

leader of the bay program's Water Quality Team. The biggest problem was conveying what might seem simple: "What needs to be done, who is going to do it and how," she said.

Three years ago, the National Institutes of Health attempted to pick up where the country's prestigious medical centers had left off, cracking the code of diseases that cannot be diagnosed.

William Gahl, a pediatrician specializing in clinical and biochemical genetics, took on the challenge as the first director of the Undiagnosed Diseases Program. Interest was so strong that Gahl's \$280,000 budget quickly grew to \$3.5 million. Of 5,000 applicants, 400 have been accepted, though a medical diagnosis has been found for just 60.

"We admit failure in the majority of our cases," Gahl said. "But these are people who have been everywhere else."

Analysts at the Treasury Department's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network have long suspected that Mexican drug traffickers were smuggling cash from their narcotics sales back into Mexico for deposit in local banks. Senior intelligence research analyst Ann Martin, 29, analyzed tens of thousands of bank transactions and discovered last year that billions of dollars in illegal drug profits were entering the Mexican banking system from the United States. Her work led the Mexican government to issue new regulations capping the amount of American dollars that can flow to Mexican banks.

Post-traumatic stress disorder is a well-known mental health issue facing service members, but when Matthew Friedman began his career working with veterans 40 years ago, the term did not exist.

Today, the psychiatrist and pharmacologist is executive director of the Veterans Affairs Department's National Center for PTSD, based in White River Junction, Vt. Since the center was created in 1989, Friedman has expanded it to seven VA medical centers across the country. He overcame many skeptics along the way, who believed the affliction was not a serious disorder. At 71, Friedman now wants to understand how to prevent the disorder and why some soldiers suffer from it while others don't.

"What is the difference between resilient and vulnerable people?" he asked.

#### STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, today I honor the National Association of Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. Every year, on the second Saturday in May, letter carriers across the country collect nonperishable food as part of the Nation's largest one-day food drive, distributing the donations to local food banks. In these difficult economic times—as families continue to make ends meet and food banks deal with tightening budgets—these efforts are especially important.

The Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive is just one example of how letter carriers work to make a difference in the lives of those they serve. Since the food drive was launched 19 years ago, they have collected a billion pounds of food, including 77.3 million pounds last year alone. They do all of this in service of the communities in which the live and work. And the work they do remains essential. Even in today's electronic society, millions of us depend on letter carriers to deliver everything from birthday cards to life-saving prescription medications.

In recognition of all letter carriers, their hard work and their commitment to their communities, I ask that all of us join with them in support of their one-day food drive and make a donation of nonperishable food items this Saturday, May 14, 2011, the National Association of Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Day.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### NEW HAMPSHIRE TIMBERLAND OWNERS ASSOCIATION

• Ms. AYOTTE. Mr. President, today I recognize and congratulate the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association on achieving a commendable feat—100 years of successful forest management, conservation, and awareness efforts.

The New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association will hold its centennial annual meeting this year in Whitefield, NH, at the Mountain View Grand Resort from Friday, May 20 through Sunday, May 22, where the association will gather at Weeks State Park—the former summer home of Senator John Wingate Weeks, the author of the 1911 Weeks Act, a landmark piece of conservation legislation which paved the way for the formation of the White Mountain National Forest.

The New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association was established as a nonprofit organization in 1911, with William R. Brown serving as president. By 1912, the association had 32 members. Today, the association celebrates 100 years of hard work and its more than 1,400 members representing land ownership of over 1 million acres.

The association's initial objectives were the protection and improvement of timberland and property rights. The members' efforts focused on planning and acting on matters relating to forest management, legislation, and taxes. Today, the association is a statewide coalition of landowners, forest industry professionals, government officials, and supporters who work together to promote forest management and conservation of New Hampshire's working forests and to ensure a vibrant forest products industry.

Since its inception, the association has continuously grown and expanded its efforts. Working with the State of New Hampshire, the Federal Government, and local governments, the association has ensured that New Hampshire's timberlands are managed for the benefit of timberland owners and, ultimately, the best interests of the timber economy of our great State. Together, landowners and forest industry professionals share the understanding that a well-managed forest is essential to New Hampshire's economy and our identity. The New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association represents some of the most treasured characteristics of the Granite State—teamwork, foresight in innovation, vision, and initiative.

As the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association celebrates its first 100 years, I commend their efforts and congratulate them on a job well done. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association's centennial celebration.●

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 940. A bill to reduce the Federal budget deficit by closing big oil tax loopholes, and for other purposes.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1564. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (70); Amdt. No. 30779" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1565. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (116); Amdt. No. 3418" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1566. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (33); Amdt. No. 3419" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1567. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Amdt. No. 3420" (RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1568. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Amdt. No. 3421" (RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1569. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (12); Amdt. No. 3423" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1570. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Kahului, HI" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1233)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1571. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Creighton, NE" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1170)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1572. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; West Yellowstone, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1209)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1573. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Pueblo, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1246)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1574. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Taylor, AZ" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1189)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1575. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Terre Haute, IN" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1034)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1576. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kenton, OH" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1054)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1577. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Indianapolis Executive Airport, IN" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1027)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1578. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Class E Air-

space; Kutztown, PA" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-0869)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### 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. VITTER:

S. 927. A bill to require congressional approval before implementation of certain agency actions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 928. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to limit the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to use bid savings on major medical facility projects of the Department of Veterans Affairs to expand or change the scope of a major medical facility project of the Department, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. REED, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 929. A bill to establish a comprehensive literacy program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 930. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide the same capital gains treatment for art and collectibles as for other investment property and to provide that a deduction equal to fair market value shall be allowed for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 931. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the rules relating to fractional charitable donations of tangible personal property; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 932. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a \$1,000 refundable credit for individuals who are bona fide volunteer members of volunteer firefighting and emergency medical service organizations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 933. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and increase the exclusion for benefits provided to volunteer firefighters and emergency medical responders; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 934. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to make a technical correction relating to stainless steel single-piece exhaust gas manifolds; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 935. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a program of outreach to veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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

S. 936. A bill to establish the American Infrastructure Investment Fund and other activities to facilitate investments in infrastructure projects that significantly enhance

the economic competitiveness of the United States by improving economic output, productivity, or competitive commercial advantage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. COATS):

S. 937. A bill to repeal certain barriers to domestic fuel production, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 938. A bill to establish a research, development, demonstration, and commercial application program to promote research of appropriate technologies for heavy duty plug-in hybrid vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 939. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the volume cap for private activity bonds shall not apply to bonds for facilities for the furnishing of water and sewage facilities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. REID, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. REED, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. COONS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 940. A bill to reduce the Federal budget deficit by closing big oil tax loopholes, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. COONS, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 941. A bill to strengthen families' engagement in the education of their children; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 942. A bill to provide for improved investment in national transportation infrastructure; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. Res. 175. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to ongoing violations of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Georgia and the importance of a peaceful and just resolution to the conflict within Georgia's internationally recognized borders; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. MIKULSKI:

S. Res. 176. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Postal Service should issue a semipostal stamp to support medical research relating to Alzheimer's disease; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. INHOFE):