

Mr. CARPER, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. SUNUNU) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 472

Whereas it has been almost 7 years since the horrific terrorist attacks against the United States and its people on September 11, 2001;

Whereas al-Qaeda and affiliated or inspired terrorist groups remain committed to plotting attacks against the United States, its interests, and its foreign allies, as evidenced by recent terrorist attacks in Great Britain, Algeria, and Pakistan, and disrupted plots in Germany, Denmark, Canada, and the United States;

Whereas the Nation remains vulnerable to catastrophic natural disasters, such as Hurricane Katrina, which devastated the Gulf Coast in August 2005;

Whereas the President has declared more than 400 major disasters and emergencies under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act since 2000, in response to a host of natural disasters, including tornadoes, floods, winter storms, and wildfires that have overwhelmed the capabilities of State and local governments;

Whereas acts of terrorism, natural disasters, and other large-scale emergencies can exact a tragic human toll, resulting in significant numbers of casualties and disrupting hundreds of thousands of lives, causing serious damage to the Nation's critical infrastructure, and inflicting billions of dollars of costs on both the public and private sectors;

Whereas in response to the attacks of September 11, 2001, and the continuing risk to the Nation from a full range of potential catastrophic incidents, Congress established the Department of Homeland Security on March 1, 2003, bringing together 22 disparate Federal entities, enhancing their capabilities with major new divisions emphasizing information analysis, infrastructure protection, and science and technology, and focusing its more than 200,000 employees on the critical mission of defending the Nation against acts of terrorism, natural disasters, and other large-scale emergencies;

Whereas since its creation, the employees of the Department of Homeland Security have endeavored to carry out this mission with commendable dedication, working with other Federal departments and agencies and partners at all levels of government to help secure the Nation's borders, airports, sea and inland ports, critical infrastructure, and people against acts of terrorism, natural disasters, and other large-scale emergencies;

Whereas the Nation's firefighters, law enforcement officers, emergency medical services personnel, and other emergency response providers selflessly and repeatedly risk their lives to fulfill their mission to help prevent, protect against, prepare for, and respond to acts of terrorism, natural disasters, and other large-scale emergencies;

Whereas State, local, territorial, and tribal government officials, the private sector, and ordinary individuals across the country have been working in cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and other Federal departments and agencies to enhance the Nation's ability to prevent, protect against, prepare for, and respond to natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other large-scale emergencies; and

Whereas the people of the United States can assist in promoting the Nation's overall preparedness by remaining vigilant, reporting suspicious activity to proper authorities, and preparing themselves and their families for all emergencies, regardless of their cause: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Department of Homeland Security, commends the public servants of the Department for their outstanding contributions to the Nation's security and safety;

(2) salutes the dedication of State, local, territorial, and tribal government officials, the private sector, and individuals across the country for their efforts to enhance the Nation's ability to prevent, protect against, prepare for, and respond to acts of terrorism, natural disasters, and other large-scale emergencies;

(3) expresses the Nation's appreciation for the sacrifices and commitment of law enforcement, fire service, and emergency medical services personnel, emergency managers, and other emergency response providers in preventing, protecting against, preparing for, and responding to acts of terrorism, natural disasters, and other large-scale emergencies;

(4) urges the Federal Government, States, local governments, Indian tribes, schools, nonprofit organizations, businesses, other entities, and the people of the United States to take steps that promote individual and community preparedness for any emergency, regardless of its cause; and

(5) encourages continued efforts by every individual in the United States to enhance the ability of the Nation to address the full range of potential catastrophic incidents at all levels of government.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4091. Mr. INOUE (for himself and Mr. STEVENS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2663, to reform the Consumer Product Safety Commission to provide greater protection for children's products, to improve the screening of noncompliant consumer products, to improve the effectiveness of consumer product recall programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4092. Mr. DODD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4093. Ms. MIKULSKI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4094. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2663, supra.

SA 4095. Mr. DEMINT proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2663, supra.

SA 4096. Mr. DEMINT proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2663, supra.

SA 4097. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4098. Mr. DORGAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4099. Mr. DORGAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4100. Mr. DORGAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4101. Mrs. MCCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4102. Mrs. MCCASKILL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her

to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4103. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4104. Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mrs. BOXER) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2663, supra.

SA 4105. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. MENENDEZ) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4106. Mrs. FEINSTEIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4107. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4104 proposed by Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mrs. BOXER) to the bill S. 2663, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

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At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE —COMMERCIAL SEAFOOD CONSUMER PROTECTION

SEC.—01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act".

SEC.—02. SEAFOOD SAFETY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Commerce shall, in coordination with the Secretary of Health and Human Services and other appropriate Federal agencies, establish a program to strengthen Federal activities for ensuring that commercially distributed seafood in the United States meets the food quality and safety requirements of Federal law.

(b) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.—The Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall enter into an agreement within 180 days after enactment of this Act to strengthen cooperation on seafood safety. The agreement shall include provisions for—

(1) cooperative arrangements for examining and testing seafood imports;

(2) coordination of inspections of foreign facilities;

(3) technical assistance and training of foreign facilities for marine aquaculture, technical assistance for foreign governments concerning United States regulatory requirements, and appropriate information transfer arrangements between the United States and foreign governments;

(4) developing a process for expediting imports of seafood into the United States from foreign countries and exporters that consistently adhere to the highest standards for ensuring seafood safety;

(5) establishing a system to track shipments of seafood in the distribution chain within the United States;

(6) labeling requirements to assure species identity and prevent fraudulent practices;