

Whereas, studies like eating out with obesity and higher caloric intakes. Foods that people eat from restaurants and other food-service establishments are generally higher in calories and saturated fat and lower in nutrients, such as calcium and fiber, than home-prepared foods; and

Whereas, while nutrition labeling is currently required on most packaged foods, this information is required only for restaurant foods for which nutrient content or health claims are made; and

Whereas, three-quarters of American adults report using food labels on packaged foods, which are required by the Nutrition Labeling and Education Act and went into effect in 1994. Using food labels is associated with eating healthier diets, and approximately 48 percent of people report that the nutrition information on food labels has caused them to change their minds about buying a food product. Research shows that people make healthier choices when restaurants provide point-of-purchase nutrition information; and

Whereas, it is difficult for consumers to limit their intake of calories at restaurants, given the limited availability of nutrition information, as well as the popular practice by many restaurants of providing foods in larger-than-standard servings and 'super-sized' portions; and

Whereas, the enacting of a federal Meal Act would provide all Americans valuable additional nutritional information that will best equip individuals and allow them to make healthy choices when they are consuming prepared foods outside of the home: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

Section 1. The Senate of the Commonwealth of Kentucky hereby urges the 111th United States Congress to enact a federal Menu Education and Labeling (Meal) Act.

Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Clerk of the United States Senate and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 303. A bill to reauthorize and improve the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999 (Rept. No. 111-7).

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. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. KYL, Mr. CORKER, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. VITTER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. JOHANNIS, Mr. MARTINEZ, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 567. A bill to repeal the sunset on the reduction of capital gains rates for individuals and on the taxation of dividends of individuals at capital gains rates; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CRAPO:

S. 568. A bill for the relief of Sali Bregaj and Mjaftime Bregaj; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 569. A bill to ensure that persons who form corporations in the United States disclose the beneficial owners of those corporations, in order to prevent wrongdoers from exploiting United States corporations for criminal gain, to assist law enforcement in detecting, preventing, and punishing terrorism, money laundering, and other misconduct involving United States corporations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ENZI, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. BOND):

S. 570. A bill to stimulate the economy and create jobs at no cost to the taxpayers, and without borrowing money from foreign governments for which our children and grandchildren will be responsible, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. DODD):

S. 571. A bill to strengthen the Nation's research efforts to identify the causes and cure of psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis, expand psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis data collection, and study access to and quality of care for people with psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WEBB (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 572. A bill to provide for the issuance of a "forever stamp" to honor the sacrifices of the brave men and women of the armed forces who have been awarded the Purple Heart; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 573. A bill to improve the efficiency of customs and other services at the Wild Horse, Montana port of entry; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 574. A bill to enhance citizen access to Government information and services by establishing that Government documents issued to the public must be written clearly, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. SPECTER):

S. 575. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to develop plans and targets for States and metropolitan planning organizations to develop plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 69

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 69, a bill to establish a fact-finding Commission to extend the study of a prior Commission to investigate and determine facts and circumstances surrounding the relocation, internment, and deportation to Axis countries of Latin Americans of Japanese descent from December 1941

through February 1948, and the impact of those actions by the United States, and to recommend appropriate remedies, and for other purposes.

S. 211

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) were added as cosponsors of S. 211, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of 2-1-1 telephone service for information and referral on human services and volunteer services, and for other purposes.

S. 388

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 388, a bill to extend the termination date for the exemption of returning workers from the numerical limitations for temporary workers.

S. 416

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 416, a bill to limit the use of cluster munitions.

S. 423

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of S. 423, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize advance appropriations for certain medical care accounts of the Department of Veterans Affairs by providing two-fiscal year budget authority, and for other purposes.

S. 428

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 428, a bill to allow travel between the United States and Cuba.

S. 488

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 488, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require group and individual health insurance coverage and group health plans to provide coverage for individuals participating in approved cancer clinical trials.

S. 503

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) were added as cosponsors of S. 503, a bill to authorize the exploration, leasing, development, and production of oil and gas in and from the western portion of the Coastal Plain of the State of Alaska without surface occupancy, and for other purposes.

S. 527

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Missouri