

minimum requirements for nurse staffing in nursing facilities receiving payments under the Medicare or Medicaid Program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DAYTON:

S. 1989. A bill to provide that, for purposes of making determinations for certain trade remedies and trade adjustment assistance, imported semi-finished steel slabs and taconite pellets produced in the United States shall be considered to be articles like or directly competitive with each other; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DAYTON:

S. 1990. A bill to authorize the Economic Development Administration to make grants to producers of taconite for implementation of new technologies to increase productivity, to reduce costs, and to improve overall product quality and performance; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY)):

S. 1991. A bill to require the reimbursement of members of the Armed Forces or their family members for the costs of protective body armor purchased by or on behalf of members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 1992. A bill to amend the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 to eliminate privatization of the medicare program, to improve the medicare prescription drug benefit, to repeal health savings accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 1993. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide a highway safety improvement program that includes incentives to States to enact primary safety belt laws; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 1994. A bill to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to strike the language that prohibits the Secretary of Health and Human Services from negotiating prices for prescription drugs furnished under the medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 1995. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the MA Regional Plan Stabilization Fund; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DASCHLE:

S. 1996. A bill to enhance and provide to the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Angostura Irrigation Project certain benefits of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River basin program; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. BYRD (for himself, Mr. BAYH, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 1997. A bill to reinstate the safeguard measures imposed on imports of certain steel products, as in effect on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 1998. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to preserve the essential air service program; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. DORGAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. KOHL, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 1999. A bill to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act, as added by the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, to provide for negotiation of fair prices for medicare prescription drugs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 2000. A bill to extend the special postage stamp for breast cancer research for 2 years; considered and passed.

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

S. 2001. A bill to authorize an additional permanent judgeship for the district of Hawaii, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. CRAIG):

S. 2002. A bill to improve and promote compliance with international intellectual property obligations relating to the Republic of Cuba, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 2003. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to promote higher quality health care and better health by strengthening health information, information infrastructure, and the use of health information by providers and patients; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 2004. A bill to permanently reenact chapter 12 of title 11, United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. COLEMAN:

S. Res. 279. A resolution recognizing the importance and contributions of sportsmen to American society, supporting the traditions and values of sportsmen, and recognizing the many economic benefits associated with outdoor sporting activities; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 280. A resolution congratulating the San Jose Earthquakes for winning the 2003 Major League Soccer Cup; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FITZGERALD (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FRIST, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. DEWINE):

S. Res. 281. A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Paul Simon, a former Senator from the State of Illinois; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. STEVENS:

S. Res. 282. A resolution providing the funding to assist in meeting the official expenses of a preliminary meeting relative to the formation of a United States Senate-China interparliamentary group; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. INHOPE, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. TALENT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. KYL, and Mr. HOLLINGS):

S. Res. 283. A resolution affirming the need to protect children in the United States from indecent programming; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 59

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 59, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit former members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated as total to travel on military aircraft in the same manner and to the same extent as retired members of the Armed Forces are entitled to travel on such aircraft.

S. 344

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 344, a bill expressing the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity, and for other purposes.

S. 480

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 480, a bill to provide competitive grants for training court reporters and closed captioners to meet requirements for realtime writers under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and for other purposes.

S. 491

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to expand research regarding inflammatory bowel disease, and for other purposes.

S. 533

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 533, a bill to provide for a medal of appropriate design to be awarded by the President to the next of kin or other representative of those individuals killed as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

S. 736

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 736, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to strengthen enforcement of provisions relating to animal fighting, and for other purposes.

S. 976

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 976, a bill to provide for the issuance of a coin to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement.

S. 985

At the request of Mr. GREGG, his name was added as a cosponsor of S.