

EC-6767. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting; Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations on Certain Federal Indian Reservations and Ceded Lands for the 1998-99 Early Season" (RIN1018-AE93) received on September 2, 1998; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6768. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's report on the cost of operating privately owned vehicles; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6769. A communication from the Chairman of the Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's report under the Inspector General Act and the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6770. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of additions and deletions to the Committee's Procurement List; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6771. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report "Health, United States, 1998"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-6772. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Improving and Eliminating Regulations: Flame Safety Lamps and Single-Shot Blasting Units" (RIN1219-AA98) received on September 7, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-6773. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Device Reporting; Manufacturer Reporting, Importer Reporting, User Facility Reporting, Distributor Reporting" (Docket 98N-0170) received on September 2, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-6774. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indirect Food Additives: Adjuncts, Production Aids, and Sanitizers (polymer stabilizer)" (Docket 98F-0057) received on September 2, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-6775. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Radiology Devices; Classifications for Five Medical Image Management Devices; Correction" (Docket 96N-0320) received on September 2, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-6776. A communication from the Acting Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Natural Rubber-Containing Medical Devices; User Labeling; Cold Seal Adhesives, Partial Stay" (Docket 96N-0119) received on September 7, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-6777. A communication from the Acting Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administra-

tion, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amended Economic Impact Analysis of Final Rule Requiring Use of Labeling on Natural Rubber Containing Devices" (Docket 96N-0119) received on September 7, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 1736. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for vessel BETTY JANE (Rept. No. 105-314).

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1802. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Surface Transportation Board for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001 (Rept. No. 105-315).

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment:

S. 2096. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel FOILCAT (Rept. No. 105-316).

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with amendments:

S. 2124. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for the Maritime Administration and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-317).

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 2139. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel YESTERDAYS DREAM (Rept. No. 105-318).

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1770. A bill to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service to Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, to provide for the organizational independence of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-319).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 469. A bill to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System (Rept. No. 105-320).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 1663. A bill to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law (Rept. No. 105-321).

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 1998. A bill to authorize an interpretive center and related visitor facilities within the Four Corners Monument Tribal Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-322).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 2186. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming (Rept. No. 105-323).

S. 2272. A bill to amend the boundaries of Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana (Rept. No. 105-324).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

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

S. 2450. A bill to make technical corrections to the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. COVERDELL:

S. 2451. A bill to improve protection and management of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area in the State of Georgia; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2452. A bill to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to require States receiving funds under section 106 of such Act to have in effect a State law providing for a criminal penalty on an individual who fails to report witnessing another individual engaging in sexual abuse of a child; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. ROTH:

S. 2453. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the credit for producing electricity from certain renewable resources; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. NICKLES):

S. 2454. A bill to provide for competition between forms of motor vehicle insurance, to permit an owner of a motor vehicle to choose the most appropriate form of insurance for that person, to guarantee affordable premiums, to provide for more adequate and timely compensation for accident victims, and for other purposes; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BOND (for himself, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CONRAD, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERREY, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. Res. 273. A resolution recognizing the historic home run record set by Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals on September 8, 1998; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FORD:

S. Res. 274. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate that the Louisville Festival of Faiths should be commended and should serve as model for similar festivals in other communities throughout the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

S. 2450. A bill to make technical corrections to the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

THE LORTON TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT OF 1998

• Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, today I introduce the Lorton Technical Corrections Act of 1998, along with my colleague Senator ROBB.

As you know, I along with my colleague Congressman TOM DAVIS and the rest of the delegation from the Commonwealth of Virginia succeeded in 1997, in passing the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act to close the Lorton Complex in its entirety, and relocate prisoners to other facilities outside of northern Virginia.

Under this act, transfer of the Lorton facility would go to the control of the U.S. Department of the Interior after 2001. Since that time, however, discussions with both the affected communities and the Department of Interior have concluded that this is not the best option for ultimate disposal of this property, and that the General Services Administration would be a better agency to assume title to the property for ultimate disposal.

Fairfax County would then be able to submit a reuse plan to the General Services Administration delineating preferred permissible or required uses of the land. It should also be noted that the Department of Interior will still have the authority to use a portion of this property for land exchange, to expand the properties of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service properties, as originally envisioned.

I look forward to working with my colleagues to resolve this most important issue.●

By Mr. COVERDELL:

S. 2451. A bill to improve protection and management of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area in the State of Georgia; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

CHATTAHOOCHEE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA BOUNDARIES LEGISLATION

• Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, today I introduce legislation which would modify the boundaries of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area to protect and preserve the endangered Chattahoochee River and provide additional recreation opportunities for the citizens of Georgia and our nation. This legislation authorizes the creation of a greenway buffer between the river and private development to prevent further pollution from continued development, provide flood and erosion control, and maintain water quality for safe drinking water and for the fish and wildlife dependent on the river system. In addition, this legislation promotes private-public partnerships by authorizing \$25 million in federal funds for land acquisition for the recreation area. This \$25 million will be matched by private funds but

only if Congress acts quickly. The State of Georgia, private foundations, corporate entities, private individuals, and others have already given or pledged tens of millions of dollars to protect and preserve the Chattahoochee River for future generations of Georgians to enjoy.

The legislation I introduce today is a Senate companion to legislation introduced by Speaker of the House NEWT GINGRICH. I applaud the leadership Speaker GINGRICH has shown on this important issue. It is crucial for Congress to act quickly on this legislation in order to protect the Chattahoochee River, a vital natural resource. I look forward to working with my colleagues in the Senate on this proposal and urge its speedy consideration.●

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2452. A bill to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to require States receiving funds under section 106 of such act to have in effect a State law providing for a criminal penalty on an individual who fails to report witnessing another individual engaging in sexual abuse of a child; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

SHERRICE IVERSON ACT

• Mr. BOXER. Mr. President, I am pleased to join Congressman NICK LAMPSON of Texas today in introducing the Sherrice Iverson Act. This "good samaritan" legislation is named in honor of the 7-year old girl molested and murdered in a Nevada casino in May of 1997, while a bystander did nothing.

Nevada authorities report this vicious attack was at least partially witnessed by David Cash, Jr. the best friend of the assailant. Mr. Cash was in a position to stop this brutal murder, yet he did nothing. He then failed to report the crime to the proper authorities. Nevada officials considered prosecuting Mr. Cash for his callous disregard of human life but found no legal basis for a criminal prosecution.

Nevada officials had no legal recourse because the state does not have a "good Samaritan" law requiring witnesses to report crimes to the proper authorities.

This is wrong and we need to address that aspect of our laws. That is exactly what the Service Iverson Act does. It requires that states pass laws requiring witnesses of child sexual abuse to report that crime to the police. If they do not pass such laws, states would become ineligible for federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act funds. The details of these laws, including the penalties imposed, are left to the states.

The bill only requires people to report the crimes they witness; it does not require them to intervene in potentially dangerous situations. Only two states, Vermont and Minnesota, currently have such "good samaritan" laws.

I want to thank Representative NICK LAMPSON for all his hard work on this

issue, and I look forward to working with him to pass this important legislation; I ask unanimous consent that the text of this bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

S. 2452

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 "Sherrice Iverson Act".

SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT ON STATES RECEIVING GRANTS FOR CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION AND TREATMENT PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 106(b)(2) of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (42 U.S.C. 5106a(b)(2)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (C), by striking "and" at the end;

(2) in subparagraph (D), by striking the period at the end and inserting "and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(E) an assurance in the form of a certification by the chief executive officer of the State that the State has in effect and is enforcing a State law providing for a criminal penalty on an individual 18 years of age or older who fails to report to a State or local law enforcement official that the individual has witnessed another individual in the State engaging in sexual abuse of a child."

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on December 31, 2004.●

By Mr. ROTH:

S. 2453. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the credit for producing electricity from certain renewable resources; to the Committee on Finance.

POULTRY ELECTRIC ENERGY POWER LEGISLATION

Mr. ROTH. Mr. President, today I introduce legislation that would amend section 45 of the Internal Revenue Code to provide a tax credit to biomass energy facilities that use chicken manure as fuel.

Joining me as original cosponsors are Senators BIDEN, MIKULSKI, SARBANES, JEFFORDS, HARKIN, HELMS, HUCHINSON, and BUMPERS.

Mr. President, I am bullish on poultry's future in America. It is hard not to be with world-wide poultry consumption growing at double-digit rates.

In the United States, poultry production has tripled since 1975. We now produce almost 8 billion chickens a year to feed the growing world-wide demand for poultry.

In particular, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia produce some of the world's finest poultry. Just last year Delmarva poultry farmers produced over 600 million chickens. Our poultry farmers are among the most productive and efficient in the world.

As the amount of chickens we produce as a nation has grown, so too has the amount of manure.

Due to environmental pressures, spreading manure on land is no longer an option in some areas for our rapidly growing poultry industry.

In the United Kingdom, several companies have been able to do what medieval alchemists dreamed of—turning a base element into gold—in this case an agricultural waste product into electricity.

The UK has two utility plants that use poultry manure to generate electricity. These two poultry power plants will, when combined with a third scheduled to open this fall, burn 50 percent of the UK's total volume of chicken manure.

The electricity generated by these plants will supply enough power for 100,000 homes. These plants have the support of both the poultry industry and the international environmental community.

The way this system works is simple.

Power stations buy poultry manure from surrounding poultry farmers and transport it to the power station. At the station the manure is burned in a furnace at high temperatures, heating water in a boiler to produce steam which drives a turbine linked to a generator. The electricity is then transferred to the local electricity grid.

It is then used to supply electricity to commercial and residential customers.

There are no waste products created through this process. Instead, a valuable by-product emerges in the form of a nitrogen-free ash, which is marketed as an environmentally friendly fertilizer.

The legislation I am introducing today will provide a tax credit to energy facilities that use poultry manure as a fuel to generate electricity.

It will build on concepts in the tax code that provide incentives for environmentally friendly energy production.

I am introducing this legislation in an effort to encourage the development of another environmentally-friendly method of producing electricity, while at the same time tackling a thorny animal waste disposal problem.

This legislation will provide incentives to build an energy plant that will not only dispose of poultry manure and create clean electricity, but will also supply our nation's farmers with a clean fertilizer free of nitrates.

I urge my colleagues to join me in cosponsoring my bill, the Poultry Electric Energy Power Act, affectionately known as the PEEP Act. It is important for future generations that we continue to explore green technologies that will protect our environment.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 466

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 466, a bill to reduce gun trafficking by prohibiting bulk purchases of handguns.

S. 1295

At the request of Mr. REID, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1295, a bill to provide for dropout prevention.

S. 1873

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. COATS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1873, a bill to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system capable of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack.

S. 1993

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1993, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to adjust the formula used to determine costs limits for home health agencies under medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 2017

At the request of Mr. D'AMATO, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2017, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide medical assistance for breast and cervical cancer-related treatment services to certain women screened and found to have breast or cervical cancer under a Federally funded screening program.

S. 2083

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2083, A bill to provide for Federal class action reform, and for other purposes.

S. 2180

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2180, a bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to clarify liability under that Act for certain recycling transactions.

S. 2201

At the request of Mr. TORRICELLI, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2201, a bill to delay the effective date of the final rule promulgated by the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network.

S. 2233

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) the Senator from Ohio (Mr. GLENN) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 2233, a bill to amend section 29 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the placed in service date for biomass and coal facilities.

S. 2296

At the request of Mr. MACK, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2296, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the

limitation on the amount of receipts attributable to military property which may be treated as exempt foreign trade income.

S. 2308

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2308, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to prohibit transfers or discharges of residents of nursing facilities as a result of a voluntary withdrawal from participation in the medicaid program.

S. 2323

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS) and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM) were added as cosponsors of S. 2323, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to home health services under the medicare program.

S. 2422

At the request of Mr. MACK, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2422, a bill to provide incentives for states to establish and administer periodic teacher testing and merit pay programs for elementary school and secondary teachers.

S. 2432

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2432, a bill to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 2448

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BUMPERS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2448, a bill to amend title V of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, relating to public policy goals and real estate appraisals, to amend section 7(a) of the Small Business Act, relating to interest rates and real estate appraisals, and to amend section 7(m) of the Small Business Act with respect to the loan loss reserve requirements for intermediaries, and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 108

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. FAIRCLOTH) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. MACK) were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 108, a concurrent resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3554

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. GLENN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3554 proposed to S. 2237, an