

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 2310. A bill to repeal the requirement for 12 operational aircraft carriers within the Navy; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 2311. A bill to establish a demonstration project to develop a national network of economically sustainable transportation providers and qualified transportation providers, to provide transportation services to older individuals, and individuals who are blind, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 2312. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to change the numerical identifier used to identify Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 2313. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permit medicare beneficiaries enrolled in prescription drug plans and MA-PD plans that change their formalities or increase drug prices to enroll in other plans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. KERRY, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 2314. A bill to suspend the application of any provision of Federal law under which persons are relieved from the requirement to pay royalties for production of oil or natural gas from Federal lands in periods of high oil and natural gas prices, to require the Secretary to seek to renegotiate existing oil and natural gas leases to similarly limit suspension of royalty obligations under such leases, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 2315. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a federally-supported education and awareness campaign for the prevention of methamphetamine use; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 2316. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the Outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic and North Atlantic planning areas; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. HATCH, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 2317. A bill to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to require the United States Trade Representative to identify trade enforcement priorities and to take action with respect to priority foreign country trade practices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 2318. A bill to provide driver safety grants to States with graduated driver licensing laws that meet certain minimum requirements; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 2319. A bill to provide for the recovery from Hurricane Katrina, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. COLEMAN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2320. A bill to make available funds included in the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program for fiscal year 2006, and for other purposes; read the first time.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. SPECTER):

S. Res. 373. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Senate should continue to support the National Domestic Violence Hotline, a critical national resource that saves lives each day, and commemorate its 10th anniversary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. Res. 374. A resolution to authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in United States of America v. David Hossein Safavian; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. Res. 375. A resolution to authorize testimony and legal representation in State of New Hampshire v. William Thomas, Keta C. Jones, John Francis Bopp, Michael S. Franklin, David Van Strein, Guy Chichester, Jamilla El-Shafei, and Ann Isenberg; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID:

S. Res. 376. A resolution to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of Keyter v. McCain, et al; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FRIST:

S. Res. 377. A resolution honoring the life of Dr. Norman Shumway and expressing the condolences of the Senate on his passing; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Mr. SPECTER):

S. Res. 378. A resolution designating February 25, 2006, as "National MPS Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BURR, Mrs. DOLE, and Mr. ALLEN):

S. Res. 379. A resolution recognizing the creation of the NASCAR-Historically Black Colleges and Universities Consortium; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. COLEMAN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. JOHNSON, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. REID, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. TALENT, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. OBAMA, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KOHL, and Mr. FRIST):

S. Res. 380. A resolution celebrating Black History Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SALAZAR (for himself, Mr. ENSIGN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. Res. 381. A resolution designating March 1, 2006, as National Sibling Connection Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

S. Con. Res. 81. A concurrent resolution recognizing and honoring the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Sigma Alpha Ep-

silon Fraternity; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 267

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 267, a bill to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, and for other purposes.

S. 333

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 333, a bill to hold the current regime in Iran accountable for its threatening behavior and to support a transition to democracy in Iran.

S. 382

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 382, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, and for other purposes.

S. 707

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 707, a bill to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

S. 912

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 912, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States.

S. 1035

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) were added as cosponsors of S. 1035, a bill to authorize the presentation of commemorative medals on behalf of Congress to Native Americans who served as Code Talkers during foreign conflicts in which the United States was involved during the 20th century in recognition of the service of those Native Americans to the United States.

S. 1289

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 1289, a bill to provide for research and education with respect to uterine fibroids, and for other purposes.

S. 1687

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1687, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide waivers relating to grants for preventive

health measures with respect to breast and cervical cancers.

S. 1791

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1791, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for qualified timber gains.

S. 1934

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1934, a bill to reauthorize the grant program of the Department of Justice for reentry of offenders into the community, to establish a task force on Federal programs and activities relating to the reentry of offenders into the community, and for other purposes.

S. 1998

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1998, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to enhance protections relating to the reputation and meaning of the Medal of Honor and other military decorations and awards, and for other purposes.

S. 2126

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2126, a bill to limit the exposure of children to violent video games.

S. 2157

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) were added as cosponsors of S. 2157, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the Purple Heart to be awarded to prisoners of war who die in captivity under circumstances not otherwise establishing eligibility for the Purple Heart.

S. 2178

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) and the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) were added as cosponsors of S. 2178, a bill to make the stealing and selling of telephone records a criminal offense.

S. 2182

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2182, a bill to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and for other purposes.

S. 2287

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2287, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and permanently extend the expensing of certain depreciable business assets for small businesses.

S. 2290

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S.

2290, a bill to provide for affordable natural gas by rebalancing domestic supply and demand and to promote the production of natural gas from domestic resources.

S. 2291

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2291, a bill to provide for the establishment of a biodefense injury compensation program and to provide indemnification for producers of countermeasures.

S. RES. 371

At the request of Mr. THOMAS, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 371, a resolution designating July 22, 2006, as "National Day of the American Cowboy".

S. RES. 372

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 372, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that oil and gas companies should not be provided outer Continental Shelf royalty relief when energy prices are at historic highs.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 2293. A bill to authorize a military construction project for the construction of an advanced training skills facility at Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President I am reminded daily of the sacrifice of the men and women of this country who serve or have loved ones who serve in our armed forces. As a Tennessean I often think of the courage and honor displayed by members of the 101st Airborne out of Fort Campbell and the many Guardsmen and Reservists from my State who have served in both Iraq and Afghanistan. These soldiers, many of whom call Tennessee home, make great sacrifices for our Nation. I am saddened to think about those who have been wounded in recent military operations and in some cases are so severely injured that they require extensive medical care, along with years of treatment and rehabilitation. Their future quality of life and ability to provide for their families depends on the treatment and rehabilitation they receive from the country they have served.

As a physician I marvel at the great work of my colleagues in the Armed Services Medical Commands who treat the most severely injured military personnel. The use of improvised explosive devices in Iraq has resulted in many injuries including amputations, head trauma, and in some cases partial and full paralysis. We must meet the care

and rehabilitation needs of the soldiers who have sacrificed so much for our country.

With this in mind I have joined with Senator LIEBERMAN to sponsor a bill to authorize the construction of a world-class state-of-the-art advanced training skills facility at Brooke Army Medical Center. This center will not only serve military personnel disabled in operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, but will also provide care to those severely injured in other operations and in the normal performance of their duties, both combat and non-combat related.

This center will provide necessary space and facilities for the rehabilitation needs of the patients and their caregivers. It will be constructed on a site sufficient in size to meet the needs of the center's patients and caregivers and will include top of the line indoor and outdoor facilities, a child care center, and other needed support facilities. I am proud of the service of our military personnel both past and present, and this new facility will go a long way in helping to meet their needs both now and into the future.

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

S. 2294. A bill to permanently prohibit oil and gas leasing off the coast of the State of California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, today, with my friend and colleague from California, DIANNE FEINSTEIN, I introduce the "California Ocean and Coastal Protection Act." This bill will permanently protect California's coast from the dangers of new offshore drilling.

In California, there is strong and enduring public support for the protection of our oceans and coastlines. Many years ago, my State decided that the potential benefits that might be derived from future offshore oil and gas development were not worth the risk of destroying our priceless coastal treasures. Regular chronic leakage associated with normal oil and gas operations, as well as catastrophic spills such as the horrific Santa Barbara rig blowout in 1969, irreparably contaminate our ocean, beaches, and wetlands.

The beauty of California's coast is so important that California passed legislation permanently prohibiting oil and gas exploration in State waters in 1994. This protection is limited, however, to California's territorial waters—only three nautical miles out from shore.

The Federal waters off the coast of California, which extend beyond State waters to 200 nautical miles out, are increasingly at risk of drilling. Despite years of bipartisan support for the moratoria on new offshore drilling in Federal waters, recent efforts are threatening our coasts. Some recent proposals would immediately lift the moratoria and allow for drilling within 20 miles off our coasts. Last year's energy bill included provisions to conduct