

(B) A rogue state's ability to threaten the United States with an intercontinental ballistic missile may constrain the United States' options in dealing with regional threats to its interests, deter the United States from taking appropriate action, or prompt allies to question United States security guarantees, thereby weakening alliances of the United States and the United States' world leadership position.

(5) The United States must be prepared for rogue nations acquiring long-range ballistic missiles armed with weapons of mass destruction.

(A) In its resolution of ratification for the START II Treaty, the United States Senate declared that "because deterrence may be inadequate to protect the United States against long-range ballistic missile threats, missile defenses are a necessary part of new deterrent strategies."

(B) In September of 1994, Secretary of Defense Perry stated that in the post-Cold War era, "we now have opportunity to create a new relationship based not on MAD, not on Mutual Assured Destruction, but rather on another acronym, MAS, or Mutual Assured Safety."

(C) On February 12, 1997, the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy testified to the Senate that "I and the administration are quite willing to acknowledge that if we saw a rogue state, a potential proliferant, beginning to develop a long-range ICBM capable of reaching the United States, we would have to give very, very serious attention to deploying a limited national missile defense."

(6) The United States has no defense deployed against weapons of mass destruction delivered by long-range ballistic missiles and no policy to deploy such a national missile defense system.

SEC. 3. NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE POLICY.

It is the policy of the United States to deploy as soon as is technologically possible a National Missile Defense system capable of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack (whether accidental, unauthorized, or deliberate).

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 217

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. GRAMS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 217, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment to States of plot allowances for certain veterans eligible for burial in a national cemetery who are buried in cemeteries of such States.

S. 597

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 597, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under part B of the medicare program of medical nutrition therapy services furnished by registered dietitians and nutrition professionals.

S. 766

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 766, a bill to require equitable coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs and devices, and contraceptive services under health plans.

S. 778

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 778, a bill to authorize a new trade and investment policy for sub-Saharan African.

S. 1321

At the request of Mr. TORRICELLI, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. D'AMATO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1321, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to permit grants for the national estuary program to be used for the development and implementation of a comprehensive conservation and management plan, to reauthorize appropriations to carry out the program, and for other purposes.

S. 1325

At the request of Mr. FRIST, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1325, a bill to authorize appropriations for the Technology Administration of the Department of Commerce for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes.

S. 1352

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1352, A bill to amend Rule 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to restore the stenographic preference for depositions.

S. 1413

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. NICKLES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1413, a bill to provide a framework for consideration by the legislative and executive branches of unilateral economic sanctions.

S. 1423

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1423, a bill to modernize and improve the Federal Home Loan Bank System.

S. 1504

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. D'AMATO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1504, a bill to adjust the immigration status of certain Haitian nationals who were provided refuge in the United States.

S. 1572

At the request of Mr. BRYAN, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. COATS), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL), and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) were added as cosponsors of S. 1572, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from promulgating certain regulations relating to Indian gaming activities.

S. 1621

At the request of Mr. GRAMS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1621, a bill to provide that cer-

tain Federal property shall be made available to States for State use before being made available to other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 1644

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1644, a bill to amend subpart 4 of part A of title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding Grants to States for State Student Incentives.

S. 1647

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1647, a bill to reauthorize and make reforms to programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965.

S. 1667

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1667, a bill to amend section 2164 of title 10, United States Code, to clarify the eligibility of dependents of United States Service employees to enroll in Department of Defense dependents schools in Puerto Rico.

S. 1677

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG) were added as cosponsors of S. 1677, a bill to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act.

S. 1695

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1695, a bill to establish the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado.

S. 1747

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. D'AMATO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1747, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for additional taxpayer rights and taxpayer education, notice, and resources, and for other purposes.

S. 1758

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1758, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests.

S. 1760

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. GLENN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1760, a bill to amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act to clarify the term Great Lakes.

S. 1764

At the request of Mr. THURMOND, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1764, a bill to amend sections 3345

through 3349 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Vacancies Act") to clarify statutory requirements relating to vacancies in certain Federal offices, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 40

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 40, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 176

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 176, a resolution proclaiming the week of October 18 through October 24, 1998, as "National Character Counts Week."

SENATE RESOLUTION 189

At the request of Mr. TORRICELLI, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. GLENN), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ROBB), and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 189, a resolution honoring the 150th anniversary of the United States Women's Rights Movement that was initiated by the 1848 Women's Rights Convention held in Seneca Falls, New York, and calling for a national celebration of women's rights in 1998.

SENATE RESOLUTION 195

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI), and the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 195, a bill designating the week of March 22 through March 28, 1998, as "National Corrosion Prevention Week."

SENATE RESOLUTION 198

At the request of Mr. MACK, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON) and the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 198, a resolution designating April 1, 1998, as "National Breast Cancer Survivors' Day."

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

THE EDUCATION SAVINGS ACT
FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
SCHOOLS

COATS AMENDMENT NO. 2024
(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. COATS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (H.R. 2646) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end of title I, add the following:

SEC. ____ ADDITIONAL INCENTIVE TO MAKE DONATIONS TO SCHOOLS OR ORGANIZATIONS WHICH OFFER SCHOLARSHIPS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 170 (relating to charitable, etc., contributions and gifts) is amended by redesignating subsection (m) as subsection (n) and by inserting after subsection (l) the following:

"(m) TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS PAID TO CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this section, 110 percent of any amount described in paragraph (2) shall be treated as a charitable contribution.

"(2) AMOUNT DESCRIBED.—For purposes of paragraph (1), an amount is described in this paragraph if the amount—

"(A) is paid in cash by the taxpayer to or for the benefit of a qualified organization, and

"(B) is used by such organization to provide qualified scholarships (as defined in section 117(b)) to any individual attending kindergarten through grade 12 whose family income does not exceed 185 percent of the poverty line for a family of the size involved.

"(3) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this subsection—

"(A) QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION.—The term 'qualified organization' means—

"(i) an educational organization—

"(I) which is described in subsection (b)(1)(A)(i), and

"(II) which provides elementary education or secondary education (kindergarten through grade 12), as determined under State law, or

"(ii) an organization which is described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from taxation under section 501(a).

"(B) POVERTY LINE.—The term 'poverty line' means the income official poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget, and revised annually in accordance with section 673(2) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981) applicable to a family of the size involved."

(b) PROHIBITION ON ANY DEDUCTION FOR GAMBLING LOSSES.—Section 165(d) (relating to wagering losses) is amended to read as follows:

"(d) NO DEDUCTION FOR WAGERING LOSSES.—No deduction shall be allowed for losses from wagering transactions."

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.

JEFFORDS AMENDMENT NO. 2025

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill, H.R. 2646, *supra*; as follows:

Strike section 101 and insert:

SEC. 101. TRUST FUND FOR DC SCHOOLS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter W of chapter 1 (relating to District of Columbia Enterprise Zone) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 1400D. TRUST FUND FOR DC SCHOOLS.

"(a) CREATION OF FUND.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a

trust fund to be known as the 'Trust Fund for DC Schools', consisting of such amounts as may be appropriated or credited to the Fund as provided in this section.

"(b) TRANSFER TO TRUST FUND OF AMOUNTS EQUIVALENT TO CERTAIN TAXES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—There are hereby appropriated to the Trust Fund for DC Schools amounts equivalent to 50 percent of the revenues received in the Treasury resulting from the amendment made by section 201 of the Parent and Student Savings Account PLUS Act.

"(2) TRANSFER OF AMOUNTS.—The amounts appropriated by paragraph (1) shall be transferred at least monthly from the general fund of the Treasury to the Trust Fund for DC Schools on the basis of estimates made by the Secretary of the amounts referred to in such paragraph. Proper adjustments shall be made in the amounts subsequently transferred to the extent prior estimates were in excess of or less than the amounts required to be transferred.

"(c) EXPENDITURES FROM FUND.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts in the Trust Fund for DC Schools shall be available, without fiscal year limitation, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000,000 for the period beginning after December 31, 1998, and ending before January 1, 2009, for qualified service expenses with respect to State or local bonds issued by the District of Columbia to finance the construction, rehabilitation, and repair of schools under the jurisdiction of the government of the District of Columbia.

"(2) QUALIFIED SERVICE EXPENSES.—The term 'qualified service expenses' means expenses incurred after December 31, 1998, and certified by the District of Columbia Control Board as meeting the requirements of paragraph (1) after giving notice of any proposed certification to the Subcommittees on the District of Columbia of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

"(d) REPORT.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to hold the Trust Fund for DC Schools and to report to the Congress each year on the financial condition and the results of the operations of such Fund during the preceding fiscal year and on its expected condition and operations during the next fiscal year. Such report shall be printed as a House document of the session of the Congress to which the report is made.

"(e) INVESTMENT.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to invest such portion of the Trust Fund for DC Schools as is not, in the Secretary's judgment, required to meet current withdrawals. Such investments may be made only in interest-bearing obligations of the United States. For such purpose, such obligations may be acquired—

"(A) on original issue at the issue price, or

"(B) by purchase of outstanding obligations at the market price.

"(2) SALE OF OBLIGATIONS.—Any obligation acquired by the Trust Fund for DC Schools may be sold by the Secretary at the market price.

"(3) INTEREST ON CERTAIN PROCEEDS.—The interest on, and the proceeds from the sale or redemption of, any obligations held in the Trust Fund for DC Schools shall be credited to and form a part of the Trust Fund for DC Schools."

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for subchapter W of chapter 1 is amended by adding after the item relating to section 1400C the following:

"Sec. 1400D. Trust Fund for DC Schools."

In section 103(a), strike "December 31, 2002" and insert "June 30, 2002".