

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. Res. 87. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the Nation during Public Service Recognition Week, May 4 through 10, 2009.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. AKAKA for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

*Ladda Tammy Duckworth, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs).

*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.

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. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. BROWN):

S. 829. A bill to provide a Federal income tax credit for Patriot employers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE:

S. 830. A bill to modify the definition of children's hospital for purposes of making payments to children's hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 831. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to include service after September 11, 2001, as service qualifying for the determination of a reduced eligibility age for receipt of non-regular service retired pay; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DODD, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. INOUE, and Mr. JOHANNIS):

S. 832. A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to grant a Federal charter to the Military Officers Association of America, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 833. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to permit States the option to provide Medicaid coverage for low-income individuals infected with HIV; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SESSIONS:

S. 834. A bill to require that funding for Federal departments and agencies and programs that remain available at the end of a fiscal year shall be used to pay down the Federal debt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. THUNE, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 835. A bill to require automobile manufacturers to ensure that not less than 80 percent of the automobiles manufactured or sold in the United States by each such manufacturer to operate on fuel mixtures containing 85 percent ethanol, 85 percent methanol, or biodiesel; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 836. A bill to provide enhanced authority to the Congressional Oversight Panel established pursuant to the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. COBURN):

S. 837. A bill to require that North Korea be listed as a state sponsor of terrorism, to ensure that human rights is a prominent issue in negotiations between the United States and North Korea, and for other purposes; 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. DODD (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BAYH, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. Res. 104. A resolution designating the third week of April 2009 as "National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. DODD, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. INOUE, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. HATCH, Mr. GREGG, Mr. BROWN, and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. Res. 105. A resolution designating April 24 through 26, 2009, as "Global Youth Service Days"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 21

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 21, a bill to reduce unintended pregnancy, reduce abortions, and improve access to women's health care.

S. 46

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the names of the Senator from Mississippi

(Mr. WICKER) and the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) were added as cosponsors of S. 46, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 167

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 167, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to enhance the COPS ON THE BEAT grant program, and for other purposes.

S. 244

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 244, a bill to expand programs of early childhood home visitation that increase school readiness, child abuse and neglect prevention, and early identification of developmental and health delays, including potential mental health concerns, and for other purposes.

S. 245

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 245, a bill to expand, train, and support all sectors of the health care workforce to care for the growing population of older individuals in the United States.

S. 251

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 251, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to permit targeted interference with mobile radio services within prison facilities.

S. 307

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 307, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide flexibility in the manner in which beds are counted for purposes of determining whether a hospital may be designated as a critical access hospital under the Medicare program and to exempt from the critical access hospital inpatient bed limitation the number of beds provided for certain veterans.

S. 386

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 386, a bill to improve enforcement of mortgage fraud, securities fraud, financial institution fraud, and other frauds related to federal assistance and relief