SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
This Act may be cited as the “SCHIP Improvement Act of 1999”.

SEC. 2. LIMITED WAIVER OF CONFIDENTIALITY REQUIREMENT.
Section 9(b)(2)(C)(ii) of the National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)(2)(C)(ii)) is amended—
(1) in subclause (II), by striking “and” at the end;
(2) in subclause (III), by striking the period at the end and inserting “and”;
and
(3) by adding at the end the following—
“IV) a person directly connected with the administration of a State plan under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) or a State child health plan under title XXI of that Act (42 U.S.C. 1397aa et seq.) for the purpose of identifying children eligible for benefits under, and enrolling children in, any such plan, except that this subclause shall apply with respect to the agency from which the information would be obtained only if the State and the agency so elect.”

SEC. 3. DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.
(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786) is amended—
(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “costs incurred by State and local agencies for nutrition services and administration’ or ‘nutrition services and administration’” and inserting “(4) ‘Costs of nutrition services and administration’”;
(2) by striking paragraph (2) in the identification of children eligible for benefits under, and enrolling children in—
“(a) a school or school food authority participating in the school lunch program under this Act;” and
“(b) a State child health plan under title XXI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397aa et seq.)”; and
“(c) a local agency participating in the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children under section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786);”
and
(3) by adding at the end the following—
“(d) any other nongovernmental social service provider.”

SEC. 4. USE OF FUNDS FOR WIC DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.—The authorized uses of grant funds under this subsection shall include carrying out the demonstration project under section 17(q) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(q)).

SEC. 5. USE OF FUNDS FOR IDENTIFICATION AND ENROLLMENT EFFORTS.—
(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a demonstration project in not more than 40 local agencies in not fewer than 2 States under which costs of nutrition services and administration (as defined in subsection (b)(4)) shall include the costs of identification of children eligible for benefits under, and enrollment of children in—
“(A) a State plan under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.);” and
“(B) a State child health plan under title XXI of that Act (42 U.S.C. 1397aa et seq.).

(2) REPORT ON EVALUATION OF COSTS.—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a report evaluating the costs associated with implementation of the demonstration project, including an evaluation of the Federal and State costs per child enrolled in a State plan described in paragraph (1).

(3) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—The authority provided by this subsection terminates September 30, 2003.

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786)—
(1) in subsection (b)(4), by striking “and” and all that follows through “means” and inserting “‘(4) ‘Costs of nutrition services and administration’ or ‘nutrition services and administration’ means’;” and
(2) by adding at the beginning of subsection (b)(1)(A), by striking “costs incurred by State and local agencies for nutrition services and administration” and inserting “costs of nutrition services and administration incurred by State and local agencies.”

SEC. 3. GRANTS FOR IDENTIFICATION AND ENROLLMENT EFFORTS.
Section 12 of the National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1760) is amended by adding at the end the following:
“(g) GRANTS FOR IDENTIFICATION AND ENROLLMENT EFFORTS.—
“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make grants to States to carry out State plans to identify eligible entities described in paragraph (2) in the identification of children eligible for benefits under, and enrollment of children in—
“(A) a State plan under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.); and

“(B) a State child health plan under title XXI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397aa et seq.).

“(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—An eligible entity referred to in paragraph (1) is—
“(A) a school or school food authority participating in the school lunch program under this Act;”
“(B) an institution participating in the child and adult care food program under section 17;”
“(C) a local agency participating in the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children under section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786); or
“(D) any other nongovernmental social service provider.”

“(q) DEMONSTRATION PROJECT RELATING TO USE OF WIC FUNDS FOR IDENTIFICATION AND ENROLLMENT OF CHILDREN IN CERTAIN HEALTH PROGRAMS.—
“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a demonstration project in not more than 40 local agencies in not fewer than 2 States under which costs of nutrition services and administration (as defined in subsection (b)(4)) shall include the costs of identification of children eligible for benefits under, and enrollment of children in—
“(A) a State plan under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.); and
“(B) a State child health plan under title XXI of that Act (42 U.S.C. 1397aa et seq.).

“(2) REPORT ON EVALUATION OF COSTS.—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a report evaluating the costs associated with implementation of the demonstration project, including an evaluation of the Federal and State costs per child enrolled in a State plan described in paragraph (1).

“(3) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—The authority provided by this subsection terminates September 30, 2003.

SEC. 12. ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS.
S. 37
At the request of Mr. Grassley, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. Inouye), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. Hagel), and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Warner) were added as cosponsors of S. 37, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to reauthorize the State Child Health Plan Program and to modify the categorical grants provided to States to provide for equitable duty distribution for cases relating to the optional extension of postacute care to children with disabilities.

S. 121
At the request of Mr. Feingold, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Toricelli) was added as a cosponsor of S. 121, a bill to amend certain Federal civil rights statutes to prohibit the application of arbitration to claims that arise from unlawful employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, age, or disability, and for other purposes.

S. 218
At the request of Mr. Moynihan, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. Thompson), was added as a cosponsor of S. 218, a bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to provide for equitable duty treatment for certain wool used in making suits.

S. 249
At the request of Mr. Leahy, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 249, a bill to provide funding for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, to reauthorize the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, and for other purposes.

S. 255
At the request of Mr. McCain, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. Inouye), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Kerry), and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. Lugar) were added as cosponsors of S. 255, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to restore the link between the maximum amount of earnings by blind individuals permitted without demonstrating ability to engage in substantial gainful activity and the exempt amount permitted in determining excess earnings under the earnings test.

S. 345
At the request of Mr. Allard, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. Jeffords) was added as a cosponsor of S. 345, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to remove the limitation that permits interstate movement of live birds, for the purpose of fighting, to States in which animal fighting is lawful.

S. 391
At the request of Mr. Kerry, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. Hutchison), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. Campbell), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. Landrieu), and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Rob) were added as cosponsors of S. 391. A bill to provide for payments to children’s hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs.

S. 406
At the request of Mr. Murkowski, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. Hatch) was added as a cosponsor of S. 406, a bill to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to make permanent the demonstration program that allows for direct billing of Medicare, Medicaid, and other third party payors, and to expand the eligibility under such program to other tribes and tribal organizations.

S. 484
At the request of Mr. Campbell, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Kerry), the Senator from Montana (Mr. Burns), and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. Thurmond) were added as cosponsors of S. 484, a bill to provide for the granting of refugee status in the United States to nationals of certain foreign countries in which American POWs, MIAs or American Korean War POWs, MIAs may be present, if those nationals assist in the return to the United States of those POWs/MIAs alive.

S. 486
At the request of Mr. Leahy, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 486, a bill to provide for the punishment of methamphetamine laboratory operators, provide additional resources to combat methamphetamine production, trafficking, and abuse in the United States, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. Hatch, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Hutchinson), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. Feingold), and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. Levin) were added as cosponsors of S. 486, supra.

S. 512
At the request of Mr. Gorton, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. Breaux) was added as a cosponsor...
of S. 512, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the activities of the Department of Health and Human Services with respect to research on autism.

S. 544

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. 514, a bill to improve the National Writing Project.

S. 541

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 541, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make certain changes related to payments for graduate medical education under the Medicare program.

S. 552

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 552, a bill to provide for budgetary reform by requiring a balanced Federal budget and the repayment of the national debt.

S. 726

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 726, a bill to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase bullet resistant equipment for use by law enforcement departments.

S. 783

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 783, a bill to limit access to body armor by violent felons and to facilitate the donation of Federal surplus body armor to State and local law enforcement agencies.

S. 800

At the request of Mr. GRAMS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 800, a bill to promote and enhance public safety through the use of 9-1-1 as the universal emergency assistance number, further deployment of wireless 9-1-1 service, support of States in upgrading 9-1-1 capabilities and related functions, encourage the development of construction and operation of seamless, ubiquitous, and reliable networks for personal wireless services, and for other purposes.

S. 805

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 805, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to provide for the establishment and operation of asthma treatment services for children, and for other purposes.

S. 880

At the request of Mr. KERRY, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 880, a bill to amend the Clean Air Act to remove flammable fuels from the list of substances with respect to which reporting and other activities are required under the risk management plan program.

S. 954

At the request of Mr. THOMAS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 954, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect citizens' rights under the Second Amendment to obtain firearms for legal use, and for other purposes.

S. 956

At the request of Mr. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 956, a bill to establish programs regarding early detection, diagnosis, and interventions for newborns and infants with hearing loss.

S. 980

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. LANDRIEU) were added as cosponsors of S. 980, a bill to promote access to health care services in rural areas.

S. 1003

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1003, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide increased tax incentives for the purchase of alternative fuel and electric vehicle, and for other purposes.

S. 1029

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1029, a bill to amend title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide for digital education partnerships.

S. 1041

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1044, a bill to require coverage for colorectal cancer screenings.

S. 1053

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1053, a bill to amend the Clean Air Act to incorporate certain provisions of the transportation conformity regulations, as in effect on March 1, 1999.

S. 1070

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1070, a bill to require the Secretary of Labor to wait for completion of a National Academy of Sciences study before promulgating a standard, regulation or guideline on ergonomics.

S. 1075

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1075, a bill to promote research to identify and evaluate the health effects of silicone breast implants, and to insure that women and their doctors receive accurate information about such implants.

S. 1076

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1076, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid to veterans with service-connected disabilities, to enhance programs providing health care, education, and other benefits for veterans, to authorize major medical facility projects, to reform eligibility for burial in Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes.

S. 1196

At the request of Mr. COVERDILL, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) were added as cosponsors of S. 1196, a bill to improve the quality, timeliness, and comparability of forensic science services for criminal justice purposes.

S. 1209

At the request of Mr. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1209, a bill to require equitable coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs and devices, and contraceptive services under health plans.

S. 1220

At the request of Mr. GRAMS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1220, a bill to provide additional funding to combat methamphetamine production and abuse, and for other purposes.

S. 1225

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1225, a bill to amend part G of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to allow railroad police officers to attend the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy for law enforcement training.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. THOMPSON, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to establish a 3-year pilot project for the General Accounting Office to report to Congress on economically significant rules of Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 1255

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1255, a bill to protect consumers and promote electronic commerce by amending certain trademark infringement, dilution, counterfeiting laws, and for other purposes.

S. 1262

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1262, a bill to protect consumers and promote electronic commerce by amending certain trademark infringement, dilution, counterfeiting laws, and for other purposes.
DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1262, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide up-to-date school library media resources and well-trained, professionally certified school library media specialists for elementary schools and secondary schools, and for other purposes.

S. 1263

At the request of Mr. Jeffords, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. Roberts), the Senator from Maine (Ms. Snowe), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. Helms), and the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. Lincoln) were added as cosponsors of S. 1263, a bill to amend the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 to limit the reductions in Medicare payments under the prospective payment system for hospital outpatient departments.

S. 1268

At the request of Mr. Harkin, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. Inouye) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1268, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide support for the modern construction of biomedical and behavioral research facilities and laboratory instrumentation.

S. 1269

At the request of Mr. McConnell, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. Thomas) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1269, a bill to provide that the Federal Government and States shall be subject to the same procedures and substantive laws that would apply to persons on whose behalf certain civil actions may be brought, and for other purposes.

S. 1272

At the request of Mr. Nickles, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DeWine) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1272, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to promote pain management and palliative care without permitting assisted suicide and euthanasia, and for other purposes.

S. 1210

At the request of Ms. Collins, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. Lincoln) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. Hagel) were added as cosponsors of S. 1210, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modify the Interim payment system for home health services, and for other purposes.

S. 1217

At the request of Mr. Akaka, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Kerry) and the Senator from California (Mrs. Boxer) were added as cosponsors of S. 1217, a bill to reauthorize the Welfare-To-Work program to provide additional resources and flexibility to improve the administration of the program.

S. 1322

At the request of Mr. Bayh, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. Coverdell) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1322, a bill to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Father Theodore M. Hesburg, in recognition of his outstanding and enduring contributions to civil rights, higher education, the Catholic Church, the Nation, and the global community.

S. 1338

At the request of Mr. Jeffords, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. Mikulski), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. Murray), and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. Inouye) were added as cosponsors of S. 1338, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide more equitable payments to home health agencies under the Medicare program.

S. 1400

At the request of Mrs. Boxer, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. Inouye) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1400, a bill to protect women's reproductive health and constitutional right to choice, and for other purposes.

S. 1420

At the request of Mr. Kerry, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Lautenberg) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1420, a bill to establish a fund for the restoration and protection of ocean and coastal resources, to amend and reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, and for other purposes.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. Biden, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the incentives for the construction and renovation of public schools and to provide tax incentives for corporations to participate in cooperative agreements with public schools in distressed areas.

S. 1499

At the request of Mr. Mack, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mr. Gorton) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1459, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect the right of a Medicare beneficiary enrolled in a Medicare+Choice plan to receive services at a skilled nursing facility selected by that individual.

S. 1469

At the request of Mr. Lott, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Wyden) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1468, a bill to authorize the minting and issuance of Capitol Visitor Center Commemorative coins, and for other purposes.

S. 1473

At the request of Mr. Robb, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Kennedy) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Warner) were added as cosponsors of S. 1473, a bill to amend section 2007 of the Social Security Act to provide grant funding for additional Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities, Title I Planning Communities, and for other purposes.

S. 1497

At the request of Mr. Akaka, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. Collins) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Daschle) were added as cosponsors of S. 1487, a bill to provide for excellence in economic education, and for other purposes.

S. 1538

At the request of Mr. Leahy, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. Sarbanes) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Dodd) were added as cosponsors of S. 1538, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to clarify State and local authority to regulate the placement, construction, and operation of transmission and telecommunications facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1550

At the request of Mr. Wellstone, the names of the Senator from New York (Mr. Schumer) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. Durbin) were added as cosponsors of S. 1550, a bill to extend certain Medicare community nursing organization demonstration projects.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 26

At the request of Mr. Smith, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. Grams) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 26, a joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the courtmartial conviction of the late Rear Admiral Charles Butler McVay, III, and calling upon the President to award a Presidential Unit Citation to the final crew of the U.S.S. Indianapolis.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 9

At the request of Ms. Snowe, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Lieberman) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DeWine) were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 9, a concurrent resolution calling for a United States effort to end restrictions on the freedoms and human rights of the enslaved people in the occupied area of Cyprus.

SENATE RESOLUTION 92

At the request of Mrs. Boxer, the names of the Senator from Maine (Mrs. Collins), and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Daschle) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 92, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that funding for prostate cancer research should be increased substantially.

SENATE RESOLUTION 99

At the request of Mr. Reid, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. Hatch), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. Conrad), and the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. Landrieu) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 99, a resolution designating November 20, 1999, as “National Survivors for Prevention of Suicide Day.”

AMENDMENT NO. 1493

At the request of Mr. Bennett the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Dodd) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. Chafee) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1493 intended to be proposed to H.R. 2466, a
bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

**AMENDMENT NO. 1577**

At the request of Mr. Bayh his name was added as a cosponsor of Amendment No. 1577 proposed to H.R. 2466, a bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. Graham the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. Bond) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1577 proposed to H.R. 2466, supra.

**AMENDMENT NO. 1600**

At the request of Mr. Murkowski the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Johnson) was withdrawn as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1600 intended to be proposed to H.R. 2466, supra.

**AMENDMENT NO. 1603**

At the request of Mrs. Hutchinson the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. Shelby) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1603 proposed to H.R. 2466, a bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. Gramm his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1603 proposed to H.R. 2466, supra.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

55—ESTABLISHING OBJECTIVES FOR THE NEXT ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

Mr. Baucus submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

S. Con. Res. 55

Whereas the World Trade Organization is the single most important mechanism by which global commerce is regulated; and

Whereas the United States will host the World Trade Organization Ministerial Meeting in Seattle in November 1999; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring)

**SECTION 1. SENSE OF CONGRESS.** It is the sense of Congress that the executive branch of the Government should pursue the objectives described in this concurrent resolution in negotiations with respect to the next round of multilateral trade negotiations at the World Trade Organization Ministerial Meeting in Seattle, Washington.

**SEC. 2. AGRICULTURE.**

The negotiating objectives of the United States with respect to agriculture should be the following:

1. To eliminate all current and prohibit all future price subsidies and export taxes.
2. To negotiate stronger disciplines on state-owned trading enterprises, including cross-subsidization, reserved market share, and price undercutting.
3. With respect to tariffs, to pursue zero-for-zero or harmonization agreements for products where current tariff levels are so disparate that proportional reductions would yield an unbalanced result.
4. To target peak tariffs for reduction on a specific timeframe.
5. To eliminate all tariffs that are less than 5 percent.
6. To negotiate an agreement that binds all tariffs at zero wherever possible.
7. To phase out all tariff rate quotas.
8. To eliminate all market-distorting domestic subsidies.
9. To eliminate technology-based discrimination of agricultural commodities.
10. To negotiate agriculture and nonagricultural issues as a single undertaking, with full implementation of any early agreement contingent on an acceptable final package.
11. To reach agreements to eliminate unilateral agricultural sanctions as a tool of foreign policy.

**SEC. 3. SERVICES.**

The negotiating objectives of the United States with respect to services should be the following:

1. To achieve binding commitments on market access and national treatment.
2. To achieve broad participation from all World Trade Organization members in the negotiation of any agreement.
3. To proceed on a "negative list" basis so that all services will be covered unless specifically listed.
4. To prevent discrimination based on the mode of delivery, including electronic delivery.
5. To negotiate disciplines on transparency and responsiveness of domestic regulations.

**SEC. 4. INDUSTRIAL MARKET ACCESS.**

The negotiating objectives of the United States with respect to industrial market access should be the following:

1. To pursue zero-for-zero or harmonization agreements for products where current tariff levels are so disparate that proportional reductions would yield an unbalanced result.
2. To target peak tariffs for reduction on a specific timeframe.
3. To eliminate all tariffs that are less than 5 percent.
4. To negotiate agreements that bind tariffs at zero wherever possible.
5. To achieve broad participation in all harmonization efforts.

6. To expand the Information Technology Agreement product coverage and participation.
7. To make duty-free treatment of electronic transmissions permanent.
8. To negotiate short timetables for accelerated tariff elimination in sectors identified in prior international trade meetings, particularly in environmental goods.

**SEC. 5. OTHER TRADE-RELATED ISSUES.**

The negotiating objectives of the United States with respect to other trade-related issues should be the following:

1. To achieve broad participation in Mutually Reciprocal Agreements (MRA's) on product standards, conformity assessment, and certification procedures.
2. To expand the scope of the Government Procurement Agreement and make it part of the World Trade Organization undertaking.
3. To strengthen protection of intellectual property, including patents, trademarks, trade secrets, and industrial layout.
4. To complete the harmonization of rules of origin.
5. To strengthen prohibitions against mandatory technology transfer under the Trade-Related Investment Measures Agreement.
6. To broaden agreements on customs-related issues to facilitate the rapid movement of goods.
7. To make permanent and binding the moratorium on tariffs on electronic transmissions.
8. To establish a consensus that electronic commerce is neither exclusively a service, and develop rules for transparency, notification, and review of domestic regulations.
9. To reach a global agreement on liberal treatment of digital products in a technologically neutral manner.
10. To negotiate an agreement for determined when multilateral agreements are consistent with the principles of the World Trade Organization.
11. To undertake early review of potential environmental impacts of all global agreements with a view toward mitigating any adverse effects.
12. To reach agreement that goods and services produced by forced, prison, or child labor are not protected by international trade rules.
13. To establish a mechanism for joint research and development between the World Trade Organization and the International Labor Organization (ILO).

**SEC. 6. WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION INSTITUTIONAL ISSUES.**

The negotiating objectives of the United States with respect to World Trade Organization institutional issues should be the following:

1. To reach agreement not to implement any new trade restrictive measures during the 3-year negotiating period beginning with the Seattle Ministerial Meeting.
2. To broaden membership in the World Trade Organization by accelerating accessions.
3. To shorten the timeframes of dispute resolution.
4. To increase transparency, citizen access, and responsiveness to submissions from non-governmental organizations.
5. To strengthen disciplines governing the coverage and implementation of free trade agreements.
6. To reach an agreement to cooperate with the International Monetary Fund, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.