

S. 2433

At the request of Mr. D'AMATO, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) were added as cosponsors of S. 2433, a bill to protect consumers and financial institutions by preventing personal financial information from being obtained from financial institutions under false pretenses.

SENATE RESOLUTION 260

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY), the Senator from New York (Mr. D'AMATO), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. ROTH) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 260, A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that October 11, 1998, should be designated as "National Children's Day."

SENATE RESOLUTION 278

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 278, a resolution designating the 30th day of April of 1999, as "Día de los Ninos: Celebrating Young Americans," and for other purposes.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

CHILD CUSTODY PROTECTION ACT

TORRICELLI AMENDMENT NO. 3603

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. TORRICELLI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 1645) to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . PROHIBITED INTERSTATE FIREARMS TRANSFERS.

Section 922(a)(3) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and (B) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively;

(2) by striking "or licensed collector to transport" and inserting the following: "or licensed collector—

"(A) to transport";

(3) by striking "this paragraph" and inserting "this subparagraph";

(4) by adding "and" after the semicolon at the end; and

(5) by adding at the end the following:

"(B) to—

"(i) travel across a State line for the purpose of inducing any other person to transfer a firearm in violation of any applicable Federal or State law; and

"(ii) thereby obtain a firearm in violation of any applicable Federal or State law;".

HARKIN AMENDMENT NO. 3604

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. HARKIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill, S. 1645, supra; as follows:

On page 5, strike line 17, and insert the following: "apply if—

"(A) the pregnancy was the result of rape by a parent or incest between the minor and a parent; or

"(B) the abortion was necessary to save the life of

LEAHY AMENDMENT NO. 3605

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. LEAHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill, S. 1645, supra; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Child Custody Protection Act".

SEC. 2. FORCEFUL TRANSPORTATION OF MINORS TO AVOID CERTAIN LAWS RELATING TO ABORTION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after chapter 117 the following:

"CHAPTER 117A—FORCEFUL TRANSPORTATION OF MINORS TO AVOID CERTAIN LAWS RELATING TO ABORTION.**"§2341. Forceful transportation of minors to avoid certain laws relating to abortion**

"(a) OFFENSES.—Whoever knowingly uses force or threats of force to transport an individual who has not attained the age of 18 years across a State line, with the intent to avoid, evade, prevent, or obstruct compliance with the requirements of a law requiring parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision, in the State where the minor resides, if in fact as a result the individual obtains the abortion, shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more than 10 years, or both.

"(b) RESTITUTION.—In addition to any other penalty authorized by law, including consideration of an order of restitution to the victim of the offense pursuant to section 3664 of this title, the court, when sentencing a defendant convicted of an offense under subsection (a), may order that the defendant make restitution to the parent or guardian of the individual who obtained the abortion as a result of the offense. An order of restitution under this subsection shall be based upon—

"(1) the amount of damages resulting from or attributable to the offense;

"(2) the cost of necessary medical and related professional service; and

"(3) any lost income or other expenses related to participation in the investigation or prosecution of the offense or attendance at proceedings related to the offense.

"(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

"(1) the term 'law requiring parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision' is a law that requires, before an abortion is performed on a minor, the notification to, or consent of, any person or entity other than the minor, including the parent or guardian of the minor, or a judicial officer, and that—

"(A) is not enjoined or otherwise held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction; or

"(B) the enforcement authorities of the State where the individual who obtains the abortion resides have not declined to enforce;

"(2) the term 'minor' means an individual who is not older than the maximum age requiring parental notification or consent, or proceedings in a State court, under the law requiring parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision; and

"(3) the term 'State' includes the District of Columbia and any commonwealth, possession, or other territory of the United States."

"(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for part I of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to chapter 117 the following:

"117A. Forceful transportation of minors to avoid certain laws relating to abortion 2431".

SEC. 3. ASSISTANCE TO THE STATES TO ENFORCE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT LAWS.

Part E of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3750 et seq.) is amended by inserting after subpart 3 the following:

"Subpart 4—Grants to States To Assist Enforcement of Parental Involvement Laws**"SEC. 520A. PURPOSE.**

"The purpose of this subpart is to supplement the provisions of subparts 1 and 2, in order to assist eligible States in enforcing State laws requiring parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision, and related procedures, including judicial bypass procedures.

"SEC. 520B. DEFINITIONS.

"In this subpart—

"(1) the term 'Director' means the Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance of the Department of Justice;

"(2) the term 'eligible State' means a State that has enacted a law requiring parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision; and

"(3) the term 'law requiring parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision' has the meaning given that term in section 2431(c) of title 18, United States Code.

"SEC. 520C. GRANTS.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall make grants to eligible States in accordance with this section.

"(b) APPLICATIONS.—In order for an eligible State to receive a grant under this subpart for a fiscal year, the chief executive of the eligible State shall submit to the Director an application, which shall include—

"(1) a statement that the applicant is the chief executive, or a designee of the chief executive, of a State that is an eligible State;

"(2) an assurance that Federal funds received under this subpart will be used to supplement, and not supplant, non-Federal funds that would otherwise be available for activities funded with amounts made available to the eligible State under this subpart;

"(3) a statement that amounts received by the eligible State under this subpart will be devoted entirely to enforcing the law requiring parental consent in a minor's abortion decision of the eligible State, and related procedures, including judicial bypass procedures; and

"(4) a description of the budget of the eligible State for the activities to be funded with amounts made available under this subpart for the fiscal year for which the grant is sought.

"(c) GRANT AMOUNT.—Of the total amount made available to carry out this subpart in each fiscal year, the Director shall allocate to each eligible State that meets the requirements of this section an amount equal to the pro rata share of that eligible State, based on the percentage of the population of the eligible State that is less than 18 years of age, based on the most recent calendar year for which such data is available.

"(d) RENEWAL OF GRANTS.—Subject to the availability of appropriations, a grant to an eligible State for a fiscal year under this subpart may be renewed for not more than 2 additional fiscal years, if the Director determines that the amount made available to the eligible State under this subpart for the preceding fiscal year was used in accordance with the application submitted by the eligible State under subsection (b).

"SEC. 520D. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

"There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subpart \$5,000,000 for each fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001."

Amend the title to read as follows: "A bill to prohibit the forceful taking of minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, and to assist States in enforcing parental involvement laws."

FEINSTEIN AMENDMENT NO. 3606

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mrs. FEINSTEIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill, S. 1645, supra; as follows:

On page 5, strike line 17, and insert the following: "apply—

"(A) to any individual who is an adult member of the family of the minor who obtained the abortion, as the term 'adult' is defined for purposes of the State law requiring parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision; or

"(B) if the abortion was necessary to save the life of * * *."

BOXER AMENDMENT NO. 3607

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill, S. 1645, supra; as follows:

On page 6, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

"(3) No prosecution shall be commenced or continued under subsection (a) if a parent of the individual upon whom the abortion is performed consents to the abortion after the abortion is performed."

KENNEDY AMENDMENT NO. 3608

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill, S. 1645, supra; as follows:

On page 6, strike line 17, and insert the following:

"(e) DIFFERENCE TO STATE AUTHORITIES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—No prosecution of any offense described in subsection (a) shall be commenced by the United States except upon the written notification of the Attorney General to the Federal prosecutor certifying that—

"(A) the appropriate court of the State does not have jurisdiction or refuses to assume jurisdiction with respect to the acts allegedly committed in violation of subsection (a); and

"(B) it is in the public interest and necessary to secure substantial justice for the United States to commence the prosecution."

"(2) SURRENDER TO STATE AUTHORITIES.—If the Attorney General does not make the certifications described in paragraph (1), the defendant shall be surrendered to the appropriate legal authorities of the State."

"(f) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

KENNEDY AMENDMENT NO. 3609

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill, S. 1645, supra; as follows:

On page 5, strike lines 16 and 17, and insert the following:

"(2) The prohibition of subsection (a) does not apply if—

"(A) the law requiring parental involvement in a minor's abortion decision in the State where the individual who obtains the abortion resides has been enjoined or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction;

"(B) the enforcement authorities of the State where the individual who obtains the abortion resides have declined to enforce the law described in paragraph (1); or

"(C) the abortion was necessary to save the life of

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS**SALUTE TO DOW STEREO/VIDEO**

• Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I take this opportunity to salute DOW Stereo/Video of San Diego, and its Director, Tom Campbell, for successfully introducing HDTV to the consuming public. As co-chair of the Internet Caucus I am particularly pleased with this accomplishment, given Mr. Campbell's hard work as a member of the Advisory Board to the Caucus.

Following years of development, which has enjoyed substantial support from Congress, HDTV is now a reality. The technology for the first commercial units was largely developed by Panasonic/USA in the San Diego area. It once again proves what can happen when American ingenuity and talent are combined with commitment and perseverance.

DOW Stereo/Video, through its leadership in Michael Romagnolo, President/CEO, and Tom Campbell, has been on the cutting edge of introducing new technologies to the American public for over 20 years. They were first in introducing WEB TV, digital video disc player (DVD), personal communications systems (PCS), consumer digital camcorder (DVC), and the first interactive multimedia system for automobiles featuring GPS navigation. Various industry awards and recognition has clearly earned DOW the title of "industry launch pad for the consumer electronic industry".

I ask my colleagues to join me today in congratulating Tom Campbell and DOW Stereo/Video. The American consumer will continue to benefit from their ongoing efforts. •

TRIBUTE TO DR. GEORGE VERNON IRONS, SR.

• Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I rise today to eulogize and celebrate the life of one of Alabama's great native sons—Dr. George Vernon Irons, Sr., who passed away July 21, 1998.

Dr. Irons was Distinguished Professor of History and Political Science Emeritus at Samford University, having served the University for 43 years. During that time, he taught a record number of University Presidents, 17.

Dr. Irons was the oldest member of the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame and one of Alabama's athletic greats—the only Alabama track and distance star inducted into the Alabama Sports Hall

of Fame from the University of Alabama. Mr. President, only three men have been inducted into the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame on the first ballot: Ralph Shug Jordan, Paul "Bear" Bryant, and Dr. George Irons.

Dr. Irons is survived by his wife, Velma Wright Irons, a distinguished educator and nominee for the Alabama Women's Hall of Fame at Judson College; two sons: Dr. George Vernon Irons, Jr., a cardiologist in Charlotte, North Carolina; and William Lee Irons, a prominent Birmingham attorney. Dr. Irons and his son William are the only father and son to be selected for the 1998 Who's Who in America from Alabama.

Mr. President, Dr. George Vernon Irons Sr., gave tirelessly of himself to God and country. He was a man of great distinction, and I take great pride in offering this tribute on his behalf.

Mr. President, the following tribute, edited to meet CONGRESSIONAL RECORD length requirements, was written by Dr. Irons' son. It provides a comprehensive and detailed account of Dr. Irons' life and many accomplishments.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the tribute written by Dr. Irons' son William be printed in the RECORD.

The tribute follows:

TRIBUTE TO DR. GEORGE VERNON IRONS, SR.

(By William L. Irons)

Dr. George Vernon Irons, Sr., arrived at Birmingham's Howard College (now Samford University) in 1931. At that time, the school was experiencing serious financial difficulty, owing more than \$400,000. Dr. Irons' first assignment for the troubled school began when University President Neal called him in and explained that the school had been noticed for foreclosure. "Your job, Irons, is to go to the banker and stop this foreclosure," President Neal directed.

Dr. Irons persuaded the banker, after much deliberation, to grant the university a two-year extension. The rest is history. Today, Samford University is the largest privately endowed Baptist school in the world, and is the only Baptist institution in America with an inspiring domed school of divinity.

As a result of Dr. Irons' key role in assisting Howard College to grow into an internationally acclaimed university, he was elected by the Samford University faculty to serve as Grand Marshall of all academic, graduation and commencement exercises. Leading the academic procession for 15 years. In 1976, he was recognized by Samford University Faculty Resolution for "his impeccable character and qualities of modesty, humility, kindness, and selfless service to the University."

While the final years of service often ebb, this was not the case for Dr. Irons. In the last few months of his life, at nearly 96 years of age, Dr. Irons secured a \$100,000 scholarship contribution to Samford University as a perpetual memorial to his academic excellence as Distinguished Professor for 43 years.

In addition to his tireless efforts on behalf of Samford University, Dr. Irons is known as a sports legend. In the early 1920's, George Irons kept the athletic flame burning at the University of Alabama as its "Knight of the Cinderpath."

As a Junior in 1922, Irons won the prestigious A.A.U. Road Race in Atlanta. That same year, Irons broke the A.A.U. record,