

countless domestic response missions, including missions in response to hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, and forest fires;

Whereas during the Cold War, the National Guard was regarded as a Strategic Reserve to be held in case of a Soviet invasion of Europe, yet, since 9/11, the National Guard and the Federal Reserves have made the transition to an Operational Reserve, in constant use and rotation for missions at home and abroad;

Whereas the Operational Reserve has time and again demonstrated its readiness to meet operational requirements, and its mission- and cost-effectiveness and volunteerism are the heart of modern United States military service;

Whereas the Operational Reserve must be sustained by a fully-manned and fully-funded National Guard in the spirit intended by the Framers and enshrined in Article I of the Constitution; and

Whereas the Air Force, in its fiscal year 2013 budget, has advanced a proposal to convert the Air National Guard from the Operational Reserve to the Strategic Reserve of yesteryear: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—*

(1) recognizes the critical importance of the Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces, particularly as a means of preserving combat power during a time of budget austerity;

(2) supports making permanent the Operational Reserve as the cornerstone of military manpower in the decades to come;

(3) repudiates proposals to return the Reserve Components to a diminished or purely strategic role in United States national security;

(4) affirms the growth of the Operational Reserve as circumstances warrant; and

(5) recognizes the dual-status, State-Federal National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve and of military manpower now and in the future.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 2344. Mr. MENENDEZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2345. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Ms. AYOTTE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2346. Mr. GRAHAM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2347. Mr. NELSON of Nebraska submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2348. Mr. NELSON of Nebraska submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2349. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2350. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2351. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2352. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him

to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2353. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2354. Mr. KYL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2355. Mr. BOOZMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2356. Mr. BOOZMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2357. Mr. BOOZMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2358. Mr. BOOZMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2359. Mr. BOOZMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2360. Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. JOHANNIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2361. Mr. BOOZMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2362. Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. KERRY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2363. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2364. Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2365. Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2366. Mrs. HAGAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2367. Mrs. HAGAN (for herself, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. VITTER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2368. Mrs. GILLIBRAND submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2369. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2370. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2371. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2372. Mr. JOHANNIS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2373. Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. TESTER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2374. Mr. DEMINT submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2375. Mr. MENENDEZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2376. Mr. TOOMEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2377. Mr. TOOMEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 2379. Mr. TOOMEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2380. Mr. CRAPO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2381. Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2382. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. KERRY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2383. Mr. COCHRAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2384. Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. COONS, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WEBB) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2385. Mr. TESTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2386. Mr. SANDERS (for himself and Mr. LEAHY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2387. Mr. BOOZMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2388. Mr. WYDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2389. Mr. REID (for Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. ROBERTS)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 3240, supra.

SA 2390. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2389 proposed by Mr. REID (for Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. ROBERTS)) to the bill S. 3240, supra.

SA 2391. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to the bill S. 3240, supra.

SA 2392. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2391 proposed by Mr. REID to the bill S. 3240, supra.

SA 2393. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2392 proposed by Mr. REID

to the amendment SA 2391 proposed by Mr. REID to the bill S. 3240, supra.

SA 2394. Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. LEE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2395. Mr. AKAKA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2396. Mr. AKAKA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2397. Mr. AKAKA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2398. Mr. AKAKA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2399. Mr. LEAHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2400. Mr. LEAHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2343 submitted by Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) and intended to be proposed to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2401. Mr. UDALL of Colorado submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2402. Mr. MORAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2403. Mr. MORAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 2344.** Mr. MENENDEZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 361, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

##### **SEC. 4208. LEAN FINELY TEXTURED BEEF.**

(a) **SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS.**—Section 14 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1762a) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(i) **LEAN FINELY TEXTURED BEEF.**—The Secretary shall give States and school food authorities the option to purchase and receive meat and meat food products that do not contain low-temperature rendered product, also known as lean finely textured beef (as defined by the Secretary), for use in school meal programs under this Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.).”

(b) **LABELING.**—Section 1(n) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601(n)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (11), by striking “or” at the end;

(2) in paragraph (12), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or” and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(13) if in a package or other container and at the final point of sale the meat or meat food product contains low-temperature rendered product, also known as lean finely textured beef (as defined by the Secretary), unless the package or other container bears a label stating that the meat or meat food product contains the low-temperature rendered product.”

**SA 2345.** Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Ms. AYOTTE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 361, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

##### **SEC. 4208. DIETARY GUIDELINES FOR AMERICANS.**

Section 301(a) of the National Nutrition Monitoring and Related Research Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5341(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(3) **PREGNANT WOMEN AND YOUNG CHILDREN.**—Not later than the 2020 report and in each report thereafter, the Secretaries shall include national nutritional and dietary information and guidelines for pregnant women and children from birth until the age of 2.”

**SA 2346.** Mr. GRAHAM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3240, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, 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. 12205. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON NUCLEAR PROGRAM OF IRAN.**

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

(1) Since at least the late 1980s, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has engaged in a sustained and well-documented pattern of illicit and deceptive activities to acquire nuclear capability.

(2) The United Nations Security Council has adopted multiple resolutions since 2006 demanding the full and sustained suspension of all uranium enrichment-related and reprocessing activities by the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and its full cooperation with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) on all outstanding issues related to its nuclear activities, particularly those concerning the possible military dimensions of its nuclear program.

(3) On November 8, 2011, the IAEA issued an extensive report that—

(A) documents “serious concerns regarding possible military dimensions to Iran’s nuclear programme”;

(B) states that “Iran has carried out activities relevant to the development of a nuclear device”; and

(C) states that the efforts described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) may be ongoing.

(4) As of November 2008, Iran had produced, according to the IAEA—

(A) approximately 630 kilograms of uranium hexafluoride enriched up to 3.5 percent uranium-235; and

(B) no uranium hexafluoride enriched up to 20 percent uranium-235.

(5) As of November 2011, Iran had produced, according to the IAEA—

(A) nearly 5,000 kilograms of uranium hexafluoride enriched up to 3.5 percent uranium-235; and

(B) 79.7 kilograms of uranium hexafluoride enriched up to 20 percent uranium-235.

(6) On January 9, 2012, IAEA inspectors confirmed that the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran had begun enrichment activities at the Fordow site, including possibly enrichment of uranium hexafluoride up to 20 percent uranium-235.

(7) Section 2(2) of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-195) states, “The United States and other responsible coun-

tries have a vital interest in working together to prevent the Government of Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapons capability.”

(8) If the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran were successful in acquiring a nuclear weapon capability, it would likely spur other countries in the region to consider developing their own nuclear weapons capabilities.

(9) On December 6, 2011, Prince Turki al-Faisal of Saudi Arabia stated that if international efforts to prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons fail, “we must, as a duty to our country and people, look into all options we are given, including obtaining these weapons ourselves”.

(10) Top leaders of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran have repeatedly threatened the existence of the State of Israel, pledging to “wipe Israel off the map”.

(11) The Department of State has designated Iran as a state sponsor of terrorism since 1984 and characterized Iran as the “most active state sponsor of terrorism”.

(12) The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has provided weapons, training, funding, and direction to terrorist groups, including Hamas, Hezbollah, and Shiite militias in Iraq that are responsible for the murders of hundreds of United States forces and innocent civilians.

(13) On July 28, 2011, the Department of the Treasury charged that the Government of Iran had forged a “secret deal” with al Qaeda to facilitate the movement of al Qaeda fighters and funding through Iranian territory.

(14) In October 2011, senior leaders of Iran’s Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) Quds Force were implicated in a terrorist plot to assassinate Saudi Arabia’s Ambassador to the United States on United States soil.

(15) On December 26, 2011, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution denouncing the serious human rights abuses occurring in the Islamic Republic of Iran, including torture, cruel and degrading treatment in detention, the targeting of human rights defenders, violence against women, and “the systematic and serious restrictions on freedom of peaceful assembly” as well as severe restrictions on the rights to “freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief”.

(16) President Barack Obama, through the P5+1 process, has made repeated efforts to engage the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran in dialogue about Iran’s nuclear program and its international commitments under the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, done at Washington, London, and Moscow July 1, 1968, and entered into force March 5, 1970 (commonly known as the “Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty”).

(17) Representatives of the P5+1 countries (the United States, France, Germany, the People’s Republic of China, the Russian Federation, and the United Kingdom) and representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran held negotiations on Iran’s nuclear program in Istanbul, Turkey on April 14, 2012, and these discussions are set to resume in Baghdad, Iraq on May 23, 2012.

(18) On March 31, 2010, President Obama stated that the “consequences of a nuclear-armed Iran are unacceptable”.

(19) In his State of the Union Address on January 24, 2012, President Obama stated, “Let there be no doubt: America is determined to prevent Iran from getting a nuclear weapon, and I will take no options off the table to achieve that goal.”

(20) On March 4, 2012, President Obama stated “Iran’s leaders should understand that I do not have a policy of containment; I have a policy to prevent Iran from obtaining a nuclear weapon”.