

the Agency and the Thrift Savings Plan; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2984. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2020-01; Introduction” ((48 CFR Chapter 1) (FAC 2020-01)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2985. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2020-01; Small Entity Compliance Guide” ((48 CFR Chapter 1) (FAC 2020-01)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2986. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2018-008; Definition of ‘Commercial Item’” ((48 CFR Chapter 2) (FAC 2020-01)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2987. A communication from the Register of Copyrights and Director, United States Copyright Office, Library of Congress, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Proposed Schedule and Analysis of Copyright Recordation Fee To Go into Effect Spring 2020”; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2988. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Solriamefetol in Schedule IV” ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-504)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 21, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2989. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Brexanolone in Schedule IV” ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-503)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 21, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2990. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Schedules of Controlled Substances: Temporary Placement of N-Ethylhexedrone, a-PHP, 4-MEAP, MPHP, PV8, and 4-Chloro-a-PVP in Schedule I” ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-495)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 21, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2991. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Listing of Noroxymorphone in the Code of Federal Regulations and Assignment of a Controlled Substances Code Number” ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-332)) received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on October 21, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-141. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan urging the United States Congress to allow jail and prison inmates to be eligible for Medicaid Coverage or to allow states to seek a waiver from the law; to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 93

Whereas, The Federal Medicaid Inmate Exclusion Policy (MIEP) prohibits the payment of federal Medicaid matching dollars for medical services provided to prison inmates. Medicaid will only cover the care an inmate receives in an inpatient hospital or medical institution; and

Whereas, Incarcerated individuals have been ineligible for Medicaid since the inception of the program in 1965. National prison populations have risen exponentially over the past several decades from approximately 200,000 when Medicaid began to over a million in county jails and state prisons currently; and

Whereas, The MIEP places a tremendous financial burden on states, counties, and local communities as hundreds of millions of dollars are spent annually for health care services provided in jails and prisons. Inmate health issues run the gamut from mental illness to chronic diseases, including diabetes, hypertension, kidney failure, and cancer. Furthermore, the health complexities of aging inmates increase health care costs, and

Whereas, The repeal of or a federal waiver from the exclusionary provision of MIEP would enable states and counties to seek federal matching funds for Medicaid-covered services. Furthermore, states that have expanded Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act would be reimbursed for at least 90 percent of their spending on prison health care; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That we urge the Congress of the United States to repeal the Medicaid Inmate Exclusion Policy to allow prison inmates to be eligible for Medicaid coverage or allow states to seek a waiver from the law; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

POM-142. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of California urging the United States Congress to enact robust bipartisan federal infrastructure legislation and address the shortfall in the federal Highway Trust Fund by restoring the lost purchasing power of the federal fuel tax; to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5

Whereas, California’s transportation infrastructure is aging and in serious need of repair, with more than 44 percent of major roads and highways considered in poor condition and another 25 percent rated mediocre; and

Whereas, This problem is even more acute in urban areas, where more than 53 percent of major roads and highways are in poor condition and 25 percent are rated mediocre; and

Whereas, California motorists spend in excess of \$22 billion annually in additional operating costs, more than \$843 per driver, as a result of driving on poorly maintained roads; and

Whereas, Increasing levels of traffic congestion are clogging urban freeways, impacting commutes and commerce, and costing Californians an estimated \$29 billion annually in wasted time and fuel; and

Whereas, With California’s population expected to grow to 48 million by 2040, substantial new investment in public transportation will be needed to improve mobility, reduce gridlock, and meet critical greenhouse gas reduction targets, yet the state’s transit agencies collectively face billions of dollars annually in capital and operating shortfalls; and

Whereas, These transit agencies face particularly acute regulatory challenges and funding shortfalls in providing vital paratransit services to the elderly, persons with disabilities, and others with special needs; and

Whereas, Freight transportation is critical to the economic vitality of the United States and robust investment in safe and efficient transportation facilities and infrastructure is essential to promoting strong economic growth in California and throughout the nation; and

Whereas, California serves as the nation’s gateway to international trade as the entry point for nearly one-fifth of the country’s imports, by far the largest share of any state, with the state’s vast network of land and seaports, truck routes, and rail lines transporting more than \$2.8 trillion in goods annually; and

Whereas, California’s freight system is responsible for the creation of 800,000 freight jobs and stimulates creation of millions of other jobs throughout the economy; and

Whereas, The California Legislature, having risen to meet this crisis by enacting the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Chapter 5 of the Statutes of 2017) to add more than \$5 billion annually in new transportation investment, depends on the federal government to provide its share of the resources needed to restore and enhance California’s highway, transit, and active transportation infrastructure for the generations to come; and

Whereas, For the past 25 years, the Congress of the United States has failed to take action to preserve or restore the purchasing power of the federal fuel tax or provide any alternate solution adequate to ensure sustained federal investment in the nation’s transportation system; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and the Assembly of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature urges the Congress and the President of the United States to work together to enact the robust bipartisan federal infrastructure legislation necessary to restore California’s and other states’ crumbling road and freight infrastructure, respond to growing traffic congestion, and increase investment in public transportation, most particularly, by expanding paratransit services for the elderly and those with special needs; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature urges the Congress and the President of the United States to address the shortfall in the federal Highway Trust Fund by restoring the lost purchasing power of the federal fuel tax in order to provide the long-term funding stability necessary for California and other states to rebuild infrastructure, invest in people through good, well-paying jobs, and strengthen the state’s and the nation’s economy; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the

President and Vice President of the United States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the Majority Leader of the Senate, and to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States.

POM-143. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of New Jersey condemning comments made by the President of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 155

Whereas, The Founders conceived America as a refuge for people fleeing from religious and political persecution, and emphasized that the nation gained as it attracted new people in search of freedom and livelihood for their families; and

Whereas, The immigration of people from all over the world has defined every stage of American history and propelled our social, economic, political, scientific, cultural, artistic, and technological progress as a people; and

Whereas, American patriotism is defined not by race or ethnicity but by devotion to the Constitutional ideals of equality, liberty, inclusion, and democracy; and

Whereas, President John F. Kennedy, whose family came to the United States from Ireland, stated in his 1958 book "A Nation of Immigrants" that, "The contribution of immigrants can be seen in every aspect of our national life. We see it in religion, in politics, in business, in the arts, in education, even in athletics and entertainment. There is no part of our nation that has not been touched by our immigrant background. Immigrants have enriched and strengthened every fabric of American life.;" and

Whereas, The United States is unique among nations because it draws its people and its strength from every country and every corner of the world, and by doing so, the United States is a continuously renewed and enriched nation; and

Whereas, President Donald Trump's racist comments have legitimized fear and hatred of new Americans and people of color; and

Whereas, This House believes that immigrants and their descendants have made America stronger, and that those who take the oath of citizenship are as American as those whose families have lived in the United States for many generations; now, therefore,

Be it Resolved by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:

1. This House strongly condemns President Donald Trump's racist comments that have legitimized and increased fear and hatred of new Americans and people of color by saying that our fellow Americans who are immigrants, and those who may look to the President like immigrants, should "go back" to their countries, by referring to immigrants and asylum seekers as "invaders," and by saying that members of Congress who are immigrants, or those assumed to be immigrants, do not belong in Congress or in the United States of America.

2. Copies of this resolution as filed with the Secretary of State, shall be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the President and Vice President of the United States, the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, and every member of Congress elected from this State.

POM-144. A resolution adopted by the City Commission of Traverse City, Michigan urging the United States Congress to enact the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-145. A resolution adopted by the Selectmen of the Town of Hampton Falls, New

Hampshire urging the United States Congress to pass the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-146. A resolution adopted by the City Commission of Sweetwater, Florida urging reevaluation of an application for permanent resident status by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-147. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to appropriations to states and Immigration and Customs Enforcement; to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1317. A bill to facilitate the availability, development, and environmentally responsible production of domestic resources to meet national material or critical mineral needs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 116-131).

By Mr. HOEVEN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2071. A bill to repeal certain obsolete laws relating to Indians (Rept. No. 116-132).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 334. A bill to authorize the construction of the Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System and study of the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System in the States of Montana and North Dakota, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 116-133).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 607. A bill to amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to address insufficient compensation of employees and other personnel of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 116-134).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1602. A bill to amend the United States Energy Storage Competitiveness Act of 2007 to establish a research, development, and demonstration program for grid-scale energy storage systems, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 116-135).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2094. A bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide Federal financial assistance to States to implement State energy security plans, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 116-136).

H.R. 2114. A bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide Federal financial assistance to States to implement, review, and revise State energy security plans, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 116-137).

By Ms. COLLINS, from the Special Committee on Aging:

Special Report entitled "Falls Prevention: National, State, and Local Solutions to Better Support Seniors" (Rept. No. 116-138).

By Mr. SHELBY, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocations to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2020" (Rept. No. 116-139).

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 Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. Kaine, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. REED):

S. 2655. A bill to amend title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 in order to increase the amount of financial support available for working students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 2656. A bill to disclose access to election infrastructure by foreign nationals; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 2657. A bill to support innovation in advanced geothermal research and development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. HAWLEY, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 2658. A bill to promote competition and reduce consumer switching costs in the provision of online communications services; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. JONES, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO):

S. 2659. A bill to address the needs of workers in industries likely to be impacted by rapidly evolving technologies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2660. A bill to establish a grant program for wind energy research, development, and demonstration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. GARDNER (for himself, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. REED):

S. 2661. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to designate 9-8-8 as the universal telephone number for the purpose of the national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline system operating through the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and through the Veterans Crisis Line, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. McCONNELL, Mr. BRAUN, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. PAUL):

S. 2662. A bill to amend sections 111, 169, and 171 of the Clean Air Act to clarify when a physical change in, or change in the method of operation of, a stationary source constitutes a modification or construction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 2663. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, with respect to apportionments to small transit intensive cities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MARKEY:

S. 2664. A bill to establish a voluntary program to identify and promote internet-connected products that meet industry-leading cybersecurity and data security standards, guidelines, best practices, methodologies, procedures, and processes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. WYDEN):