

Clark Expedition, and for other purposes.

S. 2281

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2281, a bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to eliminate disincentives to fair trade conditions.

S. 2283

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2283, a bill to support sustainable and broad-based agricultural and rural development in sub-Saharan Africa, and for other purposes.

S. 2295

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2295, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to extend the authorizations of appropriations for that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2296

At the request of Mr. MACK, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. GRAMS) were added as cosponsors 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. 2335

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2335, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve efforts to combat medicare fraud, waste, and abuse.

S. 2354

At the request of Mr. BOND, the names of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY) and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. ASHCROFT) were added as cosponsors of S. 2354, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to impose a moratorium on the implementation of the per beneficiary limits under the interim payment system for home health agencies, and to modify the standards for calculating the per visit cost limits and the rates for prospective payment systems under the medicare home health benefit to achieve fair reimbursement payment rates, and for other purposes.

S. 2364

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2364, a bill to reauthorize and make reforms to programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965.

S. 2376

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2376, A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for land sales for conservation purposes.

S. 2383

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2383, A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to reform the provisions relating to child labor.

S. 2412

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. BRYAN), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) were added as cosponsors of S. 2412, a bill to create employment opportunities and to promote economic growth establishing a public-private partnership between the United States travel and tourism industry and every level of government to work to make the United States the premiere travel and tourism destination in the world, and for other purposes.

S. 2425

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. GRAMS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2425, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional tax incentives for education.

S. 2445

At the request of Mr. THOMPSON, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), and the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2445, a bill to provide that the formulation and implementation of policies by Federal departments and agencies shall follow the principles of federalism, and for other purposes.

S. 2448

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND) was added as a cosponsor 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.

S. 2453

At the request of Mr. ROTH, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ROBB) were added as cosponsors of S. 2453, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the credit for producing electricity from certain renewable resources.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 108

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) and the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) 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.

SENATE RESOLUTION 259

At the request of Mr. THURMOND, the names of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND), and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 259, a resolution designating the week beginning September 20, 1998, as "National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week," and for other purposes.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1999DASCHLE (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 3580

Mr. HARKIN (for Mr. DASCHLE for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KERREY, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mr. BINGAMAN) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 2237) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end of the bill, insert the following:

TITLE VII—EMERGENCY AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE**SEC. 701. MARKETING ASSISTANCE LOANS.**

(a) MARKETING ASSISTANCE LOANS.—

(1) LOAN RATES.—Notwithstanding section 132 of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7232), for crop year 1998, loan rates for a loan commodity (as defined in section 102 of that Act (7 U.S.C. 7202)), other than rice, shall not be subject to any dollar limitation on loan rates prescribed under subsection (a)(1)(B), (b)(1)(B), (c)(2), (d)(2), (f)(1)(B), or (f)(2)(B) of section 132 of that Act.

(2) RICE.—Notwithstanding section 132(e) of that Act, for crop year 1998, the loan rate for a marketing assistance loan under section 131 of that Act (7 U.S.C. 7231) for rice shall be not less than the greater of—

(A) \$6.50 per hundredweight; or

(B) 85 percent of the simple average price received by producers of rice, as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture, during the marketing years for the immediately preceding 5 crops of rice, excluding the year in which the average price was the highest and the year in which the average price was the lowest in the period.

(3) TERM OF LOAN.—Notwithstanding section 133(c) of that Act (7 U.S.C. 7233(c)), for crop year 1998, the Secretary may extend the term of a marketing assistance loan for any loan commodity for a period not to exceed 6 months.

(b) APPLICATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The authority provided by this section applies to the 1998 crop of a loan commodity.

(2) LOANS.—This section applies to a marketing assistance loan for a loan commodity made under subtitle C of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7231 et seq.) for the 1998 crop year before, on, or after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 702. EMERGENCY STORAGE PAYMENTS.

Subtitle C of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7231 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 138. EMERGENCY STORAGE PAYMENTS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—

“(1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may provide storage payments to producers on a farm to encourage the producers to place all or part of eligible cropland devoted to the 1998 crop of wheat or feed grains under a marketing assistance loan under section 131 if the Secretary determines that the wheat or feed grains are in abundant supply and that providing storage payments is an appropriate means of facilitating the orderly marketing of the commodities and alleviating burdens on commodity transportation and marketing systems.

“(2) PARTICIPATION.—The Secretary shall ensure that producers are afforded a fair and equitable opportunity to receive the storage payments, taking into account regional differences in the time of harvest.

“(b) STORAGE PAYMENTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Payments for the storage of wheat or feed grains under this section shall be made in such amounts and under such conditions as the Secretary determines are appropriate to encourage producers to place wheat or feed grains under marketing assistance loans.

“(2) TIMING.—Storage payments under this section may be made in advance.

“(3) DURATION.—The Secretary shall cease making storage payments under this section—

“(A) in the case of wheat, during any period in which the price of wheat is equal to or exceeds \$4.00 a bushel;

“(B) in the case of corn, during any period in which the price of corn is equal to or exceeds \$2.75 a bushel;

“(C) in the case of any other feed grain, during any period in which the price of the other feed grain is equal to or exceeds an amount that is equivalent to the rate for corn specified in subparagraph (B), as determined by the Secretary; and

“(D) in the case of wheat or any feed grain, during the 90-day period immediately following the last day on which the price of wheat or the feed grain was equal to or in excess of the levels established under subparagraph (A), (B), or (C).

“(4) COMPARABILITY OF STORAGE PAYMENTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), in making storage payments to producers under this section and to commercial warehouses in accordance with the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714 et seq.), the Commodity Credit Corporation and the Secretary shall, to the maximum extent practicable, ensure that the rates of the storage payments paid to producers are equivalent to the average rates paid for commercial storage, taking into account the demand for storage for commodities, efficiency, location, regulatory compliance costs, bonding requirements, and the impact of user fees, as determined by the Secretary.

“(B) NO INCREASE IN OUTLAYS.—The rates paid to producers and commercial warehouses shall be established at rates that will result in no increase in current or projected combined outlays of the Commodity Credit Corporation for the storage payments made to producers and commercial warehouses as a result of the adjustment of storage rates under this section.

“(c) QUANTITY OF COMMODITIES ELIGIBLE FOR STORAGE PAYMENTS.—The Secretary may establish maximum quantities of wheat and feed grains that may be eligible for storage payments under this section that do not exceed—

“(1) in the case of wheat, 450,000,000 bushels; and

“(2) in the case of feed grains, 1,000,000,000 bushels.

“(d) TERM OF LOAN.—Notwithstanding section 133(c), the Secretary may extend the term of a marketing assistance loan for each of the 1998 crops of wheat and feed grains for a period such that the total loan period does not exceed 15 months.

“(e) USE OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION.—The Secretary shall use the Commodity Credit Corporation, to the maximum extent practicable, to carry out this section.

“(f) ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY.—The authority provided by this section shall be in addition to other authorities available to the Secretary for carrying out producer loan and storage operation programs.”.

SEC. 703. RESERVE INVENTORIES.

(a) APPROPRIATION.—For the reserve established under section 813 of the Agricultural Act of 1970 (7 U.S.C. 1427a), \$1,500,000,000.

(b) IMPROVEMENTS.—Section 813 of the Agricultural Act of 1970 (7 U.S.C. 1427a) is amended—

(1) in the first sentence of subsection (a), by inserting “of agricultural producers” after “distress”;

(2) in subsection (c), by inserting “the Secretary or” after “President or”; and

(3) in subsection (h)—

(A) by striking “(h) There is hereby” and inserting the following:

“(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—There are”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) USE OF FUNDS FOR CASH PAYMENTS.—The Secretary may use funds made available under this section to make, in a manner consistent with this section, cash payments that don’t go for crop disasters, but for income loss to carry out the purposes of this section.”.

SEC. 704. LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT.

(a) DOMESTIC MARKET REPORTING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 203(g) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622(g)) is amended—

(A) by striking “(g) To” and inserting the following:

“(g) COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF MARKETING INFORMATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized and directed to”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) DOMESTIC MARKET REPORTING.—

“(A) MANDATORY REPORTING PILOT PROGRAM.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause (v), the Secretary shall conduct a 3-year pilot program under which the Secretary shall require any person or class of persons engaged in the business of buying, selling, or marketing livestock, livestock products, meat, or meat products in an unmanufactured form to report to the Secretary (or a person designated by the Secretary) in such manner as the Secretary shall require, such information relating to prices and the terms of sale for the procurement of livestock, livestock products, meat, or meat products in an unmanufactured form as the Secretary determines is necessary to carry out this subsection.

“(ii) NONCOMPLIANCE.—It shall be unlawful for a person engaged in the business of buying, selling, or marketing livestock, livestock products, meat, or meat products in an unmanufactured form to knowingly fail or refuse to provide to the Secretary information required to be reported under subparagraph (A).

“(iii) CEASE AND DESIST AND CIVIL PENALTY.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary has reason to believe that a person engaged in the business of buying, selling, or marketing livestock, livestock products, meat, or meat products in an unmanufactured form is violating the provisions of subparagraph (A) (or

regulation promulgated under subparagraph (A)), the Secretary after notice and opportunity for hearing, may make an order to cease and desist from continuing the violation and assess a civil penalty of not more than \$10,000 for each violation.

“(II) CONSIDERATIONS.—In determining the amount of a civil penalty to be assessed under clause (i), the Secretary shall consider the gravity of the offense, the size of the business involved, and the effect of the penalty on the ability of the person to continue in business.

“(iv) REFERRAL TO ATTORNEY GENERAL.—If, after expiration of the period for appeal or after the affirmance of a civil penalty assessed under clause (iii), the person against whom the civil penalty is assessed fails to pay the civil penalty, the Secretary may refer the matter to the Attorney General, who may recover the amount of the civil penalty in a civil action in United States district court.

“(v) APPLICATION.—This subparagraph shall apply only to a person that is engaged in the business of buying, selling, or marketing at least 10 percent of the livestock, livestock products, meat, or meat products bought, sold, or marketed in the United States.

“(B) VOLUNTARY REPORTING.—The Secretary shall encourage voluntary reporting by persons engaged in the business of buying, selling, or marketing livestock, livestock products, meats, or meat products in an unmanufactured form that are not subjected to a mandatory reporting requirement under subparagraph (A).

“(C) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.—The Secretary shall make information received under this paragraph available to the public only in a form that ensures that—

“(i) the identity of the person submitting a report is not disclosed; and

“(ii) the confidentiality of proprietary business information is otherwise protected.

“(D) EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS.—Nothing in this paragraph restricts or modifies the authority of the Secretary to collect voluntary reports in accordance with other provisions of law.”.

(2) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 203 of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622) is amended—

(A) by striking “The Secretary is directed and authorized to”; and

(B) in the first sentence of each of subsections (a) through (f) and subsections (h) through (n), by striking “To” and inserting “The Secretary is authorized and directed to”.

(b) PROHIBITION ON NONCOMPETITIVE PRACTICES.—Section 202 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 192), is amended—

(1) in subsection (g), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(h) Engage in any practice or device that the Secretary by regulation, after consultation with producers of cattle, lamb, and hogs, and other persons in the cattle, lamb, and hog industries, determines is a detrimental noncompetitive practice or device relating to the price or a term of sale for the procurement of livestock or the sale of meat or other byproduct of slaughter.”.

(c) PROTECTION OF LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS AGAINST RETALIATION BY PACKERS.—

(1) RETALIATION PROHIBITED.—Section 202(b) of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 192(b)), is amended—

(A) by striking “or subject” and inserting “subject”; and

(B) by inserting before the semicolon at the end the following: “, or retaliate against any livestock producer on account of any statement made by the producer (whether

made to the Secretary or a law enforcement agency or in a public forum) regarding an action of any packer”.

(2) SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS REGARDING ALLEGATIONS OF RETALIATION.—Section 203 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 193), is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(e) SPECIAL PROCEDURES REGARDING ALLEGATIONS OF RETALIATION.—

“(1) CONSIDERATION BY SPECIAL PANEL.—The Secretary shall appoint a special panel consisting of 3 members to receive and initially consider a complaint submitted by any person that alleges prohibited packer retaliation under section 202(b) directed against a livestock producer.

“(2) COMPLAINT; HEARING.—If the panel has reason to believe from the complaint or resulting investigation that a packer has violated or is violating the retaliation prohibition under section 202(b), the panel shall notify the Secretary who shall cause a complaint to be issued against the packer, and a hearing conducted, under subsection (a).

“(3) EVIDENTIARY STANDARD.—In the case of a complaint regarding retaliation prohibited under section 202(b), the Secretary shall find that the packer involved has violated or is violating section 202(b) if the finding is supported by a preponderance of the evidence.”.

(3) DAMAGES FOR PRODUCERS SUFFERING RETALIATION.—Section 203 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 (7 U.S.C. 193) (as amended by subsection (b)), is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(f) DAMAGES FOR PRODUCERS SUFFERING RETALIATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—If a packer violates the retaliation prohibition under section 202(b), the packer shall be liable to the livestock producer injured by the retaliation for not more than 3 times the amount of damages sustained as a result of the violation.

“(2) ENFORCEMENT.—The liability may be enforced either by complaint to the Secretary, as provided in subsection (e), or by suit in any court of competent jurisdiction.

“(3) OTHER REMEDIES.—This subsection shall not abridge or alter a remedy existing at common law or by statute. The remedy provided by this subsection shall be in addition to any other remedy.”.

(d) REVIEW OF FEDERAL AGRICULTURE CREDIT POLICIES.—The Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and the Chairman of the Board of the Farm Credit Administration, shall establish an inter-agency working group to study—

(1) the extent to which Federal lending practices and policies have contributed, or are contributing, to market concentration in the livestock and dairy sectors of the national economy; and

(2) whether Federal policies regarding the financial system of the United States adequately take account of the weather and price volatility risks inherent in livestock and dairy enterprises.

SEC. 705. LABELING OF IMPORTED MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 1 of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(w) BEEF.—The term ‘beef’ means meat produced from cattle (including veal).

“(x) LAMB.—The term ‘lamb’ means meat, other than mutton, produced from sheep.

“(y) BEEF BLENDED WITH IMPORTED MEAT.—The term ‘beef blended with imported meat’ means ground beef, or beef in another meat food product that contains United States beef and any imported beef.

“(z) LAMB BLENDED WITH IMPORTED MEAT.—The term ‘lamb blended with imported meat’ means ground meat, or lamb in another meat

food product, that contains United States lamb and any imported lamb.

“(aa) IMPORTED BEEF.—The term ‘imported beef’ means any beef, including any fresh muscle cuts, ground meat, trimmings, and beef in another meat food product, that is not United States beef, whether or not the beef is graded with a quality grade issued by the Secretary.

“(bb) IMPORTED LAMB.—The term ‘imported lamb’ means any lamb, including any fresh muscle cuts, ground meat, trimmings, and lamb in another meat food product, that is not United States lamb, whether or not the lamb is graded with a quality grade issued by the Secretary.

“(cc) UNITED STATES BEEF.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘United States beef’ means beef produced from cattle slaughtered in the United States.

“(2) EXCLUSIONS.—The term ‘United States beef’ does not include—

“(A) beef produced from cattle imported into the United States in sealed trucks for slaughter;

“(B) beef produced from imported carcasses;

“(C) imported beef trimmings; or

“(D) imported boxed beef.

“(dd) UNITED STATES LAMB.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘United States lamb’ means lamb, except mutton, produced from sheep slaughtered in the United States.

“(2) EXCLUSIONS.—The term ‘United States lamb’ does not include—

“(A) lamb produced from sheep imported into the United States in sealed trucks for slaughter;

“(B) lamb produced from an imported carcass;

“(C) imported lamb trimmings; or

“(D) imported boxed lamb.”.

(b) LABELING.—

(1) IMPORTED BEEF OR IMPORTED LAMB.—Section 1(n) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601(n)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(13)(A) If it is imported beef or imported lamb offered for retail sale as fresh muscle cuts of beef or lamb and is not accompanied by labeling that identifies it as imported beef or imported lamb.

“(B) If it is United States beef or United States lamb offered for retail sale, or offered and intended for export as fresh muscle cuts of beef or lamb, and is not accompanied by labeling that identifies it as United States beef or United States lamb.

“(C) If it is United States or imported ground beef or other processed beef or lamb product and is not accompanied by labeling that identifies it as United States beef or United States lamb, imported beef or imported lamb, beef blended with imported meat or lamb blended with imported meat, or other designation that identifies the content of United States beef and imported beef United States lamb and imported lamb or contained in the product, as determined by the Secretary under section 7(h).”.

(2) COUNTRY OF ORIGIN.—Section 7 of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 607) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) COUNTRY OF ORIGIN.—Imported beef, imported lamb, or ground beef, ground lamb, or other processed beef or lamb product made from imported beef or imported lamb described in section 1(n) may be marked, labeled, or otherwise identified to indicate the country of origin.”.

(3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 20(a) of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 620(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following: “All imported beef or imported lamb offered for retail sale as fresh muscle cuts of beef or lamb shall be plainly and conspicuously marked, labeled, or otherwise

identified as imported beef or imported lamb.”.

(c) GROUND OR PROCESSED BEEF AND LAMB.—Section 7 of the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 607) (as amended by subsection (b)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(h) GROUND OR PROCESSED BEEF AND LAMB.—

“(1) VOLUNTARY LABELING.—Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary shall provide by regulation for the voluntary labeling or identification of ground beef, ground lamb, or other processed beef or lamb product as—

“(A) United States beef or United States lamb, beef blended with United States meat or lamb blended with United States meat, or other designation that identifies the content of United States beef or United States lamb contained in the product; or

“(B) imported beef or imported lamb, beef blended with imported meat or lamb blended with imported meat, or other designation that identifies the content of imported beef or imported lamb contained in the product; as determined by the Secretary.

“(2) MANDATORY LABELING.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this subsection, the Secretary shall provide by regulation for the mandatory labeling or identification of ground beef, ground lamb, or other processed beef or lamb product made from imported beef or imported lamb as imported beef or imported lamb, beef blended with imported meat or lamb blended with imported meat, or other designation that identifies the content of imported beef or imported lamb contained in the product, as determined by the Secretary.

“(B) APPLICATION.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to the extent the Secretary determines that the costs associated with labeling under subparagraph (A) would result in an unreasonable burden on producers and processors, retailers, or consumers.”.

(d) GROUND BEEF AND GROUND LAMB LABELING STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall conduct a study of the effects of the mandatory use of imported, blended, or content labeling on ground beef, ground lamb, and other processed beef or lamb products made from imported beef or imported lamb.

(2) COSTS AND RESPONSES.—The study shall be designed to evaluate the costs associated with and consumer response toward the mandatory use of labeling described in paragraph (1).

(3) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall report the findings of the study conducted under paragraph (1) to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate.

(e) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall promulgate final regulations to carry out the amendments made by this section.

SEC. 706. EMERGENCY REQUIREMENT.

(a) BUDGET REQUEST.—The entire amount necessary to carry out this title and the amendments made by this title shall be available only to the extent that the President submits to Congress an official budget request for a specific dollar amount that includes designation of the entire amount of the request as an emergency requirement for the purposes of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 900 et seq.).

(b) DESIGNATION BY CONGRESS.—The entire amount of funds necessary to carry out this

title and the amendments made by this title is designated by Congress as an emergency requirement under section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 901(b)(2)(A)).

**DASCHLE (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 3581**

Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KERREY, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. WELLSTONE) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 2237, supra; as follows:

On page 199, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

TITLE VII—EMERGENCY AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE

SEC. 701. MARKETING ASSISTANCE LOANS.

(a) MARKETING ASSISTANCE LOANS.—

(1) LOAN RATES.—Notwithstanding section 132 of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7232), for crop year 1998, loan rates for a loan commodity (as defined in section 102 of that Act (7 U.S.C. 7202)), other than rice, shall not be subject to any dollar limitation on loan rates prescribed under subsection (a)(1)(B), (b)(1)(B), (c)(2), (d)(2), (f)(1)(B), or (f)(2)(B) of section 132 of that Act.

(2) RICE.—Notwithstanding section 132(e) of that Act, for crop year 1998, the loan rate for a marketing assistance loan under section 131 of that Act (7 U.S.C. 7231) for rice shall be not less than the greater of—

(A) \$6.50 per hundredweight; or

(B) 85 percent of the simple average price received by producers of rice, as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture, during the marketing years for the immediately preceding 5 crops of rice, excluding the year in which the average price was the highest and the year in which the average price was the lowest in the period.

(3) TERM OF LOAN.—Notwithstanding section 133(c) of that Act (7 U.S.C. 7233(c)), for crop year 1998, the Secretary may extend the term of a marketing assistance loan for any loan commodity for a period not to exceed 6 months.

(b) APPLICATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The authority provided by this section applies to the 1998 crop of a loan commodity.

(2) LOANS.—This section applies to a marketing assistance loan for a loan commodity made under subtitle C of the Agricultural Market Transition Act (7 U.S.C. 7231 et seq.) for the 1998 crop year before, on, or after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 706. EMERGENCY REQUIREMENT.

(a) BUDGET REQUEST.—The entire amount necessary to carry out this title and the amendments made by this title shall be available only to the extent that the President submits to Congress an official budget request for a specific dollar amount that includes designation of the entire amount of the request as an emergency requirement for the purposes of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 900 et seq.).

(b) DESIGNATION BY CONGRESS.—The entire amount of funds necessary to carry out this title and the amendments made by this title is designated by Congress as an emergency requirement under section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 901(b)(2)(A)).

CAMPBELL AMENDMENT NO. 3582

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. CAMPBELL) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 2237, supra; as follows:

Under the heading “Bureau of Indian Affairs”, “Construction” on page 33, strike the second proviso.

GORTON AMENDMENTS NOS. 3583–3585

Mr. GORTON proposed three amendments to the bill, S. 2237, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT No. 3583

At the end of Title I, General Provisions, add the following new section:

SEC. . Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Tribal Self-Governance Act (25 U.S.C. §458aa et seq.) is amended at §458ff(c) by inserting “450c(d),” following the word “sections”.

AMENDMENT No. 3584

At the end of Title III, add the following new section:

SEC. . (a) IN GENERAL.—To reflect the intent of Congress set forth in Public Law 98–396, section 4(a)(2) of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Act (16 U.S.C. 544(a)(2)) is amended—

(1) by striking “(2) The boundaries” and inserting the following:

“(2) BOUNDARIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the boundaries”; and (2) by adding at the end of the following:

“(B) EXCLUSIONS.—The scenic area shall not include the approximately 29 acres of land owned by the Port of Camas-Washougal in the South ½ of Section 16, Township 1 North, Range 4 East, and the North ½ of Section 21, Township 1 North, Range 4 East, Willamete Meridian, Clark County, Washington, that consists of—

“(i) the approximately 19 acres of Port land acquired from the Corps of Engineers under the Second Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1984 (Public Law 98–396); and

“(ii) the approximately 10 acres of adjacent Port land to the west of the land described in clause (i).”

(b) INTENT.—The amendment made by the subsection (a)—

(1) is intended to achieve the intent of Congress set forth in Public Law 98–396; and

(2) is not intended to set a precedent regarding adjustment or amendment of any boundaries of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area or any other provisions of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Act.

AMENDMENT No. 3585

On page 13, line 13, before the period at the end insert the following: “, and of which no amount shall be available for acquisition of the Texas Chenier Plain”.

HOLLINGS AMENDMENT NO. 3586

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. HOLLINGS) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 2237, supra; as follows:

On page 74, after line 20, add the following:

SEC. 1 . CORRECTION TO COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM MAP.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall make such corrections to the map described in subsection (b) as are necessary to restore on that map the September 30, 1982, boundary for Unit M09 on the portion of Edisto Island located immediately to the south and west of the Jeremy Cay Causeway.

(b) MAP DESCRIBED.—The map described in this subsection is the map included in a set of maps entitled “Coastal Barrier Resources

System”, dated October 24, 1990, that relates to the unit of the Coastal Barrier Resources System entitled “Edisto Complex M09/M09P”.

**MIKULSKI (AND SARBANES)
AMENDMENT NO. 3587**

Mr. GORTON (for Ms. MIKULSKI for herself and Mr. SARBANES) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 2237, supra; as follows:

On page 74, after line 20, add the following:

SEC. 1 . LAND EXCHANGE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND.

Section 135 of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998 is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT, COMPLIANCE WITH LAW.—As a condition of the exchange of property under this subsection, the Secretary shall—

“(1) prepare an environmental impact statement in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act; and

“(2) comply with all other applicable laws (including regulations) and rules relating to property transfers.”.

STEVENS AMENDMENTS NOS. 3588–3589

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. STEVENS) proposed two amendments to the bill, S. 2237, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT No. 3588

On page 59, line 25, insert between the words “Alaska” and “prior” the following: “for assignment to a Type I hot shot crew that previously has been certified and listed in the Bureau of Land Management 1998 Interagency National Mobilization Guide.”.

AMENDMENT No. 3589

S. 2237 is hereby amended as follows:

At page 19, line 20, add the following after the word “program”: “and of which \$4,400,000 shall be available for the Katmai National Park Land Exchange”.

At the appropriate place insert the following new section:

SEC. XXX. KATMAI NATIONAL PARK LAND EXCHANGE.

(a) RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT.—

(1) RATIFICATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The terms, conditions, procedures, covenants, reservations, and other provisions set forth in the document entitled “Agreement for the Sale, Purchase and Conveyance of Lands between the Heirs, Designees and/or Assigns of Palakia Melgenak and the United States of America” (hereinafter referred to in this section as the “Agreement”), executed by its signatories, including the heirs, designees and/or assigns of Palakia Melgenak (hereinafter referred to in this section as the “Heirs”) effective on September 1, 1998 are authorized, ratified and confirmed, and set forth the obligations and commitments of the United States and all other signatories, as a matter of federal law.

(B) NATIVE ALLOTMENT.—Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, all lands described in section 2(c) of the Agreement for conveyance to the Heirs shall be deemed a replacement transaction under “an Act to relieve restricted Indians in the Five Civilized Tribes whose nontaxable lands are required for State, county or municipal improvements or sold to other persons or for other purposes” (25 U.S.C. 409a, 46 Stat. 1471), as amended, and the Secretary shall convey such lands by a patent consistent with the terms of the Agreement and subject to the

same restraints on alienation and tax-exempt status as provided for Native allotments pursuant to "an Act authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to allot homesteads to the natives of Alaska" (34 Stat. 197), as amended, repealed by section 18(a) the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (85 Stat. 710), with a savings clause for applications pending on December 18, 1971.

(C) LAND ACQUISITION.—Lands and interests in land acquired by the United States pursuant to the Agreement shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") as part of the Katmai National Park, subject to the laws and regulations applicable thereto.

(2) MAPS AND DEEDS.—The maps and deeds set forth in the Agreement generally depict the lands subject to the conveyances, the retention of consultation rights, the conservation easement, the access rights, Alaska Native Allotment Act status, and the use and transfer restrictions.

(b) KATMAI NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE WILDERNESS.—Upon the date of closing of the conveyance of the approximately 10 acres of Katmai National Park Wilderness lands to be conveyed to the Heirs under the Agreement, the following lands shall hereby be designated part of the Katmai Wilderness as designated by section 701(4) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; 94 Stat. 2417):

A strip of land approximately one half mile long and 165 feet wide lying within Section 1, Township 24 South, Range 33 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska, the center line of which is the center of the unnamed stream from its mouth at Geographic Harbor to the north line of said Section 1. Said unnamed stream flows from the unnamed lake located in Sections 25 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 33 West, Seward Meridian. This strip of land contains approximately 10 acres.

(c) AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATION.—None of the funds appropriated in this Act or any other act hereafter enacted for the implementation of the Agreement may be expended until the Secretary determines that the Heirs have signed a valid and full relinquishment and release of any and all claims described in section 2(d) of the Agreement.

(d) GENERAL PROVISIONS.—

(1) All of the lands designated as Wilderness pursuant to this section shall be subject to any valid existing rights.

(2) Subject to the provisions of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, the Secretary shall ensure that the lands in the Geographic Harbor area not directly affected by the Agreement remain accessible for the public, including its mooring and mechanized transportation needs.

(3) The Agreement shall be placed on file and available for public inspection at the Alaska Regional Office of the National Park Service, at the office of the Katmai National Park and Preserve in King Salmon, Alaska, and at least one public facility managed by the federal, state or local government located in each of Homer, Alaska, and Kodiak, Alaska and such other public facilities which the Secretary determines are suitable and accessible for such public inspections. In addition, as soon as practicable after enactment of this provisions, the Secretary shall make available for public inspection in those same offices, copies of all maps and legal descriptions of land prepared in implementing either the Agreement of this section. Such legal description shall be published in the Federal Register and filed with the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate.

WYDEN AMENDMENT NO. 3590

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. WYDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2237, supra; as follows:

On page 74, after line 20, add the following:

SEC. 1.—WATERSHED REGISTRATION AND ENHANCEMENT AGREEMENTS.

Section 124(a) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997 (16 U.S.C. 1011(a)) is amended by striking "with willing private landowners for restoration and enhancement of fish, wildlife, and other biotic resources on public or private land or both" and inserting "with the heads of other Federal agencies, tribal, State, and local governments, private non-profit entities, and landowners for the protection restoration, and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat and other resources on public or private land and the reduction of risk from natural disaster where public safety is threatened".

NOTICES OF HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for information of the Senate and the public that a conferee meeting of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources and the House Committee on Education and the Workforce will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 1998, 2:00 P.M., in SD-430 of the Senate Dirksen Building. The subject of the meeting is H.R. 6, Higher Education Act Amendments of 1998. For further information, please call the committee, 202/224-5375.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet on Wednesday, September 16, 1998 at 9:30 a.m. in Room SR-301 Russell Senate Office Building, to receive testimony from the Architect of the Capitol on plans to renovate the Dirksen Senate Office Building and the Capitol Dome.

For further information concerning this meeting, please contact Sherry Little at the Rules Committee on 4-0192.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Governmental Affairs, will hold a hearing entitled "The National Cancer Institute's Management of Radiation Studies."

This hearing will take place on Wednesday, September 16, 1998, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 342 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. For further information, please contact Pamela Marple, the Subcommittee's Minority Chief Counsel at 224-2627.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet on Wednesday, September 16, 1998 at 10:00 a.m. in Room SR-301 Russell Senate Office Building, to receive testimony on S. 2288, the Wendell H. Ford Government Publications Act of 1998.

For further information concerning this meeting, please contact either Ed Edens at the Rules Committee on 4-6678, or Eric Peterson at the Joint Committee on Printing on 4-7774.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that during the previously scheduled full committee hearing to consider Department of Energy and Department of Interior nominations, the Energy and Natural Resources will consider the nomination of T.J. Glauthier to be Deputy Secretary of Energy. The hearing will take place on Thursday, September 17, 1998 at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for information of the Senate and the public that a hearing of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources will be held on Thursday, September 17, 1998, 10:00 a.m., in SD-430 of the Senate Dirksen Building. The subject of the hearing is Professional Development: Incorporating Advances in Teaching. For further information, please call the committee, 202/224-5375.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS, HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND RECREATION

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the hearing that was scheduled for Thursday, September 24, 1998 at 2:00 p.m. before the Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to receive testimony on S. 1372, to provide for the protection of farmland at the Point Reyes National Seashore, and for other purposes, has been canceled.

For further information, please contact Jim O'Toole of the Subcommittee staff at (202) 224-5161.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEE TO MEET

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be permitted to meet on September 14, 1998, at 1 p.m., in Dirksen 628, for the purpose of conducting a hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO "LIB" SMITH: 1911-1998

● Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, there was this lady of nobility, whom everybody called "Lib," who was loved by everyone who knew her. She slipped away into eternity on August 15 prompting