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(2) such State or territory requires certification of sanitization that is signed by a veterinarian who is licensed in the State or territory, and approved by the State or territory agency in charge of regulating the sale of pet turtles; and

(3) the certification of sanitization requires each turtle to be sanitized or treated for diatomella, and is dependent upon using the Siebeling method, or other such proven method, which uses an antibiotic to make the turtle salmonella-free; and

and

(4) the turtle farmer or commercial retail seller includes, with the sale of such a turtle, a disclosure to the buyer that includes—

(A) information regarding—

(i) the possibility that salmonella can colonize in turtles;

(ii) the dangers, including possible severe illness or death, especially for at-risk people who may be susceptible to salmonella poisoning, such as children, pregnant women, and others who may have weak immune systems, that could result if the turtle is not properly handled and safely maintained;

(iii) the proper handling of the turtle, including an explanation of proper hygiene such as handwashing after handling a turtle; and

(iv) the proven methods of treatment that, if properly applied, keep the turtle safe from salmonella;

(B) a detailed explanation of how to properly treat the turtle to keep it safe from salmonella, using the proven methods of treatment referred to under subparagraph (A), and how the buyer can continue to purchase the tools, treatments, or any other required item to continually treat the turtle; and

(C) a statement that buyers of pet turtles should not abandon the turtle or abandon it outside, as the turtle may become an invasive species to the local community, but should either return them to a commercial retail pet seller or other organization that would accept turtles no longer wanted as pets.

(b) FDA REVIEW OF STATE PROTECTIONS.—The Food and Drug Administration may, after providing an opportunity for the affected State to respond, restrict the sale of a turtle only if the Secretary of Health and Human Services determines that the actual implementation of State health protections described in subparagraph (a) are insufficient to protect consumers against infectious diseases acquired from such turtles at the time of sale.

SA 1005. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1082, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to reauthorize and amend the prescription drug user fee provisions, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. 2. SAFETY OF FOOD ADDITIVES.

Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Food and Drug Administration shall issue a report on the question of substances used in such meat that are capable of artificially keeping such meat red beyond the point of spoilage of such meat, create a health risk or are misleading to consumers.

SA 1006. Ms. MURKOWSKI submitted an amendment to the bill S. 1082, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to reauthorize and amend the prescription drug user fee provisions, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 565(o)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as added by section 202 of the bill, insert the following:

"(H) In a case where a drug may be prescribed only by a physician with particular training or experience, or who is specially certified, a pharmacist, provider who is not so certified or trained to prescribe the drug may enter into a cooperation plan with a pharmacist who has particular training or experience. The pharmacist must agree to prescribe such drug with the informed consent of the patient. The Commissioner of Food and Drugs shall determine the requirements for such cooperation plan."

SA 1007. Mr. REID (for Mr. BUNNING) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 162, commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers; as follows:

On page 2, strike the first whereas clause and insert:

WHEREAS peace officers are on the front lines in protecting the schools and schoolchildren of the United States;

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry be authorized to conduct a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, May 1, 2007 at 2 p.m. in 328A, Senate Russell Office Building. The purpose of this Committee hearing will be to consider conservation policy recommendations for the farm bill.

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, May 1, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. in room 226, Dirksen Senate Office Building. The purpose of the hearing is to examine Electronic On-Board Recorders (EOBRs) and Truck Driver Fatigue, and related regulations to be issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

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

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, May 1, 2007, at 2:30 p.m., in open session to receive testimony on Department of Defense Transportation programs in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2008 and the future years defense program.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 1, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. REED. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Jessica Gerrity, a law clerk in my office, be accorded the privilege of the floor.

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

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Adam Sandler, an intern on my staff, be granted floor privileges during the debate on the Food and Drug Administration Reauthorization Act.

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

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Remy Yucel, a fellow in my staff, be granted the privilege of the floor for the pendency of the consideration of S. 1082, including any conference report.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.