

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT DEPOE III

• Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, today I wish to honor Robert DePoe III on recently becoming the new president of Salish Kootenai College in Pablo, MT. Robert was born in Polson, MT and was 2-years-old when Salish Kootenai College was founded in 1977. Robert spent his entire childhood on the Flathead Reservation in Montana's Mission Valley, graduating from high school in Ronan in 1993.

After attending North Idaho College, Robert returned home and worked at a local mill before going on a church mission that led him to Southern Utah University. At Southern Utah, Robert earned his bachelor's degree in criminal justice before becoming a social worker with the Paiute Tribe of Utah. At 27, Robert became education director and served as an advisor and chairman of the Coalition of Minorities to the Utah State Board of Education. From there, Robert's ascent continued, and he went on to earn his master's degree in professional communication.

Now, at 38, Robert is returning home again to lead Salish Kootenai College. Robert will take over a job recently vacated by Luana Ross. Prior to Luana, the position was held exclusively by the founding president of over 30 years, Joe McDonald. Joe is a legend in higher education. Under his leadership, Salish Kootenai College became one of the premier tribal colleges in the Nation.

During Joe's 38-year tenure, Salish Kootenai transformed from a campus extension for a local community college to educating over 1,000 Native students. While Robert has big shoes to fill, I know he is ready for the challenge. And he has a capable faculty and eager students to make his task a little easier.

I wish good luck to Robert and to Salish Kootenai College as they continue to honor the heritage of the Salish and Kootenai while preparing our future leaders of Montana. •

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:01 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, an-

nounced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1965. An act to streamline and ensure onshore energy permitting, provide for onshore leasing certainty, and give certainty to oil shale development for American energy security, economic development, and job creation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2728. An act to recognize States' authority to regulate oil and gas operations and promote American energy security, development, and job creation.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 1752. A bill to reform procedures for determinations to proceed to trial by court-martial for certain offenses under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, and for other purposes.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

H.R. 1965. An act to streamline and ensure onshore energy permitting, provide for onshore leasing certainty, and give certainty to oil shale development for American energy security, economic development, and job creation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2728. An act to recognize States' authority to regulate oil and gas operations and promote American energy security, development, and job creation.

S. 1774. A bill to reauthorize the Undetectable Firearms Act of 1988 for 1 year.

S. 1775. A bill to improve the sexual assault prevention and response programs and activities of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, November 21, 2013, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 252. An act to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity, and for other purposes.

S. 1545. An act to extend authorities related to global HIV/AIDS and to promote oversight of United States programs.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3658. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2012 Superfund Five-Year Review Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3659. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Material Control and Accounting Regulations" (RIN3150-AI61) received during

adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3660. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Species; Delisting of the Eastern District Population Segment of Steller Sea Lion Under the Endangered Species Act; Amendment to Special Protection Measures for Endangered Marine Mammals" (RIN0648-BB41) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 14, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3661. A communication from the Chief of the Recovery and Delisting Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the Magazine Mountain Shagreen from the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-AX59) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3662. A communication from the Chief of the Foreign Species Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing Five Foreign Bird Species in Colombia and Ecuador, South America, as Endangered Throughout Their Range" (RIN1018-AV75) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3663. A communication from the Chief of the Endangered Species Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Endangered Species Status for the Mount Charleston Blue Butterfly" (RIN1018-AY52) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3664. A communication from the Chief of the Permits and Regulations Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Provisions; Revised List of Migratory Birds" (RIN1018-AX48) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2013; and Environment and Public Works.

EC-3665. A communication from the Chief of the Permits and Regulations Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting; Application for Approval of Copper-Clad Iron Shot and Fluoropolymer Shot Coatings as Nontoxic for Waterfowl Hunting" (RIN1018-AY61, RIN1018-AY66) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3666. A communication from the Chief of the Permits and Regulations Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Permits; Depredation Order for Migratory Birds in California" (RIN1018-AY65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.