

funds raised are dedicated to reducing the federal debt. The bill validates the authority of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to regulate tobacco products, including stronger warning labels, advertising restrictions, and detailed disclosure of all ingredients. The bill sets aggressive targets to reduce youth tobacco use by 80 percent over 10 years.

The bill embodies the strong tobacco control measures supported by Dr. C. Everett Koop, former U.S. Surgeon General under President Reagan, and Dr. Davis A. Kessler, former Commissioner of the FDA under both President Bush and President Clinton.

By introducing this bill with strong bipartisan support, we hope to keep our national effort against teen smoking out of the arena of partisan posturing. Our children's lives are infinitely more important than political gamesmanship, and infinitely more precious than Big Tobacco's profit margins.

The Senate is expected to vote soon on a comprehensive anti-tobacco bill sponsored by Sen. JOHN MCCAIN (R-AZ). Legislation is still being introduced and examined in the House. Congress should act expeditiously to send anti-teen smoking legislation to the President. America's children deserve nothing less.

TRIBUTE TO GOLD STAR PARENTS DAY

HON. CIRO D. RODRIGUEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 1998

Mr. RODRIGUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Gold Star Parents Day, commemorated in my home state of Texas on June 8.

Gold Star Parents is dedicated to honoring those who inspire service to our nation in their children. Celebrated halfway between Mother's Day and Father's Day, Gold Star Parents Day is a reminder that behind every veteran who serves his or her nation, there is a mother AND a father who directly or indirectly motivate a son or a daughter into service.

Founded in Laredo, Texas in 1971, Gold Star Parents boasts a membership that spans the state. Among patriotic family organizations, Gold Star Parents is one of the few of its kind in that it offers full membership to both mothers and fathers of veterans.

Last week on Memorial Day we paused to reflect upon the service of our nation's veterans. Today, I urge you to consider the tremendous sacrifice the brave mothers and fathers of those veterans endure when they send their beloved off to war. Our nation's freedom is built upon the sacrifices of our nation's veterans. We must not forget that those sacrifices are borne foremost among the mothers and fathers of those veterans.

For that I honor the parents and urge the remembrance of the mothers and fathers of our fallen heroes on June 8.

THE UNNECESSARY LEGISLATIVE FIGHT OVER ENCRYPTION

HON. DOUG BEREUTER

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 1998

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, H.R. 695, the Security and Freedom Through Encryption

(SAFE) Act is unnecessary legislation and should not be passed. Past service on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence has provided this Member with considerable evidence of the harmful effects this legislation, in its current form, would have on our national security and law enforcement efforts. In addition, H.R. 695 would prohibit the Administration and specifically, the Bureau of Export Administration, from striking the proper balance between national security and commercial interests in the licensing of strong encryption. The legislation needs to be amended, dramatically, if it comes to the House Floor. But most importantly, it is not necessary.

In the House International Relations Committee, this Member co-authored and supported an amendment to H.R. 695 which would have given the President of the United States a national security waiver to the mandated and complete relaxation of export controls of encryption products under H.R. 695. Unfortunately, our amendment was defeated on a 13-22 vote in the House International Relations Committee and H.R. 695 was passed over my opposition. This issue has been intensely lobbied by the software and electronics business sector and others.

On the other hand, this Member also does not support competing legislation to H.R. 695, which would impose domestic controls on the use of encryption in the United States. This very complicated and important national issue has been unnecessarily polarized by the software industry and by the law enforcement community. In fact, the software industry's uncompromising position on H.R. 695 has actually prompted the law enforcement community to push for this more rigorous domestic legislation and a stalemate has been created.

This Member believes that the disinformation that has been provided by a few groups or persons on both sides of this national debate has not led to an environment where a legislative compromise is easily achieved. For example, the software industry currently downplays the fact that many U.S. software manufacturers and hardware exporters are exporting relatively robust encryption after obtaining license approvals from the Department of Commerce. Moreover, U.S. financial institutions have general exceptions to the export controls on encryption for their own purposes.

These two important points reveal that the solution to this issue for U.S. software exporters is not the legislative process, but a change in the administrative regulations. Simply put, current law does not prohibit the Administration from relaxing these export controls and, therefore, a change in law is not necessary.

TEENS URGE HOUSE ACTION ON COMPREHENSIVE TOBACCO BILL

HON. HAROLD E. FORD, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 1998

Mr. FORD. Mr. Speaker, I call my colleagues attention to almost 1,800 students from Tennessee's Ninth Congressional District who want us to act immediately on a comprehensive tobacco bill. Young people have been and continue to be the targets of decep-

tive marketing tactics of cigarette companies and in light of the industry's most recent lobbying effort, I believe it is critical that the voices of those who are most affected by their practices be heard. It is my hope that these signatures will send a message to those who are captive to the powerful tobacco lobby that our children will no longer be manipulated into taking up the deadly habit of smoking.

I ask that the attached letter to the Speaker and the names of the signers of the attached petitions be entered into the RECORD.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, June 4, 1998.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Today I am submitting to the Congressional Record the names of almost 1,800 public and private school students from Tennessee's Ninth Congressional District urging you to act immediately to bring comprehensive tobacco legislation to the floor for a vote.

Since the 1950's, tobacco companies have repeatedly lied in sworn congressional testimony and public statements about the harm caused by their products and whether they intentionally marketed cigarettes to children. Most recently, the industry released more than 40,000 previously secret documents showing that nicotine is addictive. The current public health impact of tobacco on our young people is devastating.

Over 4 million high school seniors are addicted to tobacco.

In Tennessee, 39% of 9th-12th graders smoke cigarettes and 27% of high school boys use smokeless tobacco.

33% of young people who begin smoking while in high school will die early from a smoking related illness.

As you know, the Senate is currently debating a tough and comprehensive tobacco bill, but the House hasn't held one hearing nor have you committed to bringing a bill to the full House for consideration during the 105th Congress. Our lack of action on this matter will only result in more young people becoming addicted to smoking and more smoking related illnesses in the years to come. I urge you to heed the calls from the many young people in Tennessee's Ninth Congressional District and throughout the nation to move a tough tobacco bill this year.

Sincerely,

HAROLD FORD, JR.,

Member of Congress.

Corry Middle School.—LaToya House, LaShanna House, Nicole Gillespie, Gwendolyn Gordon, Shanta Morris, Kylla Goliday, Angel Jackson, Serenity Washington, Monique Wilkinson, TaJuana Bratcher, Shemeka Hall, Ebony Farris, Jeremy Boyd, Richarg Payne, Liz Edwards, Michelle Taylor, Tiffany S. Young, Tiffany Harwell, Jeremy Hunt, Melvin Robinson, Krystal N. Finnie, Kevin Washington, Selena D. Coulta, Sheeria Franklin, Erica Freeman, Catarica Rodgers, Brandi Terrell, Morris Doyle, Nakia Dowdy, Kenesha Payne, Ebony Stone, Latoya Henderson, Shannon Martin, Shawn Bragg, Marquita Palmoo, Willie Simmons, Nick Anderson, Patria Bryant, Tabetha Brown, Tina Hines, Allen S. Franklin, Rapheal Poole, Cammie Thomas, Clinton Smith, Derrita Mobley, Carlos Richardson, Crystal Watson, James Boone, Cherentia Franklin, Tikeya Morris, Toya Bond, Shekia Mouing, Carter Eugene, James Boone, Carlos Richardson, Crystal Watson, Cherentia Franklin, LaDonna Boyd, Morris Reed, Devin Williams, Jerome Jackson, Chris Demble, Mariario Blair, Darrell Williams,

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Hamilton High School.—Kehli Bynum, Sharonda Walker, Ca'Tron Robinson, Thais K. Polk, Jeremy Watkins, Mario Albright, RaDonna Hobbs, April Potter, Candace Posey, Lakesha Omill, Oynesha Bolden, Tekesha Johnson, Sherry Heggett, Sherita Fleming, Courtney Williams, Quincey E. Martin, Jaida McKay, Kehin Mays, Tamara Britt, Shawn Partee, Marquis Shaw, Tomy Thomas, Tamika Foster, Lonnetta Wright, Frank Jones, Bryan Franklin, Shaumall Cheers, Eva Mitchell, Sandra Calvin, Beltina Watkins, Lattie Jenkins, Thomas Alexander, Terrence D. Sims, Teena M. Ayers, Tita Doggett, Christine Clark, Tanesha Bates, Ericka Strong, Darrell M. Parrett, Renondia S. Patterson, Tenika R. Rose, Robert Humphrey, Angela Green, Monique Galloway, Candis Echols, Patrick Gillespie, Bruce Eason, Darrick Elliott, Beverly Deje, Tamara Edmundson, Yolanda Bruce, Sonya Johnson, Marcus Miller, Diandria B. Wash, Donald Hines, Kimberly B. Carpenter, and Ashley Williams.

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Oliver, Cortney Polk, Darvin Oliver, Demitrius Jones, David Payne, Valerie Birth, Tiffany Brance, Dala Ahmed, Courtney Munnis, and Marshita Walks.

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Briarcrest Christian School.—Brian Wagner, Lauren Wilkey, Elizabeth Smith, Josie Williams, Erica Wyatt, Corrie Stauffer, Laura Williams, Drew Abiz, Chris Moore, Jeremy Moore, Missy Patrick, Lauren Owens, Andy McIntyre, Kayce Morris, Charles Pemberton, Jonathon Phillips, Cannon Morris, Mike Moore, Emily Newson, Malak Moustafa, Nicole Morrison, Meg Malone, John Farley, Adrienne Miller, Brad Colonna, P.J. Redmond, Paige Ashburn, Josie Rote, Ryan Ringley, Morgan Jones, Sarah Copeland, Jenni Romanow, Ally Wutse, Elissa McCarty, Melody Mullins, Gavin Beasley, Kristin Murdock, Daniel Cares, Brian Watson, Lauren Yohanek, Karen Stimpson, Amber West, Alice Willett, Eva Five, Tricia Wiles, Elizabeth Straube, Andrea Welb, Wesley Eoff, Ashley Pulliam, Will Wright, Karen Stevenson, Mark Russell, Matt Gates, Christy Wescott, Kelly Doughtary, Lindsey Miles, Jessica Williams, Alison Howe, Blake Snyder, Rachel Jaddia, Noah Bishop, Julie Black, Beth Hamilton, Annie Yancey, Grethchen Strickland, Leslieanne Stacey, Taryn Ellesworth, Jeff Gold, Eric Gleuu, John Henderson, Scott Grecham, Suzanne Harris, Nicci Harell, Paul Grimes, David Phillipps, Martha Walker, Megan Dufouty, John Duyer, Alicia Dean, Joy Robinson, Sarah Thompson, Courtney Worley, Lauren Massengill, Katie Worley, Erin Leport, Laura Reddick, Joseph Hill, Matthew Kiefer, Jonathon Burlison, Katie Long, Drew Joyner, Rhyne Putman, Olivia Clifford, Kathryn Anne Cogart, Kellie Edmundson, Betsy Comella, Jonathon Chu, Angii Earhart, Wesley Day, Christi Dawson, Robby Donaldson, Reid Garrett, Matthew Grear, Jeff Grimes, Doug Jora, Tim Hook, David Haren, Callie Kraus, Kevin Glenn, Lisa Harkin, Courtney James, Robert Hill, Brad Huluprik, Brad Rulerun, Paige Ashburn, Brandon Tom, Wesley Montague, Drew Johnson, Charles Reynolds, Stephanie Sutterfield, Brad Young, Charles Haig, Katherine Werr, Scottie Fleming, Molly Ince, Courtney Pierce, Nicholas Kieth, Brent Lyon, Jenny James, Dustin May, C. Boyle, Christine Smith, Omal Cates, Rachel Duffey, John McCommon, Callie Milan, Kristen Murdock, Casey Thornton, Ashley Eason, Elizabeth Whaley, Justin Wright, Lindsey Wildman, Rachel Walter, Elizabeth Snyder, Lindsey Wenner, Garrett Vaughn, Megan Thielemer, and Allison York.

Central High School.—Tephane Rainey, John Rogers, John Sanders, Harold Robinson, William Richardson, Antionette Pritchard, Melanie Walker, Natasha Richardson, Erica Pilgram, Glenda Sims, Syaria Nathan, Damitra Scott, Berati Bub, Justyn Robinson, Erika Shannon, Patricia Kee, Charillai Wooten, Charla Webster, Jevita Taylor, Julius Stokes, Tracee Prewitt, Kamesha Reed, Erika Madlock, James Kendrick, Sydney Love, Robyn Trilliams, Sadrigiez Mallett, Tequilina Taylor, Jordan On, Nicole Merten, Crystall Russell, Jocelyn Washington, Evancee Wilson, Anthony Underwood, Antonio McCall, Tyrus William, Richard Trinkett, Derick Milan, Ashley Taylor, Erickia Vaughn, Devin Cruthcher, Bree Curry, Erika Vickqall, Elisha Chestar, Roger Clieves, Reico Collins, Tiffany Knight, Packer Pissnay, Sharice Thompson, Shannon White, Michael Woods, Tera Wilson, Antonio Foster, Marcus Taylor, Tnya Robinson, Alisha Westbrook, Allisius Williams, Justin Evans, Julian Willis, Andrea Wheeler, Clem Wright, Lia White, Larita Webb, Carl Marley, Sarah Wrianduire, Michelle White, Erica Rogers, Jackie Robinson, Shernard Walton, Pamela Campbell, Marcus Newman, Phui Pich, Synetta Clayton, Lakisha Ramsey, Mareica Smith, Michelle Harris,

Nate Frazier, Jade Gior, Tamaria Bridgeforth, Tara Harris, Sashee Hawkins, Dayna Gibles, Sheila Barrison, Emorycarlos Gordon, Tacarra Hodges, Cassi Jordan, Michael Hodge, Latrice Stewart, Sharon Smith, Melissa Green, Ebonie Holmes, Kerri Jones, Alita Humt, Andrea Hardin, Derrick Granderson, Lakisha Murph, Liontyn Pryne, Charles Darner, Tyfany Nathan, Waywotta Mosley, Michael Owens, Marhesia Moody, Erica Humphrey, Jackqueline Newson, Chauncey Owens, Kristoph Dous, Marcus Johnson, Darnisha Bridgeforth, and Temper Phillips.

Frayser High School.—Asley Jack, Talitha Hamilton, Derrick Hollaway, Jeanette Fisher, Luvania Keys, Erica Eason, Nicole Banks, Lakiesha Hunt, Erica Wells, Kim Ballentine, Donnie Mitchell, Jerry Durner, John Boall, Charlotte Robertson, Chris Cullier, Jessica Cook, Terronce Crawford, Kerissa Clark, Yerinda McClinton, Stephanie King, Apee Hope, Alfred Davis, Frederick Jordan, Darron Malte, Samuel McConnell, Kimberly Townsend, Crystal Meeke, Tamara Thomas, Danielle Williams, Justin Walker, Adam Wade, Kendal Hall, Danisha Harbin, Marcus Swatt, Ricky Washington, Melissa Blue, Tandaneisha McFerrer, Jackson Hutchinson, Lakeisha Spight, Mitchell Hard, John, Pomfret, Princeton Wilson, Kilan Londy, Yang Lin, Steven Crawford, George Cul, Dewete Dugger, Robert Fiak, Travis Butler, Courtney Woods, Jeremy Cook, Lasonya Curry, Laketa Byrd, Alexis Cooper, Risha Matting, Nadia Smith, Nikia Shields, Tara Long, Corey Washington, Sheddric Ray, Melomise Felix, Ashley Hicks, Lakita Davis, Tamara Ward, Marjuita Walton, Rashad Robinson, Lashaquita Nix, Tieares Sims, Dynasty Peete, Persha Johnson, Tiffany Burton, Shanna Layrock, Lavonne Williamson, Shy Watson, Derrick Battle, Jaquiese Larry, Shakita Thomas, Dominique Casey, Senobia Rogers, Quincey Willborn, Lakeisha Brown, Tamika Milan, Alla Kyles, Malishan Stigger, Desiree Bullard, Amy Dobbins, Travis Thompson, T'sis Thomas, Camise Ddandridge, Denrell Walls, Venesia Humphrey, Carl Layhr, Quinton Ray, Tamioka Works, Contisa Mathews, Gabrielle Oliver, Cornelius Yancy, Cristen Young, Brenda Reyes, Laheyda Wakefield, Henry Foreman, Carlos Eddius, Lakesheya Nelson, Camille Adams, Sherrod Smith, Ashley Hill, Michael Sharp, Paul Cartem, Jarvis Smith, Trenton Flemmins, Lashell Abston, Tiffany Burks, Wanda Bailey, Tamika Ward, Lakesha Oneal, Renata Mosby, Byron Bell, Christina Williams, Marquette Walker, Kendra Collins, Monica Royal, Tiffany Smith, Alilcia Cleaves, Marcus Brans, Tamekia Mosby, Darrin Gandy, Michelle Green, Lakeisha Ware, Antonio Hibbler, Caurtesia Shawcoant, Marra Wallace, Carcheon Calloway, Tawanda Williams, Angel Hollowell, Barbara Gant, Elinor Cleaves, Kevin Birch, Jaweka Betts, Tania Combs, Chasity Allen, George Webster, Chearm Meggan, Jessica Young, Asia King, Anesha Holmes, Erving Lewis, Lakenshea Bell, Stacey Holbon, Katrina Becton, Dorothy Carter, Erin P. Evan, Trineka Brown, Audria Ardison, Ciena Bibbs, Catisa Proctor, Erika Bennett, Jarvis Taylor, Esqua Brown, Bodney Bolden, Ricardo Anthony, Mac Hasha, Mac Pinney, Michael Nabors, Latoria Jones, Alteena Edwards, Gloria Williams, Tiffany Hill, Shannon Jessey, Sheledal Hayworth, Hanley Young, Rodney Royers, Zippora Lawson, Erick Terry, Herbert Johnson, Lonniel Williams, Fredric Harriett, Renelde Andrews, Aquariees Anderson, Kendria Andrews, Courtney Mass, Erica Carlock, Pam Dickerson, Columbus Williams, Lionel Blockshire, Chris Evans, Latasha Ross, Tymissa Brooks, Monica Harrell, Nicole Chares, Wilbert Smith, Maurice

Shields, Justin Smith, Hillary Nutz, Donald Schmith, Terri Johnson, Carnika Toliver, Sherica Elliot, Kyna Gray, Kelli Puckett, Menisha Moore, Crystal Thomas, Demetria Dotch, Mylenkia Willer, Margita Douglas, Leia Giray, Bianna Thomas, Duntinese Davis, Eric Porter, Dorian Ross, Shanikka Hayes, Sriez Phannarath, Jamaal Rufus, Dudie Cannon, Arcka Simmons, Kimberly Spight, Shanika Brown, Terrance Williams, Christopher Sain, Bridget Barr, April Jamison, Tameka Burns, Stephanie Scott, Charles Douglas, Travis Williams, and LaToya Johnson.

SAILORS OF USS "REGISTER" AND USS "INDIANAPOLIS"

HON. SILVESTRE REYES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 1998

Mr. REYES. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize 15–21, 1998, survivors of the USS *Register* and USS *Indianapolis* will be having their reunion in El Paso, Texas at the Howard Johnson Lodge.

The USS *Indianapolis* (CA–35) was commissioned at the Philadelphia Navy Yard on November 15, 1932. The ship served with honor from Pear Harbor through the last campaign of World War II, sinking in action two weeks before the end of the war. On July 30, 1945, while sailing from Guam to Leyte, the USS *Indianapolis* was torpedoed by Japanese submarine I–58. The ship capsized and sank in twelve minutes. Survivors were spotted by a patrol aircraft on August 2nd. All air and surface units capable for rescue operations were dispatched to the scene at once. The USS *Register* was among the several ships involved in the rescue. Upon completion of the day and night search on August 8, 316 men were rescued out of a crew of 1,199.

The USS *Register* (APD–92/DE233) served in the Pacific Theater of operation as an attack personnel destroyer during World War II. On May 20, 1945, the ship survived a hit by a Japanese Kamikaze plane off the island of Okinawa, sustaining casualties and heavy hull damages, after shooting down three enemy suicide planes. On August 3rd, the USS *Register* was among eight ships that rescued some survivors of the ill-fated USS *Indianapolis*.

After distinguished service, the USS *Register* was decommissioned March 31, 1946 at Green Cove Springs, Florida on the Saint Johns River. In the Spring of 1966 it was struck from the Naval Reserve Fleet and subsequently transferred to the Republic of China Navy and renamed the *Tai Shan*.

We the surviving shipmates of the USS *Register* and the survivors of the USS *Indianapolis* value the memories of their service in the United States Navy and our shipmates who are no longer with us and are not forgotten for their distinguished service and eternal brotherhood. Rest in peace shipmates. On their behalf, we honor them and Paul James Register, for whom our ship was named for, who was killed in action while serving aboard the ill-fated USS *Arizona*, December 7, 1941 at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.—Service members of the USS *Register* and *Indianapolis*

The sailors of the USS *Register* and *Indianapolis* served the United States of America

with honor and distinction. These veterans of WWII contributed to end the war in the Pacific and the war as a whole. They deserve a page hi history, for their story is a reminder of all the servicemen and women who gave their lives to preserve the freedoms that we take for granted today.

TRIBUTE TO JACK SIZEMORE

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 1998

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the lifetime of contributions that Mr. Jack Sizemore has made to our community and district. On this, the occasion of his retirement, I wish to thank this tireless advocate for the workers and families of our community for his ardent support of our district and Northwest Ohio. The position from which he is retiring, Director of Region 2–B of the United Auto Workers Union and member of the UAW International Executive Board, represents the pinnacle of a long and dedicated career.

Born and educated in Toledo, at Whitener High School. The University of Toledo, Mr. Sizemore went to work as a precision grinder in the same Dana Corporation plant that employed his father producing heavy-duty transmissions. He wasted no time becoming involved in the union, UAW Local 12, and won election as a steward in the Dana Unit one year after beginning his employment. Three years later, he was elected as a member of the unit's shop committee and a UAW Convention delegate.

When the UAW Dana National Negotiating Committee was founded in 1967, Mr. Sizemore was on board as a member. He participated in national bargaining with the committee until 1974. He was also Vice President of the UAW Dana Council and Chairperson of the Dana Unit Shop Committee during that same time. Before being elected as Director of UAW Region 2–B in 1986, he served as International Representative and Assistant Director. Throughout his career he has fought for the Herment of The standard of living for all our citizenry.

Mr. Sizemore's presence has not been limited to the labor community. He has given his time and energy in the education, sports and business circles of Toledo. He is a member of the University of Toledo Board of Trustees, the Private Industry council of Toledo, the Board of Trustees of the United Way and St. Vincent Hospital, to name a few. He is also active in the Democratic party, serving on the State Executive Committee and Democratic National Committee.

During all this service, he and his wife, Carol, have raised eight children and are enjoying the blessing of fifteen grandchildren. As he completes his tenure as dealership of the United Auto Workers, our entire community warmly congratulates him for his steady leadership and careful negotiating skills that have retained jobs, upgraded our way of life, and given strength to the cause of workers throughout our nation. Godspeed to Jack and Carol and their family in years hence