewable, and biodegradable material, the significant use of wood building materials in buildings and bridges helps decrease global carbon emissions;

Whereas the Arbor Day Foundation and the Tree City USA program have been committed to greening cities and towns across the country since 1976, and in that time, more than 3,400 communities have made the commitment to becoming a Tree City USA;

Whereas Tree City USA communities are home to more than 143,000,000 people in the United States who are dedicated to core standards of sound urban forestry management and who dedicate resources and time to urban forestry initiatives, which helps make their communities and our country a better place to live;

Whereas National Arbor Day is observed on the last Friday of April each year; and

Whereas April 30, 2021, marks the 149th anniversary of Arbor Day: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes April 30, 2021, as ''National Arbor Day'';

(2) celebrates the 149th anniversary of Arbor Day;

(3) supports the goals and ideals of National Arbor Day; and

(4) encourages the people of the United States to participate in National Arbor Day activities.

KIDS TO PARKS DAY

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 228, submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 228) designating May 15, 2021, as ''Kids to Parks Day''.

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

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

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, that the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 228) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

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

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

S. 1260

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, in my lifetime, China has gone from a poor and isolated country to now accounting for nearly 20 percent of global gross domestic product. There is no doubt that the ingenuity of the Chinese people has contributed to this success, but we know the driving force behind this dramatic rise is the aggressiveness of the Chinese Communist Party. Its aims can be summed up with four R's: resist, reduce, replace, and reorder.

China resists American economic influence by manipulating American businesses and industries and stealing intellectual property. It reduces internal dissent and free expression of ideas through mass surveillance and censorship of its own people, and it seeks to exert its power and influence in the United States. The Chinese Communist Party intends to replace America as the world's technology leader through the Made in China 2025 initiative, which seeks to achieve Chinese dominance in high-tech manufacturing. Finally, it hopes to reorder international norms and institutions around itself. That is their vision. That is their strategy. That is their plan.

Now, the Chinese Communist Party's ruling strategy can best be described as ''win at all costs.'' In other words, they do not play by the same rules we do. And make no mistake, these ambitions paint an alarming picture for the United States and our allies.

Former Attorney General Bill Barr said last year: ''It is clear that the PRC,'' or People's Republic of China, ''seeks not merely to join the ranks of other advanced industrial economies, but to replace them altogether.''

In everything from electric cars to advanced robotics, to artificial intelligence, China aspires to lead global

production and to dominate global production, and they are throwing serious money into the effort to get China there. China is expected to spend $1.4 trillion by 2025 covering investments in everything from 5G to artificial intelligence.

This is not the time for the United States to be complacent, to sit back and watch the Chinese Communist Party pursue tech domination. By the time it has made significant progress, we would be too late. We need to take action now to ensure that our economy and our military can continue to outcompete China, and that is precisely what we can achieve through the Endless Frontier Act.

As Leader MCCONNELL said, a robust amendment process will be critical to this piece of legislation. As I was discussing with Senator SCHUMER this morning, for most Members, this 1,500-page substitute bill landed on their desks just a little bit earlier this week, so it is going to take a little time for us to understand and to digest the complexity and the ambitions, really, I should say, of this bill.

In the coming days, I hope the Senate will vote on amendments from Members on both sides that will strengthen this legislation and ensure that it addresses the broad range of strategic threats we are facing.

One of the most urgent priorities is to secure the supply chains of our most important products. We really learned that from the pandemic. When the COVID–19 virus hit, starting in China and then spreading around the world, we learned that China made most of the personal protective equipment in the world, and thus we were competing with China and other parts of the world to get access to the personal protective equipment that our first responders, our frontline healthcare workers, and others needed in order to be safe. That was one of the first signs that our supply chains may be vulnerable.

But before any piece of technology becomes usable for its audience, it includes parts and pieces and materials that literally come from around the world. This was the theory of globalization: Go wherever this product can be produced the least expensively. But we didn't count on pandemics. We didn't count on natural disasters. We didn't count on the potential for military conflict to jeopardize the availability of these essential products. Regardless of where a product is finally assembled and packaged, each of those individual pieces is key to protecting the supply chains of our most valuable assets.

Right now, supply chains for everything from cars and cell phones to missile defense, to communication systems are at risk because of one tiny piece of technology called a semiconductor or a microelectric chip. It goes by numerous names.

I have shown a floor chart previously, and I will probably bring it out again sometime here before we are through, but the fact is, the United States relies heavily on other countries for these essential advanced semiconductors.

Nearly 90 percent of those chips are made by companies in Southeast Asia, including Taiwan. As a matter of fact, Taiwan alone produces 63 percent of the world's advanced semiconductors, and we depend on that sole source for these most advanced microchips. One company, Taiwan Semiconductor, accounted for more than half of the total foundry revenues last year, and, as I said, companies in Taiwan control 63 percent of the market.

If for any reason that supply chain was cut off, it would lead to very, very serious economic and security consequences across our entire economy. In recent months, we have gotten a glimpse of what this might look like, particularly when it comes to our car manufacturing capacity.

At the beginning of the pandemic, automaker suppliers predicted a drop in car sales, and so they canceled their orders for semiconductor chips. Semiconductor manufacturers replaced the auto chip capacity with other in-demand products, like chips for personal computers that kept kids learning while they were at home or chips that went into ventilators to keep COVID–19 patients alive. But American consumers kept buying cars at prepandemic rates, and the carmakers needed to make up for the chips to meet that demand. Unfortunately, restoring the production of auto chips is not a quick or easy process. There is a long lead time, in fact, to manufacturing a single chip, which can take up to 6 months.

Although chipmakers are filling auto chip orders, we are still likely to face a shortage that may last throughout the summer. In response, some automakers have removed certain technology and extra features, like GPS, from vehicles in order to reduce the number of chips they need. Others have cut production across the board and laid off some of their workforce. But as bad as that may sound, it could be much, much worse.

The squeeze we are feeling now is more or less the result of a backlog, and we have every expectation that in a few months, things will return to normal. But what if, instead of a decrease in supply due to increased demand, the supply was cut off entirely? This is not some fictional doomsday scenario; it is a real possibility. Our dependence on other countries for these chips could leave us in a very vulnerable position if access were suddenly cut off or restricted.

Unlike the supply chain shortages we experienced at the start of the pandemic for things like PPE, hand sanitizer, and the like, there is no quick fix here. In order to build a single chip, you need very expensive and highly advanced equipment. You need the skilled workforce. And, as I said before, you need quite a bit of time because it can take months to build a single chip, and that is assuming you have the facility and all the equipment ready to go.

A couple of weeks ago, I met with executives in Dallas who represent a full range of businesses and industries impacted by the current chip shortage. An executive at Qorvo talked about how the process of building a new chip fabrication facility isn't just expensive; it is time-consuming. It can take years to receive all of the high-functioning equipment necessary to build advanced microchips. Building a foundry is a huge undertaking that requires a massive investment. A single foundry where these advanced semiconductors are built can cost upwards of $10 to $20 billion—$10 to $20 billion. Indeed, that is the reason why we are so reliant on Taiwan, because it is a low-cost provider. Again, we made the mistake of thinking that cost was the only thing that mattered, as opposed to dependability of our supply chain. So there is a clear need to bolster our domestic semiconductor manufacturing.

The United States is not the only country that sees the handwriting on the wall. Other parts of the world, from South Korea to China itself, to the European Union, are investing billions of dollars in new manufacturing capacity. Right now, as I speak, there is one semiconductor foundry being planned for Arizona by Taiwan Semiconductor. China is building 17 while we are just getting started to build 1.

As I said, the European Union is investing huge amounts of money, about $35 billion; South Korea is investing $65 billion; and China is investing a whopping $150 billion in semiconductor manufacturing. Other countries around the world recognize the risks to their economy and their national security given the current semiconductor manufacturing landscape.

Our competitors are pouring tens of billions of dollars into boosting their supplies, and the United States needs to do likewise, which is why Senator WARNER, the Senator from Virginia, and I introduced CHIPS for America Act last year. The premise of this legislation is straightforward: to create a Federal incentive program to encourage chip manufacturing here in the U.S. of A. Rather than rely on manufacturers in Taiwan or China or compete against other countries for the limited supply of chips worldwide, let's bolster the supply of American-made semiconductors. This way, we can secure our most critical supply chains, create thousands of well-paying American jobs, and boost our global competitiveness by supplying made-in-America chips to our friends and allies around the world.

We weren't alone in thinking this is a good idea. In fact, when we considered the authorization for this CHIPS for America Act in the Defense authorization bill last December, it passed with a vote of 96 to 4. So it is clear that the entire Senate understands the

gravity of this issue and its importance. That authorization became law in January, and now we have the job of fully funding these programs so they can actually get to work turning over dirt and getting these foundries off the ground.

The strong support for this legislation on a bipartisan basis shows that this is a priority for a majority of the Members of this body. There is no reason these funding programs shouldn't be bipartisan too.

We are already seeing divisions about provisions related to the payment of a prevailing wage, so-called Davis-Bacon provisions, which is, frankly, dividing us, which is a moot issue given the current wages of U.S. semiconductor manufacturing companies. It is a nonissue for them. Yet some of our Democratic colleagues decided to insert this divisive issue in this underlying Endless Frontier bill.

We should not allow unnecessary or purely political provisions to weaken our strong support to our consensus commitment to deal with these vulnerable supply chains. I am committed to securing funding to bolster our domestic semiconductor manufacturing, and there have been a lot of conversations about the most effective way to do so. But let me be clear. The Davis-Bacon provisions inserted into the committee markup in the Endless Frontier bill is jeopardizing this funding.

I hope our friends on the other side of the aisle will work with us in good faith to come up with a compromise that allows this funding to pass with broad bipartisan support, just like the CHIPS for America Act. There is a clear and present need and, I might say, a clear and present danger to the United States.

We need to bolster our domestic semiconductor manufacturing and secure one of our most vulnerable supply chains. As I said, this is a matter of both our economic and national security and something far too important to fall prey to partisan jockeying.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

SIGNING AUTHORITY

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the senior Senator from Nevada and the junior Senator from Virginia be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions from May 20, 2021, through May 24, 2021.

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

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 3 p.m., Monday, May 24; 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, and morning business be closed; further, that upon the conclusion of morning business, the Senate resume consideration of Calendar No. 58, S. 1260; that at 5:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of Executive Calendar No. 117, Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; finally, that the cloture motions filed during today's session of the Senate ripen at 5:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021, AT 3 P.M.

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, 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 4:40 p.m., adjourned until Monday, May 24, 2021, at 3 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

JENNIFER L. HOMENDY, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS, VICE ROBERT L. SUMWALT III.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. RANDY A. GEORGE

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

LETTER TO PRESIDENT BIDEN FROM THE AMERICAN HELLENIC INSTITUTE ON THE STATE OF U.S.-GREECE RELATIONS

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, as the founder and Co-Chair of the Congressional Caucus on Hellenic Issues, I include in the RECORD a letter from the American Hellenic Institute to President Biden regarding the Institute's present perspective on the state of the U .S.-Greece relations. The letter includes discussion of issues on defense, security, and counterterrorism; international commerce and trade and energy security; and the Cyprus Issue.

APRIL 22, 2021.

President JOSEPH R. BIDEN,
The White House,
Washington, DC.

DEAR PRESIDENT BIDEN: On behalf of the nationwide membership of the American Hellenic Institute (AHI), thank you for your remarks to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Greek Independence. Although many aspects of your remarks resonated with the Greek American community, the following excerpt struck a chord:

''What really binds us together are our values. We are two people rooted in a common conviction that every human being is entitled to be treated with dignity. And it is our shared commitment to liberty, human rights, and the rule of law, that empowers us to write our own futures, whether 200 years ago or today.''

Mr. President, the momentous occasion to mark Greece's Bicentennial provides the opportunity to convey the Institute's present perspective on the state of U.S.-Greece relations, which is flourishing under the ''shared commitment to liberty, human rights, and the rule of law'' that you correctly and eloquently stated. Unfortunately, malign actors in the region, especially Turkey, display a blatant and an intense disregard for these shared values with provocative actions that threaten the United States' allies and strategic partners as well as our interests in the Eastern Mediterranean.

It is in the United States' best interest for Southeastern Europe and the Eastern Mediterranean to be politically, economically and socially stable, and for democratic principles to flourish, including adherence to the rule of law. Greece is an immensely valuable link as ''a pillar of stability'' in the region as several high-level U.S. government officials have noted.

The U.S.-Greece relationship has reached new heights by virtue of an ongoing Strategic Dialogue, which include avenues for cooperation across sectors, such as: regional cooperation, defense and security, and trade and investment, among others, are plotted for implementation.

DEFENSE, SECURITY AND COUNTERTERRORISM

Greece advances U.S. interests as a pivotal and dependable NATO and a frontline state against terrorism. The Mutual Defense Cooperation Agreement between the United States and Greece illustrates the two allies' commitment to address longterm security challenges in the region. The Agreement currently is under revision. After it is upgraded, it will offer more flexibility to deepen cooperation in the defense sector, according to Greece's Minister of Defense Nikos Panagiotopoulos, with whom I held a public discussion last month. For its part, Greece further demonstrates its commitment to the Alliance as one of a minority of NATO members to meet NATO's minimum standard on defense expenditures; second only to the U.S., by percentage. To demonstrate further:

Souda Bay, Crete: in our view, the most important U.S. military facility in the Mediterranean Sea from where in the past joint USN/USAF reconnaissance missions and air refueling support for U.S. and NATO operations were implemented successfully and continues to be immensely important.

NATO Joint-Command HQ: Thessaloniki hosts a NATO Rapid Deployment Corps combined with its Third Army Corps for two years.

Operation Atlantic Resolve: Greece enables a substantial portion of the U.S. Army's 10th Combat Aviation Brigade to enter the European theater through the port of Thessaloniki and to depart through Alexandropoulis. Alexandroupolis is being recognized as a city with increased geostrategic importance, which can also contribute to economic development and energy security.

USAF temporarily operated MQ–9 Reaper Drones from Greece's Larisa Air Force Base.

The 101st Combat Aviation Brigade of the U.S. Army, from October–Nov 20, 2020 and from February–Mar 21, 2021, stationed and trained at Volos and Stefanovikeio.

It is evident Greece contributes significantly to U.S. interests. However, it becomes increasingly challenging for Greece to fulfill this important role when it constantly is expending valuable resources to defend itself against aggressive and provocative behavior emanating from a fellow NATO member, Turkey.

Turkey engaged in over 7,000 violations of Greece's territorial waters and airspace in 2020. There were 4,605 airspace and 3,215 maritime incidents.

Turkey's routine challenges to Greece's sovereignty must cease and desist. In fact, Greece's Chief of the Hellenic National Defense General Staff, General Konstantinos Floros, called out Turkey's provocative behavior, stating to an AHI audience on April 1, 2021 that Turkey threatens ''Greece's sovereign rights.'' In this context, Gen. Floros explicitly cited as example the maritime border Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Turkey and Libya. In addition, U.S. Ambassador to Greece Geoffrey Pyatt has called the MoU ''unhelpful'' and ''escalatory'' in nature in previous public statements. Ambassador Pyatt also affirmed the internationally recognized legal concept that ''inhabited islands as a matter of customary international law are entitled to the same treatment as continental territory.''

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE AND TRADE AND ENERGY SECURITY

Greece also is an important player in international commerce and trade, especially via its shipping industry. According to Greek shipping industry statistics, 22.5% and 20.3% of the Greek-owned fleet's activity is dedicated to the U.S. and the European trade, respectively; and ''Greek-owned ships represent almost 21% of the global tonnage.'''

AHI requests the Administration maintain high-level engagement with Greece on economic relations and encourages future U.S.-Greece economic relationships to pursue commercial partnerships and opportunities for more U.S. investment in Greece.

However, it is important to note that Turkey also threatens Greece's economic development. Turkey exploits its control over the flow of migrants to Europe, in essence, weaponizing them. Historically, Greece has carried the heavy burden of migrant flows to Europe, which has had a detrimental impact upon Greece's economy. Prime Minister Mitsotakis has been very clear to state that Turkey bears its responsibility due to Turkey's ability to control ''the flows in the Aegean.''

Moreover, Turkey's threat to energy security in the region is not in the best interests of the United States and stymies Greece's potential as an energy hub. Turkey has encroached upon Greece's continental shelf off the coast of the Greek island complex of Kastellorizo in the Eastern Mediterranean Sea. This island complex is sovereign Greek territory. It has a continental shelf as defined under the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea which is part of the Greek continental shelf. The island complex is also part of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) which is available to Greece. Ambassador Pyatt underscored upholding international law when he stated the U.S. position that islands have ''exactly the same'' continental shelf and exclusive economic zone rights as does any mainland territory. ''I have also made a point on many occasions . . . that the United States adheres to the principal of international maritime law that islands, including Kastellorizo, have exactly the same continental shelf and EEZ rights as does any mainland territory,'' Ambassador Pyatt stated to reporters on July 23, 2020.

Turkey also has exercised ''gunboat diplomacy'' in the Eastern Mediterranean. Turkish drillships have been in Cypriot waters, conducting activities illegally in violation of Cyprus' sovereignty and international law. AHI welcomes the United States' stated support for the Republic of Cyprus's right to develop its natural resources, including in its exclusive economic zone.

THE CYPRUS ISSUE

A key to peace and stability in the region is for good neighborly relations among NATO members and respect for the rule of law. However, Turkey's continuing occupation of Cyprus, which is a member of the European Union; its intransigence in solving the Cyprus problem, and its refusal to recognize the Republic of Cyprus, are detrimental to U.S. interests. To illustrate Turkey's intransigence, Turkey insists on maintaining troop levels in Cyprus and on remaining a guarantor power as part of a solution to the Cyprus issue, which led to the collapse of settlement talks in 2017.

Secretary of State Antony Blinken's response on the Cyprus issue during a March 10th, 2021 House Committee on Foreign Affairs hearing is welcomed: ''We strongly support a comprehensive settlement that reunifies Cyprus in a Bicommunal Federation. We

engage in the effort to advance that prospect, including the supportive role of the United Nations, and as well, direct American engagement in that effort. So I think you'll see American diplomacy fully engage.''

However, Mr. President, as a public servant who advocated for upholding the rule of law on Cyprus throughout your long career, I am reminded of your January 27, 1989 letter to then AHI Chairman Dean Lomis, where you stated: ''. . . we must urge the new Administration [President George H.W. Bush] to make Cyprus a higher policy priority in American foreign policy . . . we cannot lose sight of the fact that the rights of Greek Cypriots have been trampled upon, and we must ensure that their claims to ancestral land and property seized during the 1974 invasion are not compromised. Finally, we must send a signal to Turkey that until it has removed every last soldier from Cyprus, it will never be recognized as a full member of the international community.''

It is this same clear message to Turkey regarding Cyprus that the United States must send today because the conditions are the same, if not worse, as recent public discourse emanating from the Turkish government has called for a two-state solution.

Mr. President, the United States-Greece relationship is a strong and healthy one thanks in large part to the shared values identified in your Greek Independence Day celebratory remarks. Greece has proven to be a ''pillar of stability,'' a frontline state to combat terrorism, and a reliable NATO ally. AHI anticipates that bilateral relations, which are at a high point, will be taken to even greater heights during your Administration. By contrast, Turkey is the perpetrator of instability in the Eastern Mediterranean and broader region which is detrimental to U.S. security interests. Turkey is a failed NATO ally that cozies up to Russia and Iran and is a threat to U.S. allies and strategic partners. The U.S. must demonstrate strong, unequivocal support of Greece by continuing to strengthen relations across all sectors and by applying the rule of law to Turkey for its illegal actions.

Respectfully submitted,

Sincerely,

NICK LARIGAKIS,
President.

HONORING THE LIFE OF BISHOP NATHANIEL JAMES DAVIS, SR., TH.D.

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Bishop Nathaniel James Davis, Sr., Th.D. He was profoundly devoted to his faith and his family, and dedicated his life to serving his community.

Bishop Davis moved to Seattle in 1955, and quickly became a pillar in the Christian community. He joined the Bethel Christian Church of the Apostolic Faith shortly after moving, finding a home among other service- and family-minded members of the organization. He was deeply involved with the Bethel Christian Church, and has undoubtedly touched the lives of countless members of the Seattle community. After many years of selflessness and dedication, Bishop Davis became a Pastor at the Bethel Christian Church, a position he held for 37 years. His legacy and influence are felt by countless members of the Church, where he was a fixture for more than 65 years.

Bishop Davis' leadership and commitment to his faith extended beyond his work in Seattle. He was the founding Bishop of the Alaska District Council, serving as Diocesan of the 56th Episcopal District and presiding over the Council for 9 years. He was deeply dedicated to his family, and was married to Evangelist Dr. Addie Davis for 64 years. He leaves behind his wife, 13 children, 41 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren, who will undoubtedly carry on his legacy of service and leadership.

Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and honor that I recognize the life of Bishop Nathaniel James Davis, Sr. His life and dedication to serving his community should be an inspiration to us all.

RECOGNIZING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

HON. DEBBIE LESKO

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mrs. LESKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

On November 11, 2021, Veteran's Day, the United States will mark 100 years since the internment of an unidentifiable member of the American Expeditionary Forces of World War I at Arlington National Cemetery.

The place of interment has come to be known as the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and is regarded as America's most sacred shrine. It is dedicated to all veterans that have served and made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of our great nation.

My congressional district is home to over 70,000 veterans and their families; and on this day and every day, we honor ALL who served and continue to serve our country.

HONORING FIREFIGHTER CARL BLUBAUGH

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Firefighter Carl Blubaugh for his 55 years of service with the Meyersdale Volunteer Fire Department in Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

Firefighters' commitment and service to our community are invaluable. Volunteer firefighters often are called on to respond to emergencies of all types. From battling structure fires to conducting search and rescue operations, volunteer firefighters respond immediately whenever disaster strikes. These heroes often go above and beyond—they teach first aid, educate students about fire and other dangerous hazards, and even install car safety seats for children. Through their diverse and often-difficult work, volunteer firefighters provide lifesaving services and are a staple of our local community.

Firefighter Blubaugh has worked throughout his career to serve the people of Somerset County. On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I thank him for his work to protect life and property in our community and wish him continued health, safety, and success.

HONORING KAREN KENINGER, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY SERVICE FOR THE BLIND AND PRINT DISABLED, IN CELEBRATION OF HER RETIREMENT

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge a noteworthy occasion at the Library of Congress's National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled (NLS)—the retirement of Director Karen Keninger. Having dedicated nearly a decade of service under two Librarians of Congress, Karen's devotion to the NLS collection shows in the excellence she has brought to the program through both expansion of the collection and innovation of service.

The NLS is an institution committed to serving readers with disabilities with the mission of ensuring ''that all may read''. Offering free braille and talking book library services for people with temporary or permanent reading disabilities, the NLS has played an instrumental part in ensuring that the Library of Congress' collection can be enjoyed by all Americans.

As director of the NLS, over her nearly decade of leadership, Karen has doubled the collection of talking books and magazines while reducing production time for reading materials. She has opened up new worlds for all NLS patrons by ushering in the creation of mobile apps for downloading books and magazines in audio and braille, as well as advocating that the United States be a party to the Marrakesh Treaty, which provides for the exchange of accessible-format books across international borders. Her mission to ensure ''that all may read'' was all the more realized through her instrumental involvement in the launch of braille eReader device pilot programs to both increase the speed of getting materials to patrons and reduce storage and delivery requirements for materials for librarians.

Beyond the collection, Karen has played the lead role in the renovation of the NLS satellite office building and the adoption of a new, modernized name for NLS reflecting its service to not only blind Americans, but to the larger print disabled community. She ushered in a new era of NLS service and restructured the organization to better align with the mission of the Library to provide access for all the American people.

This year, the NLS celebrated its 90th Anniversary. It is due to dedicated servants of the American people, like Karen, that we owe our thanks for a successful and influential program that touches American lives every day.

IN HONOR OF INDIANA CIVIL RIGHTS ICON, HURLEY GOODALL

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. CARSON. Madam Speaker, today I rise in remembrance of Hurley Goodall, former Indiana State legislator, civil rights icon, and one of the founding members of the Indiana Democratic African American Caucus, who passed away on May 12, 2021.

Hurley was a lifelong resident of Indiana, who spent his life dedicated to community service and fighting for the rights of others. He was a graduate of Muncie Central High School before serving two years in the United States Army.

As Muncie's first African-American firefighter in 1958, Hurley began to forge a trail for young African-Americans. Hurley continued to serve his community, as the first African-American to be elected to the City of Muncie's school board in 1970. He then served seven terms in the Indiana General Assembly, where he helped to establish the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

Hurley believed in setting an example for young men and women, and helping them succeed. He established a scholarship program, with his wife, Fredine, to support up and coming leaders to continue their education at a local community college.

Hurley is survived by his son Fredrick; his nephew, Robert; as well as his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering Hurley Goodall and honor his remarkable achievements throughout his full life.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF RICHARD ROHRMAN

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Richard Rohrman on his retirement and thank him for his 26 years of dedicated service to New Community Corporation.

Mr. Rohrman has done tremendous work for Newark and my 10th Congressional District as CEO of one of our most important community development corporations. New Community Corporation was founded in Newark, New Jersey in 1968 during a time of great civil unrest throughout the community. At the time, it provided local services from housing to healthcare to banking to help it rebuild after the Newark Rebellion. The mission of the corporation is to ''help residents of inner cities improve the quality of their lives to reflect individual, God-given dignity and personal achievement.''

Mr. Rohrman has helped the corporation achieve its goals throughout his 26 years of working for the betterment of Newark residents. In his role as CEO, he has worked to provide $75 million in renovations to 1,100 housing units for my district's most vulnerable populations. He implemented a real estate development plan to create more housing and ownership opportunities for moderate income families. Also, he developed and expanded programs to improve the health and healthcare options for underserved communities.

He has many important achievements during his time at the organization. He was responsible for the maintenance and security of charter schools, day care centers, a health care complex, and corporate offices for New Community. He managed a portfolio of small businesses, including an upscale restaurant, sandwich shop, health spa, print and copy center, food court, and grocery delivery service. In addition, he supervised the final phases of renovation of St. Joseph Plaza, a historic, former church originally built in 1882 that now houses New Community's corporate headquarters. Finally, Mr. Rohrman led a company-wide energy cost reduction initiative that saved the company more than $300,000 annually and a beautification program that involved landscaping more than 40 acres of company-managed property.

Mr. Rohrman has been a strong advocate for the underprivileged and strong supporter of actions and initiatives to help our underserved communities. On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives and the citizens of New Jersey's 10th Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Mr. Rohrman on his retirement and thank him for his many years of dedicated and honorable service.

HONORING MR. JERRY COOPER ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

HON. BARRY LOUDERMILK

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. LOUDERMILK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my friend Jerry Cooper on the occasion of his retirement after twenty years of service as the County Manager in Cherokee County, Georgia.

Throughout his lengthy career in public service, Jerry has promoted fiscal responsibility, ethical leadership, and superior service. Under his leadership as County Manager, Cherokee County has seen tremendous growth, transforming from a distant exurb of Atlanta into a thriving community to live, work, and play. In 2008, his leadership was put to the test as the 'great recession' upended small communities, like Cherokee County, across the country. Jerry met the emerging challenges with an unwavering resolve, and Cherokee County improved upon its pre-recession debt rating to an S&P AA+ rating at a time when many other communities were still reeling from the crisis. He developed a professional code of ethics for public employees, enhanced local emergency services, and improved public facilities, all while maintaining an estimated $106 million in tax savings for Cherokee County taxpayers over the course of his career.

In addition to his role as County Manager, Jerry has served on the boards of the Malon D. Mimms Boys & Girls Club, Reinhardt University, the Rotary Club, and the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce. He served as President of the Cherokee Child Advocacy Council, the Cherokee Educational Foundation, and was awarded the Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Award from Allen Temple Church.

Prior to his career in public leadership, Jerry served in the United States Navy as a submariner aboard the U.S.S. *Sam Rayburn*. After traveling the world in service to our country, the Arkansas native returned home and obtained a Masters of Public Administration from the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Arkansas. Later he settled in Georgia, where he has spent much of his career life. He and his wife Sherry plan to enter this new phase of life, taking time to enjoy the community they have worked tirelessly to build over the past two decades.

On behalf of the 11th District of Georgia, and the United States House of Representatives, I earnestly congratulate Mr. Cooper on his retirement, and thank him for his years of public service.

HONORING FIREFIGHTER CARL SHUCK, SR.

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Firefighter Carl Shuck, Sr. for his 50 years of service with the Meyersdale Volunteer Fire Department in Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

Firefighters' commitment and service to our community are invaluable. Volunteer firefighters often are called on to respond to emergencies of all types. From battling structure fires to conducting search and rescue operations, volunteer firefighters respond immediately whenever disaster strikes. These heroes often go above and beyond—they teach first aid, educate students about fire and other dangerous hazards, and even install car safety seats for children. Through their diverse and often-difficult work, volunteer firefighters provide lifesaving services and are a staple of our local community.

Firefighter Shuck has worked throughout his career to serve the people of Somerset County. On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I thank him for his work to protect life and property in our community and wish him continued health, safety, and success.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF MS. JANE SÁNCHEZ, DEPUTY LIBRARIAN FOR LIBRARY COLLECTIONS AND SERVICES

HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the life and career of Jane Sánchez, Deputy Librarian for Library Collections and Services, and 25th Law Librarian of Congress.

Earlier this year, the Library of Congress mourned the loss of Ms. Sánchez who brought her wealth of knowledge and experience to government service in the Smithsonian Institution, U.S. Department of Justice, and U.S.

Government Publishing Office prior to joining the Library of Congress. She also was well loved for her time with Harvard University and the University of New Mexico, and received many awards in her career, including one from the U.S. Department of Energy for sustained superior service.

Her time at the Library of Congress began in 2014 as lead of the Humanities and Social Sciences division and not long after, she became the Deputy Librarian for Library Collections and Services, as well as the 25th Law Librarian of Congress. Her colleagues said that she "led the Law Library of Congress during times of profound change and challenges," and that she was a "visionary leader of the Law Library, whose profound contributions made the institution, and its links to the American people, stronger and more impactful." According to another colleague, "numerous digital projects, webinars, LibGuides, and of course the Legal Research Institute will serve as her legacy." Even the Librarian of Congress, Dr. Carla Hayden, stated that Jane was a "remarkable colleague."

The legacy of Ms. Sánchez's service to our Nation certainly reflects that. I wish to extend my greatest thanks to Ms. Sánchez for her decades of public service and express my deepest sympathies to her family and colleagues.

INTRODUCING HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CREATION OF WONDER BREAD IN INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. CARSON. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce a bill to honor the 100th anniversary of the creation of Wonder Bread at Taggert Baking Company in Indianapolis, Indiana. This bicameral and bipartisan resolution recognizes that this storied company, with deep Indiana roots and its iconic Wonder Bread product, made lasting impacts on American life and showcase the best of Hoosier values.

With hard work and a pull-yourself-up-by-the-bootstraps story, the Taggart Brothers' creation of Wonder Bread in Indianapolis jumpstarted an innovation in commercial baking that touched American lives from the Midwest heartlands to our nation's coasts. Americans from all walks of life know Wonder Bread, and just as many enjoyed childhood memories with this iconic product and lunchbox favorite.

Indianapolis has long been a haven for hard-working entrepreneurs with big ideas—from Madam CJ Walker to the current generation of visionaries. That Wonder Bread can tout Hoosier roots, is yet another example of our state's industrial and entrepreneurial spirit. I am honored to join many of my House colleagues who represent Indiana and Senator BRAUN, on the Senate side, in celebrating this legacy through our resolution commemorating and honoring the 100th Anniversary of the creation of Wonder Bread.

I urge all my colleagues to join me in supporting this resolution.

IN MEMORY OF MARY GREEN ROONEY

HON. MICHELLE STEEL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mrs. STEEL. Madam Speaker, on April 30, 2021, the people of Orange County, California lost a selfless member of their community and I have lost a dear friend with the passing of Mary Green Rooney of Newport Beach.

Throughout her life, Mary epitomized the virtues of service and compassion. From her time at the University of Southern California. to her work at Rutan & Tucker, to her contribution teaching Sunday school at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, she always lifted up those around her.

Mary will be deeply missed. She was a woman of great faith and sincere commitment to doing good for her community and the ones she loved so dearly. To her husband Peter, and her two sons Brett and J.B., who I know she was so very proud of, I extend my greatest sympathy in this time of deep sorrow. I will keep Mary and her family in my prayers in the days to come.

THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC PREVENTION AND BIOSECURITY ACT

HON. GRACE MENG

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Ms. MENG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to announce the introduction of the Global Pandemic Prevention and Biosecurity Act, a bill that would create a diplomatic global effort to ban the sale of live and fresh wildlife for human consumption. This policy, and the authorization of corresponding programs, would reduce risk and increase research of zoonotic diseases, support reduction of wildlife trafficking, and expand programs that aim to close wildlife markets.

This bill also authorizes programs to address the demand for live and fresh wildlife for human consumption by improving nutritional choices and outcomes while protecting critical wildlife areas.

A whole-of-government approach that embraces a One Health model is critical to ensuring that we are much better prepared for another zoonotic disease like COVID–19, that we understand its risks, and that we can mitigate spread from animals to humans.

My legislation would create a Global Zoonotic Disease Task Force. It would also require a multi-sectoral strategy from USAID to reduce the demand for wildlife consumption through food security interventions, and authorize an integrated zoonotic disease program to research and conduct surveillance of priority and unknow diseases, and to prevent spillover through behavioral changes.

I am thrilled to be joined in leading this bill with my colleague on the State and Foreign Operations House Appropriations Subcommittee, Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY, and in the Senate with Senators CHRIS COONS and LINDSEY GRAHAM. I urge our colleagues on both sides of the chamber to help us pass this important measure.

COMMEMORATING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST ARMORED DIVISION'S ARRIVAL TO EL PASO, TEXAS

HON. VERONICA ESCOBAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Ms. ESCOBAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 10th anniversary of the 1st Armored Division's arrival to El Paso, TX.

Nicknamed the Old Ironsides, the 1st Armored Division was founded in 1940 at Fort Knox. They have valiantly protected our nation in the toughest battles—World War II, the Korean War, the Cuban Missile Crisis, the Persian Gulf War, and the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. Old Ironsides have called many places home, including Fort Hood and West Germany. On May 13, 2011, they found their home at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas.

Over the last 10 years, America's future military leaders are being trained at Fort Bliss and about 30,000 Iron Soldiers continue to exercise mission commands of the Army. The 1st Armored division and their families have become integral members of our community—their presence at Fort Bliss supports our local economy and creates a richer and more diverse culture.

I, and the rest of the El Paso community, are appreciative of the 1st Armored Division's service to our country and are grateful for each of the Old Iron Soldiers for their sacrifices, service, and leadership. The El Paso, Texas community is proud to call the First Armored Division the home of America's tank force.

HONORING YOLANDA BROWN FOR 30 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

HON. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Yolanda Brown for her exemplary leadership and dedication throughout her 30-year career with the Florida Department of Corrections Inspector General's Office.

Throughout her career, Ms. Brown exemplified the finest qualities associated with the law enforcement profession. She has distinguished herself as a caring leader and a generous person to all those who have had the pleasure of working alongside her. Ms. Brown's decades of service and sacrifice have undoubtedly made our community safer.

On behalf of the Fifteenth Congressional District of Florida, congratulations again to Yolanda Brown for 30 distinguished years of service, becoming an Eagle Scout. It's an honor to represent dedicated Americans like Ms. Brown in Congress.

HONORING FIREFIGHTER DAVE LAUVER

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Firefighter Dave Lauver for his 45 years of service with the Meyersdale Volunteer Fire Department in Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

Firefighters' commitment and service to our community are invaluable. Volunteer firefighters often are called on to respond to emergencies of all types. From battling structure fires to conducting search and rescue operations, volunteer firefighters respond immediately whenever disaster strikes. These heroes often go above and beyond—they teach first aid, educate students about fire and other dangerous hazards, and even install car safety seats for children. Through their diverse and often-difficult work, volunteer firefighters provide lifesaving services and are a staple of our local community.

Firefighter Lauver has worked throughout his career to serve the people of Somerset County. On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I thank him for his work to protect life and property in our community and wish him continued health, safety, and success.

IN RECOGNITION OF JOHN CARDONI, MY VIRTUAL GUEST OF HONOR FOR PRESIDENT BIDEN'S FIRST ADDRESS TO A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor John Cardoni, my virtual guest of honor to President Joseph R. Biden Jr.'s first address to a Joint Session of Congress. John is one of the many heroes of this pandemic who I am proud to represent in the House of Representatives. When he fell on pandemic hard times, he refused to give up in the face of adversity.

John lives in Dupont, Pennsylvania, with his wife, Agnes Cardoni, Ph.D. and their son, Christopher. He is the Facility Director for the esteemed Scranton Cultural Center, which was devastated by the economic downturn brought on by the pandemic as so many large event venues were. Although he was laid off early on amid the COVID–19 outbreak, John and his family were able to make ends meet with the help of direct economic impact payments and enhanced unemployment insurance made possible through the CARES Act and the American Rescue Plan. These relief lifelines helped John and his wife keep up with their mortgage payments and meet out-of-pocket medical expenses.

A diabetic and transplant recipient, John also understood that his medical history put him at higher risk for serious COVID–19 infection, and so he was careful to avoid close contact with others outside of his immediate household.

Now, over a year later, and several weeks since the enactment of the American Rescue Plan, John and his family are fully vaccinated against COVID–19, and he has been able to gather with his mother and sisters safely in person once again. Additionally, he has been able to make plans to safely reopen the Scranton Cultural Center's doors and continue providing enriching experiences for Northeastern Pennsylvanians of all ages.

Throughout this past year, President Biden has often warned the world, ''it has never, ever, been a good bet to bet against the American people.'' He is right, and Americans like John are the people he has in mind when he boasts this sentiment.

Although I regret being unable to have John accompany me in the House chamber in person due to COVID–19 safety protocols in place at the time, I am humbled to uplift his comeback story. It is a shining example of American resilience and determination through the darkest of times.

I recognize his story in honor of him, as well as all the Northeastern Pennsylvanians who suffered, sacrificed and persevered through this pandemic.

HONORING TOMMY STEVENSON AND 36 YEARS OF TOMMY'S COUNTRY HAM HOUSE

HON. WILLIAM R. TIMMONS, IV

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. TIMMONS. Madam Speaker, I want to congratulate Tommy Stevenson on his retirement after 36 years of service to our community. His well-lived life, risk-taking, and hard work paid off, and he achieved the American Dream by establishing the single most iconic restaurant in Greenville.

More than a restaurant, Tommy's Country Ham House became the social and political heart of Greenville. There is a saying that ''the road to the White House begins at the Ham House.'' Over the years, generations of aspiring politicians visited Tommy's in the weeks leading up to South Carolina's ''First in the South'' primary. The many signed pictures hanging on the restaurant ''Wall of Fame'' are a testament to the esteem in which he is held by generations of public servants and other luminaries.

His service to our community has also extended far beyond the political realm, whether it be feeding the Furman University football team before games or providing generous discounts to our law enforcement community. I would also like to commend Tommy for employing individuals with intellectual disabilities or substance abuse problems, who are often forgotten by society when they need a hand.

Tommy treated all of his employees with the same kindness and respect that he showed his own family, and he allowed my staff to establish an ''unofficial'' office at the Ham House to assist countless disabled veterans and widowed constituents in obtaining much-needed Federal benefits. Tommy's giving spirit is truly an inspiration to us all.

Although Governor McMaster has already bestowed Tommy with the Order of the Palmetto, our community will never be able to fully thank him for the past 36 years of service to the people of Greenville and the Upstate as a whole. As this chapter of Tommy's incredibly successful business career closes, my wish is that another, equally fulfilling chapter with his wonderful family opens. May God continue to bless him and his.

SAFE DRINKING WATER IN PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS, PARKS, AND LIBRARIES ACT

HON. GRACE MENG

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Ms. MENG. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a call to action regarding the right to clean drinking water. Clean drinking water is not a luxury; it is a fundamental human right that should be accessible to all regardless of your socioeconomic status.

There are over 30,000 public playgrounds and parks in major U.S. cities and approximately 17,000 public library locations today. Children and students frequently congregate in those places for learning, borrowing a book, or having fun. But neither they—nor their parents—should have to worry that the drinking water may be unsafe.

That is why, today, I am introducing the Safe Drinking Water in Playgrounds, Parks, and Libraries Act. This bill would ensure states, municipalities, and libraries have the financial resources to replace drinking water fountains, monitor them, or replace the Lead Service Line connected to such fountains. While we can test water fountains for lead poisoning, some municipalities, schools, and libraries lack the resources to replace their water fountains; this is simply wrong. My bill will ensure such entities have the necessary financial resources to accomplish this task.

Exposure to lead—even low levels—can have serious health and development consequences for infants, children under six, and pregnant women. For those exposed to this dangerous element, signs of poisoning may include cognitive impairment, behavioral problems, and other health related problems. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, ''there is no safe amount of lead exposure in children . . .,'' which is why it is critical that we advance efforts that prevents lead poisoning.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the Safe Drinking Water in Public Playgrounds, Parks, and Libraries Act. It is undeniable that the fate of our children and future generations rests on the decisions we make today on access to clean water. Let's ensure all enjoy this fundamental human right.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF DAVE RAPALLO

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of Dave Rapallo, Staff Director of the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

For the last decade, Dave has skillfully guided the Members and staff of the Oversight

Committee with his incomparable mastery of strategy, oversight, and detail.

Few individuals have impacted this body as greatly as Dave. Countless Members of Congress have sought his counsel and come away more effective for it. Hundreds of staff learned the art of Congressional oversight and how to use the tools of Congress to demand answers on behalf of the American people.

Dave previously served as Chief Investigative Counsel under Chairman Henry Waxman. He led critical investigations exposing wartime contracting fraud in Iraq, the outing of CIA agent Valerie Plame, steroid abuse in major league baseball, and the causes of the 2008 financial crisis.

Dave served as General Counsel on the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and then was appointed by President Barack Obama as Senior Director on the National Security Council staff.

In 2011, Dave answered the call of the late Chairman Elijah Cummings, who asked Dave to serve as his staff director on the Oversight Committee. I know Chairman Cummings trusted Dave more than anyone to help make our government more efficient and more effective.

When I took over following the tragic death of Chairman Cummings, Dave helped ensure the Committee had a seamless transition.

Dave has never sought the spotlight but instead uses his talents to make those around him shine.

He demands excellence and gives nothing less himself. Dave worked harder than anyone I know, always thinking two steps ahead and finding the best route to get there.

More than anything, he is a dedicated public servant committed to using the powers of Congress to make a difference.

During the last Administration, Dave oversaw the Committee's efforts to ensure every person in America was counted in the Census, every American could exercise the right to vote, and every child separated from their parents at the border was reunited.

For all of this and so much more, we say thanks to Dave Rapallo. He has made a lasting impact on this body and this country.

HONORING FIREFIGHTER AMBER HOMA

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Firefighter Amber Homa for her 15 years of service with the Meyersdale Volunteer Fire Department in Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

Firefighters' commitment and service to our community are invaluable. Volunteer firefighters often are called on to respond to emergencies of all types. From battling structure fires to conducting search and rescue operations, volunteer firefighters respond immediately whenever disaster strikes. These heroes often go above and beyond—they teach first aid, educate students about fire and other dangerous hazards, and even install car safety seats for children. Through their diverse and often-difficult work, volunteer firefighters provide lifesaving services and are a staple of our local community.

Firefighter Homa has worked throughout her career to serve the people of Somerset County. On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I thank her for her work to protect life and property in our community and wish her continued health, safety, and success.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. STANLEY YOUNG LOUIE

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Dr. Stanley Young Louie, affectionately known as the ''Selma Doctor.''

Dr. Louie provided healthcare to the community of Selma, California, for 22 years with the Logan Street Medical Group. Shortly after joining, he became the medical director and owner. Dr. Louie also served as the president of the Selma Healthcare District during his career.

Beloved by the Selma community, Dr. Louie was an active member of the Selma Rotary Club and Selma Chamber of Commerce, and he frequently contributed to the local newspaper and participated in community events. Dr. Louie also proudly celebrated his Chinese culture, serving as a member and president of the Fresno Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association and participating in Lunar New Year celebrations with the Chinese New Year program at the Confucius School of Fresno.

Dr. Louie is remembered as a family man who enjoyed taking trips to the coast with his wife and daughters and was frequently involved in his daughters' extra-curricular activities. He is survived by his wife, Adriane; his parents, Sammy and Shirley; his daughters, Christina, Danielle, and Samantha; his brother, Stacey; his sister, Sherry; and many loving grandchildren, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring Dr. Stan Louie, the ''Selma Doctor,'' as a flag is flown today over the United States Capitol in his memory.

TRIBUTE TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL ARTHUR B. COOK, JR.

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual from my hometown of Corona, California whose dedication and contributions to our nation are exceptional. On Saturday, May 29, 2021, retired Lieutenant Colonel Arthur B. Cook, Jr. will serve as the 2021 Grand Marshal of the 7th annual Memorial Mile March. The March is an event hosted by the Corona Chamber Foundation to honor our military and those who have proudly served our nation in uniform.

Lt. Col. Cook proudly served in the United States Army for 27 years and 7 months. Early on in his career, Lt. Col. Cook held the honor of Platoon Leader of the Old Guard, the Army unit that performs the funeral services for Arlington National Cemetery and guards the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. On the solemn evening when President John F. Kennedy's body was brought to rest at Arlington National Cemetery, Lt. Col. Cook was on duty with the Old Guard.

Later in his Army career, Lt. Col. Cook graduated with distinction from The Infantry School and Officer Candidate School. During a tour of duty in Vietnam, Lt. Col. Cook was awarded the Silver Star and two Bronze Stars for valor in action. He also received the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, and the Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Medal among many others. Upon returning from Vietnam he and his wife, Dickey, and daughter, Noelle, settled in Corona. The Cooks have lived in the same home in Corona since 1969.

In light of all that Lt. Col. Cook has done for our nation and community, it is only fitting to honor him as the Grand Marshal in the Memorial Mile March. On behalf of everyone in the 42nd Congressional District I want to thank Lt. Col. Cook for his service to our nation. I add my voice to the many who will be congratulating Lt. Col. Cook for being selected as the 2021 Memorial Mile March Grand Marshal.

HONORING PAMELA ANN WRIGHT FOR HER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO SARATOGA COUNTY

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Pamela Ann Wright for her many years of selfless service to Saratoga County.

Born and raised in Galway, New York, Pamela began her career as a Confidential Secretary to the County Administrator in 1988. In 2010, she was appointed Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. Since then, Pamela became a member of the New York State Association of Clerks of Legislative Boards in 2012 and was appointed to their Executive Board in 2016. She also currently serves as the Administrative Assistant to the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages. After 11 years as the Clerk and 33 years total serving within the Saratoga County government, Pamela is embarking on her well-deserved retirement. She has been instrumental in the day-to-day operations of the Board of Supervisors, and her dedication and perseverance to her role helped ensure her community ran smoothly.

In addition to her service in the county government, Pamela has also prioritized giving back to her community through community service. She currently serves as the President of the Hadley-Luzerne Lioness Club, an organization that works to raise awareness to local needs and pursues solutions through charitable works. She was awarded Lioness of the Month in October 2015 and March 2017. Additionally, she was awarded the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award in June 2017 for her faithful dedication to the community and the Hadley-Luzerne Lioness Club.

Pamela truly has been dedicated to the Saratoga community. She embodies the North Country spirit of neighbor helping neighbor, always quick to lend a hand. On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, I would like to thank Pamela for her contributions to the community and congratulate her on reaching this important milestone. I join many folks in our community in wishing her well in this next chapter of her life.

HONORING FIREFIGHTER BRANDY RINGLER

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Firefighter Brandy Ringler for her 5 years of service with the Meyersdale Volunteer Fire Department in Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

Firefighters' commitment and service to our community are invaluable. Volunteer firefighters often are called on to respond to emergencies of all types. From battling structure fires to conducting search and rescue operations, volunteer firefighters respond immediately whenever disaster strikes. These heroes often go above and beyond—they teach first aid, educate students about fire and other dangerous hazards, and even install car safety seats for children. Through their diverse and often-difficult work, volunteer firefighters provide lifesaving services and are a staple of our local community.

Firefighter Ringler has worked throughout her career to serve the people of Somerset County. On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I thank her for her work to protect life and property in our community and wish her continued health, safety, and success.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MS. KAO LY ILEAN HER

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Ms. McCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the life of Ms. Kao Ly Ilean Her, a Hmong-American leader and University of Minnesota Board of Regent who died on May 13 at age 52 of COVID–19. Ms. Her was a tremendous advocate and a connector for our community and the State of Minnesota. Her passing is a loss that is felt deeply throughout Saint Paul and our state.

A refugee who fled war-tom Laos as a young girl in 1976, Ms. Her and her family arrived in the United States and eventually made Minnesota their new home. She excelled at academics, graduating from Hamline University and earning her Juris Doctorate from the University of Minnesota Law School and becoming the first Hmong woman to be admitted to the Minnesota State Bar Association. In 2019, she was the first Hmong-American elected to the University of Minnesota Board of Regents by the Minnesota Legislature.

Ms. Her put her natural leadership skills to use for others early on—founding several nonprofit organizations, promoting the empowerment of women and girls and supporting our community in many other ways. She was especially dedicated to efforts supporting youth, respecting elders and advocating for the arts that enrich and sustain us.

It was a privilege to work closely with Ms. Her throughout the time I've served in congress, and to experience her energy and optimism for building a bright future for herself and others. During her service as executive director of the Minnesota Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans in the early 2000s, she reached out to my office and volunteered to help lead the successful state efforts to resettle Hmong refugees arriving from Thailand. Her work to help these new Americans transition to life here were invaluable as they reconnected with family members, established new homes and quickly contributed to the economic and cultural vitality of our community.

Ms. Her understood the innate importance of family and the power that neighbors have in working together for the common good. Her ability to connect community members and empower others has spurred new leaders in the Hmong-American community and throughout our state. Her own path in life inspires a vision for others to believe in themselves and determine their own futures.

My condolences are with Ms. Her's beloved family and many friends. Madam Speaker, please join me in tribute to Kao Ly Ilean Her for her remarkable life of service and leadership for others.

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Routine Proceedings, pages S3173–S3316

Measures Introduced: Sixty-three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1723–1785, S.J. Res. 19, and S. Res. 227–228.
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Measures Reported:

S. 921, to amend title 18, United States Code, to further protect officers and employees of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3191**

Measures Passed:

Alaska Tourism Recovery Act: Senate passed H.R. 1318, to restrict the imposition by the Secretary of Homeland Security of fines, penalties, duties, or tariffs applicable only to coastwise voyages, or prohibit otherwise qualified non-United States citizens from serving as crew, on specified vessels transporting passengers between the State of Washington and the State of Alaska, to address a Canadian cruise ship ban and the extraordinary impacts of the COVID–19 pandemic on Alaskan communities, pursuant to the order of May 19, 2021.
Pages S3186–87

Kids to Parks Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 228, designating May 15, 2021, as ''Kids to Parks Day''.
Page S3314

Arbor Day 149th Anniversary: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 194, celebrating the 149th anniversary of Arbor Day, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S3314**

Cortez Masto (for King) Amendment No. 1875, to amend the preamble. **Page S3314**

Measures Considered:

Endless Frontier Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:
Pages S3175–82, S3182–86, S3187–89

Rejected:

By 44 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 198), Inhofe Amendment No. 1523 (to Amendment No. 1502), to express the sense of the Senate and establish points of order to ensure the United States adequately funds national defense with a whole-of-government investment plan for strategic competition with the People's Republic of China. (Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, May 19, 2021, the amendment having failed to achieve 60-affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S3175–80**

By 46 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 199), Johnson Amendment No. 1518 (to Amendment No. 1502), to prohibit the cancellation of contracts for physical barriers and other border security measures for which funds already have been obligated and for which penalties will be incurred in the case of such cancellation and prohibiting the use of funds for payment of such penalties. (Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, May 19, 2021, the amendment having failed to achieve 60-affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S3176–82, S3182–83**

Pending:

Schumer Amendment No. 1502, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3175**

Cantwell Amendment No. 1527 (to Amendment No. 1502), of a perfecting nature. **Page S3175**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, May 24, 2021, Senate resume consideration of the bill. **Page S3316**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senators Cortez Masto and Kaine be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions from Thursday, May 20, 2021, through Monday, May 24, 2021. **Page S3316**

Brooks-LaSure Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, of Virginia, to be Administrator of

the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services. **Page S3182**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, May 20, 2021, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 2021. **Page S3182**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S3182**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, May 24, 2021, Senate resume consideration of the nomination; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed on Thursday, May 20, 2021, ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, May 24, 2021. **Page S3316**

Clarke Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Kristen M. Clarke, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice. **Page S3182**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services. **Page S3182**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S3182**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S3182**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jennifer L. Homendy, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term of three years.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—199) **Pages S3180, S3183**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 4:40 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3316.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CLIMATE CHANGE AND FORESTLANDS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal, state, and private forestlands, focusing on opportunities for addressing climate change, after receiving testimony from Joe Fox, Arkansas Department of Agriculture, on behalf of the National Association of State Foresters, and Jessica Orrego, American Carbon Registry at Winrock International, both of Little Rock, Arkansas; Kedren Dillard, Sustainable Forestry and African American Land Retention Network, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the American Forest Foundation; Troy Harris, Jamestown, Atlanta, Georgia; and Tony Cheng, Colorado State University Colorado Forest Restoration Institute, Fort Collins.

TRANSITION OF FORCES FROM AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the transition of all United States and Coalition forces from Afghanistan and its implications, after receiving testimony from David F. Helvey, Acting Assistant Secretary for Indo-Pacific Security Affairs, and Brigadier General Matthew G. Trollinger, USMC, Deputy Director, Politico-Military Affairs (Middle East), J–5, Joint Staff.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Michael J. McCord, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), and Ronald S. Moultrie, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.

21ST CENTURY COMMUNITIES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine 21st century communities, focusing on expanding opportunity through infrastructure investments, after receiving testimony from Marcia L. Fudge, Secretary of

Housing and Urban Development; and Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of Transportation.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Eric S. Lander, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Pamela A. Melroy, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, who was introduced by Senator Kelly, Carlos Alberto Monje, Jr., of Louisiana, to be Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy, and Richard W. Spinrad, of Oregon, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, who was introduced by Representative Bonamici, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FOREST MANAGEMENT, FOREST PRODUCTS, AND CARBON

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the role of reforestation, active forest management, and carbon storage in fostering resiliency, after receiving testimony from Jennifer S. Cover, WoodWorks, San Marcos, California; Thomas W. Crowther, United Nations Trillion Trees Initiative, Zurich, Switzerland; James D. Irving, J.D. Irving, Limited, Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada; Mary Mitsos, National Forest Foundation, Missoula, Montana; and Ben Wudtke, Intermountain Forest Association, Rapid City, South Dakota.

HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security concluded a hearing to examine solving the crisis in the health care workforce, after receiving testimony from David J. Skorton, Association of American Medical Colleges, Washington, D.C.; Leon McDougle, National Medical Association, Columbus, Ohio; Shelley Spires, Albany Area Primary Health Care, Albany, Georgia; and James D. Herbert, University of New England, Biddeford, Maine.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Ketanji Brown Jackson, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Candace Jackson-Akiwumi, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, Julien Xavier Neals, and Zahid N. Quraishi, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, and Regina M. Rodriguez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado.

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine taking aim at Alzheimer's, focusing on frontline perspectives and caregiver challenges, after receiving testimony from Mark A. Supiano, University of Utah Center on Aging, Salt Lake City; Jennifer Manly, Columbia University Taub Institute for Research in Aging and Alzheimer's Disease, New York, New York; Peg Lahmeyer, The Ark of SC, Summerville, South Carolina; and Katelyn Montanez, Ephrata, Pennsylvania.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 96 public bills, H.R. 3362–3457; and 15 resolutions, H.J. Res. 46–49; and H. Res. 417–427 were introduced. **Pages H2647–52**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2655–56**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 2570, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require certain disclosures relating to climate change, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–39). **Page H2647**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative DeGette to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2615**

Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to January 6th Appropriations Act, 2021: The House passed H.R. 3237, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, by a yea-and-nay vote of 213 yeas to 212 nays with three answering ''present'', Roll No. 156. **Pages H2617–32**

Rejected the Tony Gonzalez (TX) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations

by a yea-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 155. **Pages H2630–31**

H. Res. 409, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3233) and (H.R. 3237) was agreed to yesterday, May 19th.

Providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.J. Res. 27, providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. **Page H2632**

Alaska Tourism Recovery Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 1318, to restrict the imposition by the Secretary of Homeland Security of fines, penalties, duties, or tariffs applicable only to coastwise voyages, or prohibit otherwise qualified non-United States citizens from serving as crew, on specified vessels transporting passengers between the State of Washington and the State of Alaska, to address a Canadian cruise ship ban and the extraordinary impacts of the COVID–19 pandemic on Alaskan communities, as amended by Representative DeFazio. **Pages H2632–33**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2630–31 and H2631.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Committee Meetings

WORLDWIDE THREAT AND FY 2022 NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM/ MILITARY INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM POSTURE WITH THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AND UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY

Committee On Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing entitled ''Worldwide Threat and FY 2022 National Intelligence Program/Military Intelligence Program Posture with the Director of National Intelligence and Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security''. Testimony was heard from Avril Haines, Director of National Intelligence; and David M. Taylor, Performing Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, Department of Defense. This hearing was closed.

MEMBER DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing entitled ''Member Day''. Testimony was heard from Representatives Fallon and Van Drew.

MEMBER DAY

Committee On Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled ''Member Day''. Testimony was heard from Representatives Escobar and Hudson.

REVIEWING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY, POLICY, AND PROGRAMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022: FOSTERING A ROBUST ECOSYSTEM FOR OUR TECHNOLOGICAL EDGE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Cyber, Innovative Technologies, and Information Systems held a hearing entitled ''Reviewing Department of Defense Science and Technology Strategy, Policy, and Programs for Fiscal Year 2022: Fostering a Robust Ecosystem for Our Technological Edge''. Testimony was heard from Barbara McQuiston, Acting, Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense; Philip Perconti, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research and Technology, Department of the Army; Joan Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy Research, Development, Test, and Engineering, Department of the Navy; and Kristin Baldwin, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics for Science Technology, and Engineering, Department of the Air Force.

AN UNENDING CRISIS: ESSENTIAL STEPS TO REDUCING GUN VIOLENCE AND MASS SHOOTINGS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing entitled ''An Unending Crisis: Essential Steps to Reducing Gun Violence and Mass Shootings''. Testimony was heard from Vikki Goodwin, Member, Texas House of Representatives; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States held a hearing on H.R. 2930, the ''STOP Act of 2021''; H.R. 438, to amend the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children Act to extend the deadline for a report by the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children, and for other purposes; and legislation to prescribe procedures for effective consultation and coordination by Federal agencies with federally recognized Indian Tribes regarding Federal Government actions that impact Tribal lands and interests to ensure that meaningful Tribal input is an integral part

of the Federal decision-making process. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING NEXT STEPS FOR U.S. ENGAGEMENT IN AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing entitled ''Examining Next Steps for U.S. Engagement in Afghanistan''. Testimony was heard from Zalmay Khalilzad, Special Representative for Afghanistan Reconciliation, Department of State.

CYBERSECURITY AND RISK MANAGEMENT AT VA: ADDRESSING ONGOING CHALLENGES AND MOVING FORWARD

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled ''Cybersecurity and Risk Management at VA: Addressing Ongoing Challenges and Moving Forward''. Testimony was heard from Paul Cunningham, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Chief Information Security Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; Michael Bowman, Director of IT and Security Audits Division, Office of Audits and Evaluations Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; Chris Jaikaran, Analyst in Cybersecurity Policy, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

POWERING UP CLEAN ENERGY: INVESTMENTS TO MODERNIZE AND EXPAND THE ELECTRIC GRID

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis: Full Committee held a hearing entitled ''Powering Up Clean Energy: Investments to Modernize and Expand the Electric Grid''. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, May 24

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of S. 1260, Endless Frontier Act.

At 5:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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House Chamber

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