

Chief Financial Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, received on June 18, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7310. A communication from the United States Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Twenty-Third Actuarial Valuation of the Assets and Liabilities Under the Railroad Retirement Acts as of December 31, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7311. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Child Welfare Outcomes 2003: Annual Report"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7312. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of Health and Human Services' current initiatives in regard to the national preparedness plan and progress in meeting preparedness goals specified in section 101 of the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7313. A communication from the Director, Office of Labor-Management Standards, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Conduct for Federal Sector Labor Organizations" (RIN1215-AB48) received on June 15, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BENNETT, from the Committee on Appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 5384. A bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-266).

By Mr. ALLARD, from the Committee on Appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 5521. A bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-267).

By Mr. COCHRAN, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2007" (Rept. No. 109-268).

By Ms. COLLINS, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 2977. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 306 2nd Avenue in Brockway, Montana, as the "Paul Kasten Post Office Building".

H.R. 3440. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Avenida RL Rodriguez in Bayamon, Puerto Rico, as the "Dr. Jose Celso Barbosa Post Office Building".

H.R. 3549. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 210 West 3rd Avenue in Warren, Pennsylvania, as the "William F. Clinger, Jr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 3934. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 80 Killian Road in Massapequa, New York, as the "Gerard A. Fiorenza Post Office Building".

H.R. 4108. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3000 Homewood Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "State Senator Verda Welcome

and Dr. Henry Welcome Post Office Building".

H.R. 4456. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2404 Race Street in Jonesboro, Arkansas, as the "Hattie W. Caraway Station".

H.R. 4561. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8624 Ferguson Road in Dallas, Texas, as the "Francisco 'Pancho' Medrano Post Office Building".

H.R. 4688. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Boyden Street in Badin, North Carolina, as the "Mayor John Thompson 'Tom' Garrison Memorial Post Office".

H.R. 4786. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 535 Wood Street in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, as the "H. Gordon Payrow Post Office Building".

H.R. 4995. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7 Columbus Avenue in Tuckahoe, New York, as the "Ronald Bucca Post Office".

H.R. 5245. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Marble Street in Fair Haven, Vermont, as the "Matthew Lyon Post Office Building".

S. 2228. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2404 Race Street, Jonesboro, Arkansas, as the "Hattie W. Caraway Post Office".

S. 2376. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 80 Killian Road in Massapequa, New York, as the "Gerard A. Fiorenza Post Office Building".

S. 2690. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8801 Sudley Road in Manassas, Virginia, as the "Harry J. Parrish Post Office".

S. 2722. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 East Main Street in Patchogue, New York, as the "Lieutenant Michael P. Murphy Post Office Building".

S. 3187. A bill to designate the Post Office located at 5755 Post Road, East Greenwich, Rhode Island, as the "Richard L. Cevoli Post Office".

#### EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS for the Select Committee on Intelligence.

\*Kenneth L. Wainstein, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

#### 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 Mr. DEMINT:

S. 3556. A bill to clarify the rules of origin for certain textile and apparel products; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 3557. A bill to reduce deaths occurring from overdoses of drugs or controlled substances; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3558. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish, promote, and support a comprehensive prevention, education, research, and medical management program that will lead to a marked reduction in liver cirrhosis and a reduction in the cases of, and improved survival of, liver cancer caused by chronic hepatitis B infection; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 3559. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to fraud in connection with major disaster or emergency funds; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 3560. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to replace the Federal Election Commission with the Federal Election Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. STEVENS:

S. Con. Res. 103. A concurrent resolution to correct the enrollment of the bill H.R. 889; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. Con. Res. 104. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Harry W. Colmery; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 675

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 675, a bill to reward the hard work and risk of individuals who choose to live in and help preserve America's small, rural towns, and for other purposes.

S. 1060

At the request of Mr. COLEMAN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1060, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for the purchase of hearing aids.

S. 1172

At the request of Mr. SPETER, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1172, a bill to provide for programs to increase the awareness and knowledge of women and health care providers with respect to gynecologic cancers.

S. 1217

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1217, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to phase out the 24-month waiting period for disabled individuals to become eligible for medicare

benefits, to eliminate the waiting period for individuals with life-threatening conditions, and for other purposes.

S. 1934

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) 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. 2140

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2140, a bill to enhance protection of children from sexual exploitation by strengthening section 2257 of title 18, United States Code, requiring producers of sexually explicit material to keep and permit inspection of records regarding the age of performers, and for other purposes.

S. 2250

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2250, a bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Norman E. Borlaug.

S. 2491

At the request of Mr. FRIST, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2491, a bill to award a Congressional gold medal to Byron Nelson in recognition of his significant contributions to the game of golf as a player, a teacher, and a commentator.

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE), the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2491, supra.

S. 2663

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2663, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish grant programs to provide for education and outreach on newborn screening and coordinated followup care once newborn screening has been conducted, to reauthorize programs under part A of title XI of such Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2725

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2725, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal Minimum wage and to ensure that increases in the Federal minimum wage keep pace with any pay adjustments for Members of Congress.

S. 2810

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi

(Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2810, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to eliminate months in 2006 from the calculation of any late enrollment penalty under the Medicare part D prescription drug program and to provide for additional funding for State health insurance counseling program and area agencies on aging, and for other purposes.

S. 3061

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3061, a bill to extend the patent term for the badge of the American Legion Women's Auxiliary, and for other purposes.

S. 3062

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3062, a bill to extend the patent term for the badge of the American Legion, and for other purposes.

S. 3063

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3063, a bill to extend the patent term for the badge of the Sons of the American Legion, and for other purposes.

S. 3516

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) were added as cosponsors of S. 3516, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permanently extend the floor on the Medicare work geographic adjustment under the fee schedule for physicians' services.

S. RES. 359

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 359, a resolution concerning the Government of Romania's ban on intercountry adoptions and the welfare of orphaned or abandoned children in Romania.

S. RES. 482

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 482, a resolution supporting the goals of an annual National Time-Out Day to promote patient safety and optimal outcomes in the operating room.

S. RES. 494

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 494, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the creation of refugee populations in the Middle East, North Africa, and the Persian Gulf region as a result of human rights violations.

S. RES. 507

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S.

Res. 507, a resolution designating the week of November 5 through November 11, 2006, as "National Veterans Awareness Week" to emphasize the need to develop educational programs regarding the contributions of veterans to the country.

S. RES. 508

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 508, a resolution designating October 20, 2006 as "National Mammography Day."

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 508, supra.

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 508, supra.

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 508, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 4231

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4231 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4233

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4233 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4236

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4236 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4261

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4261 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. CHAMBLISS, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4261 proposed to S. 2766, *supra*.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4271

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4271 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. BENNETT, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4271 proposed to S. 2766, *supra*.

At the request of Mr. CARPER, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4271 proposed to S. 2766, *supra*.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4314

At the request of Mr. ALLEN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4314 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4320

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4320 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4328

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4328 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4332

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4332 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal

year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4342

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4342 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4346

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4346 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4361

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4361 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4371

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4371 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4390

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4390 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to

authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4390 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, *supra*.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4413

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4413 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4423

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4423 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4444

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4444 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4445

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4445 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4447

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of

amendment No. 4447 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4466

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4466 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4471

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD), the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4471 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4477

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS), the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4477 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4478

At the request of Mr. BYRD, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4478 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe per-

sonnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 3557. A bill to reduce deaths occurring from overdoses of drugs or controlled substances; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, on the first Monday and Tuesday of June, 14 people in Chicago died from an apparent overdose of heroin laced with fentanyl. That brings to 74 the lives lost to heroin and fentanyl in Cook County, IL, this year.

We know that abuse of prescription drugs is on the rise. The manufacture of mind-altering substances is getting easier. Meanwhile, Chicago first responders have treated more than 600 drug overdoses since April. Today I am introducing the Drug Overdose Reduction Act to strengthen and expand the work our communities are doing to prevent overdose deaths from both prescription drug and illicit drug abuse.

The legislation authorizes funding to train first responders, law enforcement officials and corrections officials on how to recognize and respond to an overdose. Funding also would be available for drug overdose prevention programs that provide direct services to people most at risk of an overdose death.

The act would support the important work of organizations like the Chicago Recovery Alliance, which works with a population of people at high risk for overdose deaths. Dr. Sarz Maxwell, medical director for the Alliance, said she knows of several people whose lives have been saved by the consumer education the group provides.

These local outreach and education efforts may be the best tool we have right now for saving lives that would otherwise be lost to drug overdoses. By implementing the Drug Overdose Prevention Act, we can avert the tragic deaths caused by the most recent wave of deadly heroin.

One of the victims in Chicago was just 17 years old. Joseph graduated from high school on Sunday and was found dead in the back of his car on Tuesday.

Deaths like this are tragic for those who have died and their families, but also for the high schools and communities they grew up in. A Chicago police official was quoted in the New York Times saying that it appeared the drug cocktail had killed the young man instantly. Perhaps his death contributed to the decision at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration 2 days later to issue an alert to rehab centers and addiction specialists about the heroin mixed with fentanyl.

I am encouraged that the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, working with Chicago police, this week de-

scended on what they believe is the headquarters for local distribution of this deadly drug. I commend the law enforcement officials who are cracking down on illicit drug traffic in my home State of Illinois and across the country. Their work is fundamental to a comprehensive response to senseless deaths due to drug overdoses.

The time has come to put an end to these tragedies. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting the Drug Overdose Reduction Act to bring resources to community-based efforts to prevent unnecessary deaths by providing information about the dangers of drug abuse, how to find help to break addictions and how to stay alive in the interim.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

S. 3557

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

## SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Drug Overdose Reduction Act".

## SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that 28,723 deaths in the United States in 2003 were attributable to drug-induced causes.

(2) Deaths resulting from drug overdoses have increased 540 percent between 1980 and 1999.

(3) According to the Federal Drug Abuse Warning Network, most drug-induced deaths involve multiple drugs.

(4) An increase in the number of deaths attributable to heroin mixed with fentanyl, a narcotic considered 50 to 100 times more potent than morphine, has been documented in 2005 and 2006.

(5) An estimated 3,000,000 individuals in the United States have serious drug problems.

(6) The damage caused by drug use is not limited to drug abusers. The collateral damage from drug use is enormous, and drug abuse costs society over \$60,000,000,000 in social costs and lost productivity.

(7) Community-based programs working with high-risk populations have successfully prevented deaths from drug overdoses through education and access to effective reversal agents, such as naloxone.

## SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE.—The term "controlled substance" has the meaning given the term in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802).

(2) DIRECTOR.—The term "Director" means the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

(3) DRUG.—The term "drug" has the meaning given the term in section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321).

(4) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term "eligible entity" means an entity that is a State, local, or tribal government, or a private non-profit organization.

## SEC. 4. OVERDOSE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM.

(a) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—From amounts appropriated under this section for a fiscal year, the Director shall award grants or cooperative agreements to eligible entities to