

Whereas, Congressman Chris Cannon and Congressman Jim Matheson joined 114 others to co-sponsor HB 1492;

Whereas, Senator Daniel Inouye introduced S1719 as a companion bill to HB 1492, along with five co-sponsors, including Senator Bob Bennett and Senator Orrin Hatch; and

Whereas, in 2007 the National Park Service declared the Topaz site to be Utah's thirteenth National Historic Landmark: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah expresses support for the Topaz Museum Board's effort to preserve and protect the site of the Topaz Internment Camp, to build a museum and civil liberties learning center in Delta, Utah, and to educate all citizens about Japanese American internment history, especially Topaz, through artifacts, exhibits, and oral histories; be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Topaz Museum Board, former Congressman Chris Cannon, Senator Daniel Inouye, and the members of Utah's Congressional Delegation.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. DODD for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

*Herbert M. Allison, Jr., of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

*Mercedes Marquez, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

By Mrs. BOXER for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

*Peter Silva Silva, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

*Victor M. Mendez, of Arizona, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration.

*Stephen Alan Owens, of Arizona, to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances of the Environmental Protection Agency.

By Mr. DODD for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*Howard K. Koh, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

*Laurie I. Mikva, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2010.

*Martha J. Kanter, of California, to be Under Secretary of Education.

*Jane Oates, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

*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. JOHANNIS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BOND, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. KYL, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. VITTER,

Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BENNETT, and Mr. DEMINT):

S. 1223. A bill to require prior Congressional approval of emergency funding resulting in Government ownership of private entities; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. WEBB):

S. 1224. A bill to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 1225. A bill to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to take certain actions to prevent the manipulation of energy markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. BENNETT, and Mr. SPECTER):

S. 1226. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to improve paperless enrollment and efficiency for the national school lunch and school breakfast programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. DeMINT (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BUNNING, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 1227. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to protect employer rights; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 1228. A bill to amend chapter 63 of title 5, United States Code, to modify the rate of accrual of annual leave for administrative law judges, contract appeals board members, and immigration judges; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 1229. A bill to reauthorize and improve the entrepreneurial development programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. BUNNING, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 1230. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a Federal income tax credit for certain home purchases; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD:

S. 1231. A bill to create or adopt, and implement, rigorous and voluntary American education content standards in mathematics and science covering kindergarten through grade 12, to provide for the assessment of student proficiency benchmarked against such standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MCCAIN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BROWN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. INOUE, Mr. TESTER, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. SPECTER, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 1232. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the importation of prescription drugs, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 1233. A bill to reauthorize and improve the SBIR and STTR programs and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. Res. 181. A resolution designating June 10, 2009, as "National Pipeline Safety Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. DEMINT):

S. Res. 182. A resolution recognizing the democratic accomplishments of the people of Albania and expressing the hope that the parliamentary elections on June 28, 2009, maintain and improve the transparency and fairness of democracy in Albania; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 211

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, his name was added as a cosponsor 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. 244

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) 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. 292

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 292, a bill to repeal the imposition of withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities.

S. 423

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor 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. 486

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 486, a bill to achieve access to comprehensive primary health care services for all Americans and to reform the organization of primary care delivery through an expansion of the