

election dates, and any other information the Commission determines is appropriate.

“(C) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADJUSTMENT OF AMOUNTS.—Based on the review conducted under subparagraph (A), the Commission shall make recommendations to Congress for any adjustment of the following amounts:

“(i) The maximum dollar amount of qualified small dollar contributions under section 501(13)(C).

“(ii) The maximum and minimum dollar amounts for qualifying contributions under section 501(12)(A).

“(iii) The number and value of qualifying contributions a candidate is required to obtain under section 512(a)(1).

“(iv) The base amount for candidates under section 522(d).

“(v) The maximum amount of matching contributions a candidate may receive under section 523(b).

“(vi) The maximum amount of enhanced matching contributions a candidate may receive under section 524(c).

“(vii) The dollar amount for vouchers under section 525(c).

“(D) REPORT.—Not later than March 30 following any general election for Federal office, the Commission shall submit a report to Congress on the review conducted under subparagraph (A) and any recommendations developed under subparagraph (C). Such report shall contain a detailed statement of the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Commission based on such review.

“(b) REPORTS.—Not later than March 30, 2026, and every 2 years thereafter, the Commission shall submit to the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration a report documenting, evaluating, and making recommendations relating to the administrative implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this title.

“(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this subtitle.

“SEC. 532. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.

“(a) CIVIL PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENDITURE REQUIREMENTS.—If a candidate who has been certified as a participating candidate under section 514 accepts a contribution or makes an expenditure that is prohibited under section 513, the Commission shall assess a civil penalty against the candidate in an amount that is not more than 3 times the amount of the contribution or expenditure. Any amounts collected under this subsection shall be deposited into the Fund.

“(b) REPAYMENT FOR IMPROPER USE OF FREEDOM FROM INFLUENCE FUND.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Commission determines that any benefit made available to a participating candidate under this title was not used as provided for in this title or that a participating candidate has violated any of the dates for remission of funds contained in this title, the Commission shall so notify the candidate and the candidate shall pay to the Fund an amount equal to—

“(A) the amount of benefits so used or not remitted, as appropriate; and

“(B) interest on any such amounts (at a rate determined by the Commission).

“(2) OTHER ACTION NOT PRECLUDED.—Any action by the Commission in accordance with this subsection shall not preclude enforcement proceedings by the Commission in accordance with section 309(a), including a referral by the Commission to the Attorney General in the case of an apparent knowing and willful violation of this title.”.

SEC. 202. PROHIBITION ON JOINT FUNDRAISING COMMITTEES.

Section 302(e) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30102(e)) is

amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(6) No authorized committee of a participating candidate (as defined in section 501) may establish a joint fundraising committee with a political committee other than an authorized committee of a candidate.”.

SEC. 203. EXCEPTION TO LIMITATION ON COORDINATED EXPENDITURES BY POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEES WITH PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES.

Section 315(d) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30116(d)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)(A), by striking “in the case of” and inserting “except as provided in paragraph (6), in the case of”; and

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

“(6)(A) The limitation under paragraph (3)(A) shall not apply with respect to any expenditure from a qualified political party-participating candidate coordinated expenditure fund.

“(B) In this paragraph, the term ‘qualified political party-participating candidate coordinated expenditure fund’ means a fund established by the national committee of a political party, or a State committee of a political party, including any subordinate committee of a State committee, for purposes of making expenditures in connection with the general election campaign of a candidate for election to the office of Senator who is a participating candidate (as defined in section 501), that only accepts qualified coordinated expenditure contributions.

“(C) In this paragraph, the term ‘qualified coordinated expenditure contribution’ means, with respect to the general election campaign of a candidate for election to the office of Senator who is a participating candidate (as defined in section 501), any contribution (or series of contributions)—

“(i) which is made by an individual who is not prohibited from making a contribution under this Act; and

“(ii) the aggregate amount of which does not exceed \$500 per election.”.

TITLE III—RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

SEC. 301. PETITION FOR CERTIORARI.

Section 307(a)(6) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30107(a)(6)) is amended by inserting “(including a proceeding before the Supreme Court on certiorari)” after “appeal”.

SEC. 302. ELECTRONIC FILING OF FEC REPORTS.

Section 304(a)(11) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30104(a)(11)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “under this Act—” and all that follows and inserting “under this Act shall be required to maintain and file such designation, statement, or report in electronic form accessible by computers.”;

(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “48 hours” and all that follows through “filed electronically)” and inserting “24 hours”; and

(3) by striking subparagraph (D).

TITLE IV—REVENUE PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. FREEDOM FROM INFLUENCE FUND REVENUE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after chapter 36 the following new chapter:

“CHAPTER 37—TAX ON PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO CERTAIN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

“Sec. 4501. Imposition of tax.

“SEC. 4501. IMPOSITION OF TAX.

“(a) TAX IMPOSED.—There is hereby imposed on any payment made to a qualified person pursuant to a contract with the Gov-

ernment of the United States a tax equal to 0.50 percent of the amount paid.

“(b) LIMITATION.—The aggregate amount of tax imposed per contract under subsection (a) for any calendar year shall not exceed \$500,000.

“(c) QUALIFIED PERSON.—For purposes of this section, the term ‘qualified person’ means any person which—

“(1) is not a State or local government, a foreign nation, or an organization described in section 501(c)(3) which is exempt from taxation under section 501(a), and

“(2) has a contract with the Government of the United States with a value in excess of \$10,000,000.

“(d) PAYMENT OF TAX.—The tax imposed by this section shall be paid by the person receiving such payment.

“(e) USE OF REVENUE GENERATED BY TAX.—It is the sense of the Senate that amounts equivalent to the revenue generated by the tax imposed under this chapter should be appropriated for the financing of a Freedom From Influence Fund and used for the public financing of Senate elections.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after the item relating to chapter 36 the following:

“CHAPTER 37—TAX ON PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO CERTAIN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to contracts entered into after the date of the enactment of this Act.

TITLE V—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SEC. 501. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this Act or amendment made by this Act, or the application of a provision or amendment to any person or circumstance, is held to be unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act and amendments made by this Act, and the application of the provisions and amendment to any person or circumstance, shall not be affected by the holding.

SEC. 502. EFFECTIVE DATE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as may otherwise be provided in this Act and in the amendments made by this Act, this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to elections occurring during 2028 or any succeeding year, without regard to whether or not the Federal Election Commission has promulgated the final regulations necessary to carry out this Act and the amendments made by this Act by the deadline set forth in subsection (b).

(b) DEADLINE FOR REGULATIONS.—Not later than June 30, 2026, the Federal Election Commission shall promulgate such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this Act and the amendments made by this Act.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Ms. WARREN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S.J. Res. 67. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to the fundamental right to vote; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the resolution was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S.J. RES. 67

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in

Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein). That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States:

“ARTICLE —

“SECTION 1. Every citizen of the United States, who is of legal voting age, shall have the fundamental right to vote in any public election held in the jurisdiction in which the citizen resides.

“SECTION 2. The fundamental right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State or political subdivision within a State unless such denial or abridgment is in furtherance of a compelling governmental interest and is the least restrictive means of furthering that compelling governmental interest.

“SECTION 3. The portion of section 2 of the fourteenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States that consists of the phrase ‘or other crime,’ is repealed.

“SECTION 4. The Congress shall have the power to enforce this article and protect against any denial or abridgement of the fundamental right to vote by legislation.”.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 6526. Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. RISCH, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. PAUL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. HAWLEY, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. LEE, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. LANKFORD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes.

SA 6527. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6528. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6529. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 6513 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mr. MANCHIN) to the bill H.R. 7776, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6530. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 6513 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mr. MANCHIN) to the bill H.R. 7776, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6531. Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. MORAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6532. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6533. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6534. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes.

SA 6535. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6534 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1437, supra.

SA 6536. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1437, supra.

SA 6537. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6536 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1437, supra.

SA 6538. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6537 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the amendment SA 6536 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1437, supra.

SA 6539. Mr. KAINE (for himself and Mr. YOUNG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6540. Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. BRAUN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes.

SA 6541. Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. JOHNSON) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1437, supra.

SA 6542. Mr. KING (for Mr. BARRASSO) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 3957, to amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to make certain activities eligible for grants from the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund, and for other purposes.

SA 6543. Mr. KING (for Mr. SCOTT of Florida) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 688, to prohibit contracting with persons that have business operations with the Maduro regime, and for other purposes.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 6526. Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. RISCH, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. PAUL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. HAWLEY, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. LEE, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. LANKFORD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; as follows:

Insert after section 525 the following:

SEC. 525A. REMEDIES FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES DISCHARGED OR SUBJECT TO PUNISHMENT UNDER THE COVID-19 VACCINE MANDATE.

(a) **LIMITATION ON IMPOSITION OF NEW MANDATE.**—The Secretary of Defense may not issue any COVID-19 vaccine mandate as a replacement for the rescinded mandates under this Act absent a further act of Congress expressly authorizing a replacement mandate.

(b) **REMEDIES.**—Section 736 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81; 10 U.S.C. 1161 note prec.) is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking “TO OBEY LAWFUL ORDER TO RECEIVE” and inserting “TO RECEIVE”;

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking “a lawful order” and inserting “an order”; and

(B) by striking “shall be” and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting “shall be an honorable discharge.”;

(3) by redesignating subsection (b) as subsection (e); and

(4) by inserting after subsection (a) the following new subsections:

“(b) **PROHIBITION ON ADVERSE ACTION.**—The Secretary of Defense may not take any adverse action against a covered member based solely on the refusal of such member to receive a vaccine for COVID-19.

“(c) **REMEDIES AVAILABLE FOR A COVERED MEMBER DISCHARGED OR PUNISHED BASED ON COVID-19 STATUS.**—At the election of a covered member and upon application through a process established by the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary shall—

“(1) adjust to ‘honorable discharge’ the status of the member if—

“(A) the member was separated from the Armed Forces based solely on the failure of the member to obey an order to receive a vaccine for COVID-19; and

“(B) the discharge status of the member would have been an ‘honorable discharge’ but for the refusal to obtain such vaccine;

“(2) reinstate the member to service at the highest grade held by the member immediately prior to the involuntary separation, allowing, however, for any demotion that was not related to the member’s COVID-19 vaccination status, with an effective date of reinstatement as of the date of involuntary separation;

“(3) for any member who was subject to any punishment other than involuntary separation based solely on the member’s COVID-19 vaccination status—

“(A) restore the member to the highest grade held prior to such punishment, allowing, however, for any demotion that was not related to the member’s COVID-19 vaccination status, with an effective date of reinstatement as of the date of involuntary separation; and

“(B) compensate such member for any pay and benefits lost as a result of such punishment;

“(4) expunge from the service record of the member any reference to any adverse action based solely on COVID-19 status, including involuntary separation; and

“(5) include the time of involuntary separation of the member reinstated under paragraph (2) in the computation of the retired or retainer pay of the member.

“(d) **ATTEMPT TO AVOID DISCHARGE.**—The Secretary of Defense shall make every effort to retain members of the Armed Forces who are not vaccinated against COVID-19.”.

(c) **IMMEDIATE RESCISSION OF MANDATE.**—Notwithstanding the deadline provided for in section 525, the rescission of the COVID-19 mandate shall take effect immediately.

SA 6527. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end add the following:

SEC. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 7 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 6528. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end add the following:

SEC. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 8 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 6529. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 6513 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mr. MANCHIN) to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “8” and insert “9”.

SA 6530. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 6513 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mr. MANCHIN) to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “9” and insert “10”.

SA 6531. Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. MORAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 823. PROHIBITION ON REQUIRING DEFENSE CONTRACTORS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION RELATING TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) GREENHOUSE GAS.—The term “greenhouse gas” means—

- (A) carbon dioxide;
- (B) methane;
- (C) nitrous oxide;
- (D) nitrogen trifluoride;
- (E) hydrofluorocarbons
- (F) perfluorocarbons; or
- (G) sulfur hexafluoride.

(2) GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY.—The term “greenhouse gas inventory” means a quantified list of an entity’s annual greenhouse gas emissions.

(3) SCOPE 1 EMISSIONS.—The term “Scope 1 emissions” means direct greenhouse gas emissions from sources that are owned or controlled by the reporting entity.

(4) SCOPE 2 EMISSIONS.—The term “Scope 2 emissions” means indirect greenhouse gas emissions associated with the generation of electricity, heating and cooling, or steam, when these are purchased or acquired for the reporting entity’s own consumption but occur at sources owned or controlled by another entity.

(5) SCOPE 3 EMISSIONS.—The term “Scope 3 emissions” means greenhouse gas emissions, other than those that are Scope 2 emissions, that are a consequence of the operations of the reporting entity but occur at sources other than those owned or controlled by the entity.

(b) PROHIBITION ON DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary of Defense may not require the recipient of a Federal contract to provide a greenhouse gas inventory or to provide any other report on greenhouse gas emissions, including Scope 1 emissions, Scope 2 emissions, or Scope 3 emissions.

SA 6532. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 2193, strike line 1 and all that follows through page 2238, line 3.

SA 6533. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title VII, add the following:

SEC. 725. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT MEMORANDUM RELATING TO REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE.

No funds appropriated pursuant to an authorization of appropriations under this Act may be used to carry out the memorandum of the Secretary of Defense dated October 20, 2022, relating to ensuring access to reproductive health care.

SA 6534. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end add the following:

SEC. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 1 day after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 6535. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6534 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “1” and insert “2”.

SA 6536. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end add the following:

SEC. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 4 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 6537. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6536 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “4” and insert “5”.

SA 6538. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6537 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the amendment SA 6536 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 1, strike “5” and insert “6”.

SA 6539. Mr. KAINE (for himself and Mr. YOUNG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 7776, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 1240A. REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATIONS FOR USE OF MILITARY FORCE AGAINST IRAQ.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution (Public Law 102-1; 105 Stat. 3; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), enacted on January 14, 1991 (in this preamble “the 1991 AUMF”), and the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Public Law 107-243; 116 Stat. 1498; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), enacted on October 16, 2002 (in this preamble “the 2002 AUMF”), currently remain valid law.

(2) Recent presidential administrations have maintained that the 2002 AUMF only serves to “reinforce” any legal authority to combat ISIS provided by the Authorization for Use of Military Force (Public Law 107-40; 115 Stat. 224; 50 U.S.C. 1541), enacted September 18, 2001, and is not independently required to authorize any such activities.

(3) Repealing the 1991 AUMF and the 2002 AUMF would therefore not affect ongoing United States military operations.

(4) Since 2014, United States military forces have operated in Iraq at the request of the Government of Iraq for the sole purpose of supporting its efforts to combat ISIS, consistent with the Strategic Framework Agreement that Iraq and the United States signed on November 17, 2008.

(5) During a press briefing on December 24, 2020, Commander of the United States Central Command, General Frank McKenzie, reiterated that United States forces are in Iraq “at their invitation”.

(6) Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken and Prime Minister Mustafa Al-Kadhimi of Iraq discussed “the Iraqi government’s responsibility and commitment to protect U.S. and Coalition personnel in Iraq at the government’s invitation to fight ISIS” in a February 16, 2021, phone call.

(7) Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III stated on February 19, 2021, that he “welcomed that expanded NATO mission in Iraq that responds to the desires and aspirations of the Iraqi government”.

(8) In a February 23, 2021, call with Prime Minister Mustafa Al-Kadhimi of Iraq, President Joseph R. Biden affirmed United States support for Iraq’s “sovereignty and independence”.

(9) Neither the 1991 AUMF nor the 2002 AUMF are being used as the sole legal basis for any detention of enemy combatants currently held by the United States.

(10) Authorizations for the use of military force that are no longer necessary should have a clear political and legal ending.

(b) **REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF MILITARY FORCE AGAINST IRAQ RESOLUTION.**—The Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution (Public Law 102-1; 105 Stat. 3; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note) is hereby repealed.

(c) **REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF MILITARY FORCE AGAINST IRAQ RESOLUTION OF 2002.**—The Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Public Law 107-243; 116 Stat. 1498; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note) is hereby repealed.

SA 6540. Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. BRAUN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

DIVISION E—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND TAX ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 101. RESCISSION OF CERTAIN FUNDS FOR ENHANCED INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE RESOURCES.

Effective on the date of enactment of this Act, the unobligated balances of the amounts made available under the following provisions of Public Law 117-169 are rescinded:

(1) **INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE ENFORCEMENT FUNDS.**—Section 10301(1)(A)(ii).

(2) **INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE OPERATIONS SUPPORT.**—Section 10301(1)(A)(iii).

SEC. 102. REPEAL OF MODIFICATIONS OF EXCEPTIONS FOR REPORTING OF THIRD PARTY NETWORK TRANSACTIONS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 6050W(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(e) **EXCEPTION FOR DE MINIMIS PAYMENTS BY THIRD PARTY SETTLEMENT ORGANIZATIONS.**—A third party settlement organization shall be required to report any information under subsection (a) with respect to third party network transactions of any participating payee only if—

“(1) the amount which would otherwise be reported under subsection (a)(2) with respect to such transactions exceeds \$20,000, and

“(2) the aggregate number of such transactions exceeds 200.”.

(b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by this section shall apply to returns for calendar years beginning after December 31, 2021.

SA 6541. Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. JOHNSON) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1437, to amend the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administra-

tion to provide comprehensive and regularly updated Federal precipitation information, and for other purposes; as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Further Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2023”.

SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short Title.

Sec. 2. Table of Contents.

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Sec. 4. Payment to Widows and Heirs of Deceased Members of Congress.

DIVISION A—FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023

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Title III—Extension of FDA Authorizations

Title IV—Indian Health

DIVISION D—PRECIP ACT

SEC. 3. REFERENCES.

Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to “this Act” contained in any division of this Act shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division.

SEC. 4. PAYMENT TO WIDOWS AND HEIRS OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.

There is hereby appropriated for fiscal year 2023, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for payment to Colette Wallace McEachin, beneficiary of Aston Donald McEachin, late a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia, \$174,000.

DIVISION A—FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023

SEC. 101. The Continuing Appropriations Act, 2023 (division A of Public Law 117-180) is amended—

(1) by striking the date specified in section 106(3) and inserting “March 10, 2023”;

(2) by adding after section 157 the following new section:

“SEC. 158. During the period covered by this Act, section 227(a) of the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1525) shall not apply.”.

This division may be cited as the “Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2023”.

DIVISION B—OTHER MATTERS

TITLE I—EXTENSIONS

SEC. 101. EXTENSION OF FCC AUCTION AUTHORITY.

Section 309(j)(11) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 309(j)(11)) is amended by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 102. EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR DOMESTIC TRAFFICKING VICTIMS’ FUND.

Section 3014(a) of title 18, United States Code, is amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 103. UNITED STATES PAROLE COMMISSION EXTENSION.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “United States Parole Commission Further Extension Act of 2022”.

(b) **AMENDMENT OF SENTENCING REFORM ACT OF 1984.**—For purposes of section 235(b) of the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984 (18 U.S.C. 3551 note; Public Law 98-473; 98 Stat.

2032), as such section relates to chapter 311 of title 18, United States Code, and the United States Parole Commission, each reference in such section to “35 years” or “35-year period” shall be deemed a reference to “35 years and 53 days” or “35-year and 53-day period”, respectively.

SEC. 104. EXTENSION OF COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION CUSTOMER PROTECTION FUND EXPENSES ACCOUNT.

Section 1(b) of Public Law 117-25 (135 Stat. 297), as amended by section 104 of division C of the Continuing Appropriations and Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023 is amended by striking “December 16, 2022” each place it appears and inserting “March 10, 2023”.

TITLE II—BUDGETARY MATTERS

SEC. 201. PAYGO REPORT.

Notwithstanding subsection (a) of section 5 of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (2 U.S.C. 934), the Office of Management and Budget shall make publicly available the annual PAYGO report required under such subsection for 2022 and prepare any order required under subsection (b) of such section not later than March 11, 2023.

DIVISION C—HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

TITLE I—MEDICARE AND MEDICAID

SEC. 101. EXTENSION OF INCREASED INPATIENT HOSPITAL PAYMENT ADJUSTMENT FOR CERTAIN LOW-VOLUME HOSPITALS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1886(d)(12) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(12)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (B), in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”;

(2) in subparagraph (C)(i)—

(A) in the matter preceding subclause (I), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”;

(B) in subclause (III), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”; and

(C) in subclause (IV), by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”; and

(3) in subparagraph (D)—

(A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”; and

(B) in clause (ii), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”.

(b) **IMPLEMENTATION.**—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Health and Human Services may implement the provisions of, including the amendments made by, this section by program instruction or otherwise.

SEC. 102. EXTENSION OF THE MEDICARE-DEPENDENT HOSPITAL PROGRAM.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1886(d)(5)(G) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(G)) is amended—

(1) in clause (i), by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”; and

(2) in clause (ii)(II), by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”.

(b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—

(1) **EXTENSION OF TARGET AMOUNTS.**—Section 1886(b)(3)(D) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(b)(3)(D)) is amended—

(A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”; and

(B) in clause (iv), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”.

(2) **PERMITTING HOSPITALS TO DECLINE RECLASSIFICATION.**—Section 13501(e)(2) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 1395ww note) is amended by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 103. EXTENSION OF INCREASED FMAPS UNDER MEDICAID FOR THE TERRITORIES.

Section 1905(ff) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(ff)) is amended—

- (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”; and
- (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 104. MEDICARE IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Section 1898(b)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395iii(b)(1)) is amended by striking “\$7,308,000,000” and inserting “\$7,278,000,000”.

TITLE II—HUMAN SERVICES

SEC. 201. EXTENSION OF MATERNAL, INFANT, AND EARLY CHILDHOOD HOME VISITING PROGRAMS.

Activities authorized by section 511 of the Social Security Act shall continue through March 10, 2023, and out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, there is hereby appropriated for such purpose an amount equal to the pro rata portion of the amount appropriated for such activities for fiscal year 2022.

SEC. 202. EXTENSION OF CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAMS.

Activities authorized by part B of title IV of the Social Security Act shall continue through March 10, 2023, in the manner authorized for fiscal year 2022, and out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, there are hereby appropriated such sums as may be necessary for such purpose.

TITLE III—EXTENSION OF FDA AUTHORIZATIONS

SEC. 301. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE CRITICAL PATH PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP.

Section 566(f) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360bbb-5(f)) is amended by striking “\$1,265,753 for the period beginning on October 1, 2022 and ending on December 16, 2022” and inserting “\$2,646,574 for the period beginning on October 1, 2022 and ending on March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 302. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE BEST PHARMACEUTICALS FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM.

Section 409I(d)(1) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 284m(d)(1)) is amended by striking “\$5,273,973 for the period beginning on October 1, 2022 and ending on December 16, 2022” and inserting “\$11,027,398 for the period beginning on October 1, 2022 and ending on March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 303. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE HUMANITARIAN DEVICE EXEMPTION INCENTIVE.

Section 520(m)(6)(A)(iv) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360j(m)(6)(A)(iv)) is amended by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”.

SEC. 304. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE PEDIATRIC DEVICE CONSORTIA PROGRAM.

Section 305(e) of the Pediatric Medical Device Safety and Improvement Act of 2007 (Public Law 110-85; 42 U.S.C. 282 note) is amended by striking “\$1,107,534 for the period beginning on October 1, 2022, and ending on December 16, 2022” and inserting “\$2,315,753 for the period beginning on October 1, 2022 and ending on March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 305. REAUTHORIZATION OF PROVISION PERTAINING TO DRUGS CONTAINING SINGLE ENANTIOMERS.

Section 505(u)(4) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355(u)(4)) is amended by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”.

SEC. 306. REAUTHORIZATION OF CERTAIN DEVICE INSPECTIONS.

Section 704(g)(11) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 374(g)(11))

is amended by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”.

SEC. 307. REAUTHORIZATION OF ORPHAN DRUG GRANTS.

Section 5(c) of the Orphan Drug Act (21 U.S.C. 360ee(c)) is amended by striking “\$6,328,767 for the period beginning on October 1, 2022, and ending on December 16, 2022” and inserting “\$13,232,876 for the period beginning on October 1, 2022 and ending on March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 308. REAUTHORIZATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO PENDING GENERIC DRUG APPLICATIONS AND PRIORITY REVIEW APPLICATIONS.

Section 807 of the FDA Reauthorization Act of 2017 (Public Law 115-52) is amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 10, 2023”.

SEC. 309. REAUTHORIZATION OF THIRD-PARTY REVIEW PROGRAM.

Section 523(c) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360m(c)) is amended by striking “December 17, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”.

TITLE IV—INDIAN HEALTH

SEC. 401. EXTENSION OF MORATORIUM.

Section 424(a) of title IV of division G of Public Law 113-76 is amended by striking “December 16, 2022” and inserting “March 11, 2023”.

DIVISION D—PRECIP ACT

SEC. 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Providing Research and Estimates of Changes In Precipitation Act” or the “PRECIP Act”.

SEC. 2. AMENDMENT TO THE WEATHER RESEARCH AND FORECASTING INNOVATION ACT OF 2017 RELATING TO IMPROVING FEDERAL PRECIPITATION INFORMATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 (15 U.S.C. 8501 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“TITLE VI—IMPROVING FEDERAL PRECIPITATION INFORMATION

“SEC. 601. STUDY ON PRECIPITATION ESTIMATION.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of the PRECIP Act, the Administrator, in consultation with other Federal agencies as appropriate, shall seek to enter an agreement with the National Academies—

“(1) to conduct a study on the state of practice and research needs for precipitation estimation, including probable maximum precipitation estimation; and

“(2) to submit, not later than 24 months after the date on which such agreement is finalized, to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, and make publicly available on a website, a report on the results of the study under paragraph (1).

“(b) STUDY.—The report under subsection (a) shall include the following:

“(1) An examination of the current state of practice for precipitation estimation at scales appropriate for decisionmaker needs, and rationale for further evolution of this field.

“(2) An evaluation of best practices for precipitation estimation that are based on the best-available science, include considerations of non-stationarity, and can be utilized by the user community.

“(3) A framework for—

“(A) the development of a National Guidance Document for estimating extreme precipitation in future conditions; and

“(B) evaluation of the strengths and challenges of the full spectrum of approaches, in-

cluding for probable maximum precipitation studies.

“(4) A description of existing research needs in the field of precipitation estimation in order to modernize current methodologies and consider non-stationarity.

“(5) A description of in-situ, airborne, and space-based observation requirements, that could enhance precipitation estimation and development of models, including an examination of the use of geographic information systems and geospatial technology for integration, analysis, and visualization of precipitation data.

“(6) A recommended plan for a Federal research and development program, including specifications for costs, timeframes, and responsible agencies for addressing identified research needs.

“(7) An analysis of the respective roles in precipitation estimation of various Federal agencies, academia, State, tribal, territorial, and local governments, and other public and private stakeholders.

“(8) Recommendations for data management to promote long-term needs such as enabling retrospective analyses and data discoverability, interoperability, and reuse.

“(9) Recommendations for how data and services from the entire enterprise can be best leveraged by the Federal Government.

“(10) A description of non-Federal precipitation data, its accessibility by the Federal Government, and ways for National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to improve or expand such datasets.

“(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized \$1,500,000 to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to carry out this study.

“SEC. 602. IMPROVING PROBABLE MAXIMUM PRECIPITATION ESTIMATES.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date on which the National Academies makes public the report under section 601, the Administrator, in consideration of the report recommendations, shall consult with relevant partners, including users of the data, on the development of a plan to—

“(1) not later than 6 years after the completion of such report and not less than every 10 years thereafter, update probable maximum precipitation estimates for the United States, such that each update considers non-stationarity;

“(2) coordinate with partners to conduct research in the field of extreme precipitation estimation, in accordance with the research needs identified in such report;

“(3) make publicly available, in a searchable, interoperable format, all probable maximum precipitation studies developed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration that the Administrator has the legal right to redistribute and deemed to be at an appropriate state of development on an internet website of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and

“(4) ensure all probable maximum precipitation estimate data, products, and supporting documentation and metadata developed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration are preserved, curated, and served by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, as appropriate.

“(b) NATIONAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROBABLE MAXIMUM PRECIPITATION ESTIMATES.—The Administrator, in collaboration with Federal agencies, State, territorial, Tribal and local governments, academia, and other partners the Administrator deems appropriate, shall develop a National Guidance Document that—

“(1) provides best practices that can be followed by Federal and State regulatory agencies, private meteorological consultants, and