

as chief of staff at the Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital.

As a Somerset doctor, he provided care to over 10,000 patient families and was named "Citizen Physician of the Year" by the Kentucky Academy of Family Practice. He previously practiced medicine in Berea, KY, McKee, KY, and in Norfolk, VA with the U.S. Navy.

Dr. Crase was elected to the Kentucky Senate in 1994 and became well known for his dedication to constituent service. After retiring from his medical practice, he helped create ClubMD, a healthcare clinic that focused on improving the patient experience.

Dr. Crase was deeply involved with the community and committed to volunteer service with many organizations, including the Lake Cumberland Lincoln Club, the Lake Cumberland Performing Arts, the Kentucky Medical Association, the Berea College Board of Trustees, the Somerset Community College Athletic Directorship, the First Presbyterian Church of Somerset, the Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital, the Pulaski Civil War Round Table, and the United Way.

Elaine and I wish to send our deepest condolences to Dr. Crase's family and many beloved friends during their time of grief. Dr. Crase was a friend, a caring and empathetic physician, and a devoted public servant. The Commonwealth of Kentucky is poorer for his loss.

An area publication, the Lexington Herald-Leader, published an article detailing the life and career of Dr. James Crase. I ask unanimous consent that said article be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

[From the Lexington Herald-Leader, June 1, 2016]

LONGTIME SOMERSET PHYSICIAN JAMES CRASE
DIES AT 78
(By Bill Estep)

James D. Crase, a longtime Somerset physician who served a partial term in the state Senate, died May 28. The Letcher County native was 78.

Crase was a U.S. Navy veteran who worked as a physician for 53 years, including more than 40 years in Somerset, where he served as chief of staff of the Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital and an elder at First Presbyterian Church.

Crase's obituary said he was proud to have provided care to more than 10,000 families during his time in Somerset. The Kentucky Academy of Family Practice named Crase its Citizen Physician of the Year, the obituary said.

Crase, a small-government Republican, was elected to the state Senate in December 1994 to finish the term of a lawmaker who had been convicted in a corruption case.

Republicans control the Kentucky Senate now, but were in the minority then. In a newspaper commentary, Crase expressed some frustration about the relative lack of power of the minority, and with the legislative process.

"First, one must convince his or her own party to support the measure. Then comes the dubious chore of convincing the opposing

party of its merits, thus the trades—you vote for mine, I'll smile upon yours," Crase wrote.

He did not seek election to a full term in 1996.

U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said in a statement Wednesday said Crase will be missed.

"As a veteran and former state senator, Dr. Crase was well-respected in the community and worked tirelessly to improve the lives of his constituents," McConnell said.

Crase is survived by three children.

(At the request of Mr. REID, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

VOTE EXPLANATION

• Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I regret I was not present for the June 8, 2016, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the compound motion to go to conference on H.R. 2577, the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Military Construction and Veterans Affairs appropriations bill, and the Zika supplemental appropriations bill.

Had I been present, I would have voted yes on cloture. This bipartisan bill supports our Veterans, invests in our national infrastructure, and provides funding to address the Zika virus.

Additionally, I would have supported the Nelson motion to instruct conferees and opposed the Sullivan motion to instruct conferees. •

SECTION 2152 OF THE FEDERAL AVIATION REAUTHORIZATION BILL

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I wish to discuss the issue of preemption and ask to engage in a colloquy with Senators TILLIS and NELSON.

I come to the floor today to discuss the Federal Aviation Administration Reauthorization Act of 2016, which passed the Senate on April 19 by a vote of 95 to 3. This vote reflects the strong, bipartisan work that went into negotiating this bill, and I hope that the House will take it up.

However, there is unfinished business with this bill: the need to remove section 2152. This provision of the bill would preempt any State or local laws related to the operation, manufacture, design, testing, licensing, registration, certification, operation, or maintenance of an unmanned aircraft system including airspace, altitude, flight paths, equipment or technology requirements, purpose of operations, and pilot, operator, and observer qualifications, training, and certification.

This provision of the bill would be effective on the date of enactment prior to the FAA promulgating any regulations in these areas.

When this came to my attention, as a former mayor, I became very alarmed about the possible reach of this provision and how it might impact local communities, State parks, schools, infrastructure, and other areas with a strong State or local interest.

So I filed two amendments, and, ultimately, the managers of this bill—

Chairman THUNE and Ranking Member NELSON—agreed to accept an amendment to strike the provision from the underlying bill.

This is amendment No. 3704, filed by myself and Senator TILLIS, and cosponsored by Senators BLUMENTHAL, PERDUE, LEE, and MARKEY.

I would now like to yield, if I could, to my colleague from North Carolina, Mr. TILLIS.

Mr. TILLIS. As a former State legislator, I very much agree with what my colleague from California has said. In North Carolina, we worked hard to get the regulatory and legislative framework right for this new technology. In fact, we commissioned a legislative research committee to propose legislation and obtained input from stakeholders prior to the bill's passage. You see, not all wisdom resides at the Federal Government. Our system is designed to let States and localities weigh factors that bureaucrats in Washington might not consider, such as potential privacy concerns, law enforcement operations, search and rescue, natural disaster mitigation, infrastructure monitoring—the list goes on.

I would add that it was my understanding as well that Chairman THUNE and Ranking Member NELSON had graciously agreed to accept this amendment and that it had been cleared as part of a group of noncontroversial amendments. I was disappointed to see that package held up over a disagreement on unrelated matters between other Members. I am encouraged, however, by the chairman's and ranking members' commitment to continue addressing our concerns in conference committee.

Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, my distinguished colleague from North Carolina, Mr. TILLIS, is correct. Chairman THUNE and I did agree to accept this amendment as part of a package of 26 amendments agreed to by all but one of our colleagues.

While I am disappointed that these amendments could not clear the full Senate, including one that preserves certain State and local powers to deal with public safety concerns regarding drones, I will work with Chairman THUNE to address this and other issues in the conference committee once the House has acted.

REMEMBERING TERESA SCALZO

Mr. TOOMEY. Mr. President, today I wish to honor Ms. Teresa Scalzo, who recently passed away after a 23 year legal career focused on public service, supporting the victims of violence and sexual assault, and advancing the prosecution of those horrible crimes. After a battle with an aggressive cancer, Teresa passed away on Monday, May 23, 2016.

A native of Easton, PA, Teresa earned a law degree from Temple University School of Law in 1993. Over the next 23 years, she held numerous legal positions, all focused on giving victims