

and the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska; be it

Resolved, That the Alaska State Legislature urges Senator Murkowski to continue working with representatives of the State of Alaska and the University of Alaska to consider amendments that will address the land grant deficiency of the University of Alaska and be in the best interest of the state; and be it further

Resolved, That the Alaska State Legislature respectfully urges the Congress of the United States to pass and the President to sign S. 660 as expeditiously as possible.

Copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United States; the Honorable Al Gore, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Strom Thurmond, President Pro Tempore of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Trent Lott, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable Dick Armey, Majority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

POM-517. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLVE No. 62

Whereas the President of the United States has by Executive Order 13061 created the American Heritage Rivers initiative; and

Whereas the initiative allows a local river community to nominate its river for designation by the President as an American Heritage River; and

Whereas the initiative provides no meaningful protection of state or private property along designated rivers; and

Whereas the initiative creates a new layer of federal bureaucracy and engages 12 federal agencies in its implementation; be it

Resolved, that the Alaska State Legislature opposes any attempt by the federal government to further designate or label state property in Alaska or to further federalize public land in Alaska; and be it further

Resolved, That the Alaska State Legislature opposes the nomination or designation of any river in Alaska as an American Heritage River under the American Heritage Rivers initiative.

Copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United States; the Honorable Al Gore, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Strom Thurmond, President Pro Tempore of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; Kathleen A. McGinty, Chair of the Council on Environment Quality; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

POM-518. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLVE No. 61

Whereas Representative Don Young has introduced H.R. 2924, which amends the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to allow additional land selections to be made under that Act by certain Alaska Natives who are Vietnam era veterans and by the Elim Native Corporation; and

Whereas H.R. 2924 will allow Alaska Native Vietnam era veterans who missed their op-

portunity to make selections of native allotments while in military service to the United States to make selections under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; be it

Resolved, That the Alaska State Legislature supports the provisions of H.R. 2924 that amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to allow Alaska Native Vietnam era veterans who missed their opportunity to make selections to make native allotment selections.

Copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United States; the Honorable Al Gore, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Strom Thurmond, President Pro Tempore of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

POM-519. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLVE No. 80

Whereas President Clinton has proposed in his Fiscal Year 1999 budget a fisheries management fee to fund the management and enforcement services of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and

Whereas the proposed fisheries management fee would be derived from a tax of up to one percent on the ex-vessel value of all fish harvested by commercial fishermen; and

Whereas Alaska commercial fishermen would pay as much as \$12,000,000 of the \$20,000,000 in annual revenue the fisheries management fee is expected to generate from all fisheries nationwide; and

Whereas the proposed management fee would impose a unique burden on Alaska commercial fishermen who produce more fish than the rest of the United States combined; and

Whereas the proposed management fee would have a negative effect on the economic competitiveness of the Alaska seafood industry; and

Whereas the seafood industry is the largest source of private sector jobs in Alaska; and

Whereas commercial fishermen and seafood processors in Alaska are already burdened with a variety of taxes and user fees, including a raw fish tax, marine fuel tax, licensing fees, fishery landing tax, salmon enhancement tax, seafood marketing tax, and seafood marketing assessment; and

Whereas the total value in 1995 of the above-mentioned taxes and user fees exceeded \$68,000,000; be it

Resolved, That the Alaska State Legislature respectfully opposed the imposition of the proposed fisheries management fee; and be it further

Resolved, That the Alaska State Legislature respectfully urges the Governor and the Alaska delegation in Congress to oppose the proposed fisheries management fee and work to ensure the fee is not included in the Fiscal Year 1999 federal budget approved by the Congress.

Copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United States; the Honorable Al Gore, Jr., Vice President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable Trent Lott, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and

the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

POM-520, a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Madison, Wisconsin, relative to proposals which would grant tobacco companies immunity from lawsuits; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 890: A bill to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-264).

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

S. 852: A bill to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, nonrepairable, and rebuilt vehicles (Rept. No. 105-265).

By Mr. CHAFEE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2319: A bill to authorize the use of receipts from the sale of migratory bird hunting and conservation stamps to promote additional stamp purchases (Rept. No. 105-266).

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

H.R. 3824: A bill amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft (Rept. No. 105-267).

By Mr. HELMS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and an amended preamble:

S.J. Res. 54: A joint resolution finding the Government of Iraq in unacceptable and material breach of its international obligations.

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary: Report to accompany 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 (Rept. No. 105-268).

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. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. KERREY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 2356. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for uniform food safety warning notification requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. ASHCROFT (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. KYL):

S. 2357. A bill requiring the Congressional Budget Office and the Joint Committee on Taxation to use dynamic economic modeling in addition to static economic modeling in the preparation of budgetary estimates of proposed changes in Federal revenue law; to

the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Governmental Affairs, jointly, pursuant to the order of August 4, 1977, that if one Committee report, the other Committee have thirty days to report or be discharged.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. BYRD, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. CONRAD, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DODD, Mr. KOHL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. FORD, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 2358. A bill to provide for the establishment of a service-connection for illnesses associated with service in the Persian Gulf War, to extend and enhance certain health care authorities relating to such service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Mr. DOMENICI):

S. 2359. A bill to amend the National Environmental Education Act to extend the programs under the Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. FRIST):

S. 2360. A bill to authorize appropriations for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for Fiscal Years 1999, 2000, and 2001, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 2361. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize programs for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LOTT (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. BUMPERS, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BYRD, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. COATS, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FORD, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GLENN, Mr. GORTON, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELMS, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERREY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MACK, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBB, Mr. ROB-

ERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. ROTH, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Con. Res. 110. A concurrent resolution honoring the memory of Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police for their selfless acts of heroism at the United States Capitol on July 24, 1998; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LOTT (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. BUMPERS, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BYRD, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. COATS, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FORD, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GLENN, Mr. GORTON, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELMS, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERREY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MACK, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBB, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. ROTH, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Con. Res. 111. A concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a memorial service for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police, and for other purposes; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. MOYNIHAN, and Mr. FORD):

S. Con. Res. 112. A concurrent resolution to authorize the printing of the eulogies of the Senate and the House of Representatives for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. KERREY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 2356. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for uniform food safety warning notification requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

NATIONAL UNIFORMITY FOR FOOD ACT OF 1998

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I am pleased to join Senator ROBERTS and several other Members in introducing this legislation designed to establish national rules regarding standards, labeling and notification requirements for foods.

The legislation recognizes the reality that we have a truly national system of food production, processing and distribution. Perhaps the most apparent reason for a national system of rules relating to regulation of foods involves the economic costs associated with complying with varying state requirements. The burden of satisfying a number of different, and perhaps conflicting, requirements throughout the country can be significant.

Another aspect of the matter, though, involves the benefits to consumers. Certainly, when it comes to labeling and notification, I believe that consumers are entitled to have plenty of information that will help them make sound purchasing decisions for their families. I believe there can come a point, however, when a multitude of varying labeling and notification requirements can confuse consumers and be counterproductive with respect to helping them make sound choices.

Accordingly, this bill would establish a framework for uniform national rules relating to food labeling, standards and notification requirements while recognizing the interest of the states in regulatory activities involving food. Under the bill, states would continue to have full authority in the area of food sanitation requirements. States could also petition for new national standards or exemption from established national standards and could take emergency action inconsistent with the national standards in the case of imminent hazards. States would continue to have full authority to establish and enforce standards relating to matters on which a national standard had not been set. In addition, the bill specifically identifies a number of types of labeling requirements as to which the states would continue to have full authority.

The bill being introduced today is a sound starting point for further discussion and study, and for hearings that I hope can be scheduled soon. I am sure that during this process issues and considerations will arise that will need to be addressed in the legislation. I look forward to working with the Senator from Kansas and other colleagues toward producing a final bill that will achieve broad support and be enacted.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. BYRD, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. CONRAD, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DODD, Mr. KOHL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. FORD, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 2358. A bill to provide for the establishment of a service-connection for