

EC-5164. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of seventeen (17) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general or brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5165. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Flood Insurance Program: Update To Address Information for Claims Appeals" (RIN1660-AA88) (Docket No. FEMA-2016-0009) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 14, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5166. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" (Docket No. FEMA-2016-0002) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 14, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5167. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Central African Republic that was declared in Executive Order 13667 of May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5168. A communication from the Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hizbullah Financial Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 566) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 14, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5169. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2008 Lead, 2008 Ozone, 2010 NO<sub>2</sub>, 2010 SO<sub>2</sub>, and 2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub> National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Montana" (FRL No. 9945-14-Region 8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5170. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Louisiana; Revisions to the State Implementation Plan; Fee Regulations" (FRL No. 9945-09-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5171. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments Related to: Tier 3 Motor Vehicle Emission and Fuel Standards and 40 CFR Part 80" (FRL No. 9941-85-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5172. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Vermont; Stage I

Vapor Recovery Requirements" (FRL No. 9945-12-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5173. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Rhode Island; Infrastructure State Implementation Plan Requirements for Particle Matter, Ozone, Lead, Nitrogen Dioxide and Sulfur Dioxide" (FRL No. 9945-13-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5174. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Corrective Actions Programs for Fuel Cycle Facilities" (Regulatory Guide 3.75, Revision 0) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5175. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Format and Content for a License Application for an Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation or a Monitored Retrievable Storage Facility" (Regulatory Guide 3.50, Revision 2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5176. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Site Suitability for Nuclear Power Stations" (Regulatory Guide 4.7, Revision 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5177. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "U.S. Assistance for Palestinian Security Forces and Benchmarks for Palestinian Security Assistance Funds" ; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5178. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Demonstrating Improvement in the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program: A Report to Congress" ; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5179. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a financial report relative to the Animal Generic Drug User Fee Act for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5180. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a financial report relative to the Animal Generic Drug User Fee Act for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5181. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Feasibility of Mechanisms to Assist Providers in Comparing and Selecting Certified EHR" ; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5182. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative

Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Debt Collection Recovery Activities of the Department of Justice for Civil Debts Referred for Collection Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2015" ; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5183. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting proposed legislation entitled "Coast Guard Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017" ; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-156. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan memorializing the United States Congress to enact the Retail Investor Act and also to enact legislation that prohibits the United States Department of Labor from amending fiduciary duty regulations to define retirement savings brokers and agents as fiduciaries, including those previously not deemed fiduciaries; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

### HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 223

Whereas, With over 10,000 people retiring every day, each year for the next 17 years, it is imperative that future retirees plan, save, and have choices about who they consult for retirement guidance. Financial professionals provide guidance to consumers about their investments, including investments in IRAs, 401(k) accounts, and other assets invested to produce retirement income; and

Whereas, Financial professionals are generally compensated through one of two business models. A majority of transactions fall into the broker-dealer model, in which compensation is paid by the product provider to the broker-dealer and registered representatives, and not by the consumer. In other transactions, the buyer is more financially sophisticated and has significant assets and may prefer to engage an advisor under a fee-based arrangement, paying the advisor directly; and

Whereas, For many, especially those with small- to medium-size accounts, consulting with a trusted professional using the broker-dealer model is more cost efficient, more accessible, and preferable to a fee-based arrangement; and

Whereas, The U.S. Department of Labor has proposed regulations that would define certain professionals operating under the broker-dealer model to be fiduciaries. And if receiving third-party compensation is a violation of the fiduciary standard, the effect will be to force retirement account savers to use a fee-based model or not receive advice; and

Whereas, The Retail Investor Protection Act (H.R. 1090) would prohibit the U.S. Department of Labor from prescribing any regulation pursuant to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 that defines the circumstances under which an individual is considered a fiduciary until 60 days after the Securities and Exchange Commission issues a final rule governing standards of conduct for brokers and dealers under specified law. Similar legislation passed the U.S. House on a bipartisan vote in the previous Congress; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved, By the House of Representatives, That we oppose efforts by the United States Department of Labor to place onerous regulatory rules on the broker-dealer community*

that will adversely affect low- and middle-income investors' ability to have access to affordable, reliable, retirement advice; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to enact the Retail Investor Protection Act and also to enact legislation that prohibits the United States Department of Labor from amending fiduciary duty regulations to define retirement savings brokers and agents as fiduciaries, including those previously not deemed fiduciaries; and be it further

*Resolved*, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the members of the Michigan congressional delegation, and the United States Secretary of Labor.

#### 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. MARKEY:

S. 2820. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to update and modernize the reporting requirements for contaminants, including lead, in drinking water; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. REED, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BOOKER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WARREN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. HEINRICH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. REID):

S. 2821. A bill to improve drinking water quality and reduce lead exposure in homes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. BENNET):

S. 2822. A bill to continue the use of a 3-month quarter EHR reporting period for health care providers to demonstrate meaningful use for 2016 under the Medicare and Medicaid EHR incentive payment programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. CAPITO:

S. 2823. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the section 45 credit for refined coal from steel industry fuel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 2824. A bill to designate the Federal building housing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Headquarters located at 99 New York Avenue N.E., Washington, D.C., as the "Ariel Rios Federal Building"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 2825. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to require compliance with domestic source requirements for footwear furnished to enlisted members of the Armed Forces upon their initial entry into the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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

S. 2826. A bill to ensure the effective and appropriate use of the Lowest Price Technically Acceptable source selection process; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. FLAKE:

S. 2827. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for an H-2C nonimmigrant classification, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 2828. A bill to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs located in The Dalles, Oregon, as the "Loren R. Kaufman Memorial Veterans' Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. FISCHER (for herself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 2829. A bill to amend and enhance certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 2830. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to provide for a school and child care lead testing grant program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. COONS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. BROWN):

S. Res. 432. A resolution supporting respect for human rights and encouraging inclusive governance in Ethiopia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. TILLIS:

S. Res. 433. A resolution recognizing linemen, the profession of linemen, and the contributions of these brave men and women who protect public safety, and expressing support for the designation of April 18, 2016, as "National Lineman Appreciation Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. Res. 434. A resolution supporting the designation of April 2016 as "Parkinson's Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 298

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 298, a bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to provide States with the option of providing services to children with medically complex conditions under the Medicaid program and Children's Health Insurance Program through a care coordination program focused on improving health outcomes for children with medically complex conditions and lowering costs, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 298, *supra*.

S. 453

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 453, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to States to streamline State requirements and procedures for veterans with military emergency medical training to become civilian emergency medical technicians.

S. 624

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 624, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to waive co-insurance under Medicare for colorectal cancer screening tests, regardless of whether therapeutic intervention is required during the screening.

S. 757

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 757, a bill to modify the prohibition on recognition by United States courts of certain rights relating to certain marks, trade names, or commercial names.

S. 1252

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1252, a bill to authorize a comprehensive strategic approach for United States foreign assistance to developing countries to reduce global poverty and hunger, achieve food and nutrition security, promote inclusive, sustainable, agricultural-led economic growth, improve nutritional outcomes, especially for women and children, build resilience among vulnerable populations, and for other purposes.

S. 1383

At the request of Mr. PERDUE, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. FLAKE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1383, a bill to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to subject the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection to the regular appropriations process, and for other purposes.

S. 1500

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1500, a bill to clarify Congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes.

S. 1555

At the request of Ms. HIRONO, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Ms. HEITKAMP) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1555, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Filipino veterans of World War II, in recognition of the dedicated service of the veterans during World War II.