We are making small improvements in getting qualified young people to college, but we still have much to do to keep them enrolled and earn a degree. The committee has made an effort to address the retention issue by including programs to help students succeed in college.

We also continue our focus on teacher preparation by strengthening partnerships with the K-12 systems who hire the teachers, and giving priority to preparing teachers for shortage subjects such as foreign language and math and science.

As the bill recognizes, to help the Nation compete in today’s global economy, we must strengthen the teaching of math and science in schools and colleges. It is shameful that America is now ranked only 29th in the industrial world in math education, and that we have fallen from third in the world to 15th in producing scientists and engineers.

The bill provides strong incentives for math and science graduates to teach for at least 5 years in the schools that need them most. We also create a new scholarship program for low income students, pursuing careers in math, science, technology and engineering, and high need foreign languages.

From our earliest days as a nation, education has been the engine of the American dream, and we can’t let it stall. A larger share of our population needs to participate in postsecondary education. We looked at ways to expand access to working adults through modular and compressed coursework, and to students with disabilities who can benefit from taking courses rather than taking standardized tests.

Our goal is to give all students and their parents the support they need to benefit from education and keep our country strong in the years ahead.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS


Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. REID, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. VITTER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BACUS, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BURR, Mr. BYRD, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INYENTVE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MURkowski, Ms. PALLONE, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. PINEO, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. PEYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SMITH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECKER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TALENT, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

Whereas, on August 28, 2005, Hurricane Katrina reached landfall devastating the Gulf Coast states; whereas there has yet to be a full accounting for all our citizens whose lives were tragically lost; whereas the cost in human suffering is ongoing for hundreds of thousands of people who have lost loved ones, homes, and livelihoods;

(2) expresses the condolences of the Nation for the late honorable William H. Rehnquist, Chief Justice of the United States.

(3) commits to provide the necessary resources be authorized to meet during this hearing is to receive testimony regarding oil and gasoline pricing.

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

NOTIFICATION OF THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE WILLIAM H. REHNQUIST, CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair lays before the Senate a communication from the Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, the Honorable Antonin Scalia, notifying the Senate of the death of the Chief Justice of the United States, the late Honorable William H. Rehnquist.

Mr. FRIST. For the late honorable William H. Rehnquist.

The message is as follows:

September 6, 2005

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ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10:30 A.M. TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands
adjourned until 10:30 a.m., tomorrow, September 7, 2005.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 6:24 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, September 7, 2005, at 10:30 a.m.

**NOMINATIONS**

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 6, 2005:

**SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**

John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be Chief Justice of the United States, vice William H. Rehnquist, deceased.

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

James M. Anderson, of Georgia, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, vice Hilda Gay Lewis resigned.

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

Michael W. Wynne, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Air Force, vice Donald C. Winter, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Navy, vice Gordon England.

Delores M. Etter, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, vice John J. Young.

**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

Orlando J. Carreira, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, vice Charles F. Fawcett, resigned.

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

Jeffrey D. Barret, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy), vice Michael J. Whitman, resigned.

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

Santanu K. Baruah, of Oregon, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, vice David A. Sampson.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

Lyons Gray, of North Carolina, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency, vice Charles Johnson.

**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

Clay Lowery, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, vice Randall quantals.

**SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

John E. Mauper, Jr., of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board for a Term Expiring September 30, 2013, vice Gerald M. Shra, term expired.

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Ellen R. Sauerbrey, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Population, Refugees, and Migration), vice Arthur E. Dewey, resigned.

United States Agency for International Development

Jacqueline Ellen Schaefer, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, vice Emmie B. Simmons.

Broadcasting Board of Governors

Mark McKinnon, of Texas, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, for a Term Expiring August 12, 2008, vice Joaquin P. Bizyta, term expired.

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Brenda Lagrange Johnson, of New York, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Japan.

Alexander R. Vershbow, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Korea.

David B. Dunn, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Iceland.

Thomas O. Barnett, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice R. Hewitt Path.

The Judiciary

James S. Raftery, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a Term of Fifteen Years (reappointment).

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

Emilio T. Gonzalez, of Florida, to be Director of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, vice Raymond A. Gilmour.

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

John M. Molino, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Policy and Planning), vice Claude M. Klickitcher, resigned.

Lisaette M. Mondello, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs), vice Cynthia R. Church, resigned.

George J. Offer, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs, vice Richard J. Griffin.

In the Coast Guard

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 2205:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Michael R. Seward, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Douglas M. Fraser, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. John F. Bogn, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated in accordance with Article II, Section 2, Clause 2, of the Constitution:

To be brigadier general

Col. Richard J. Tuck, 0000

Air Force

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 601:

To be general

Gen. Burwell B. Bell III, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 601:

To be major general

Maj. Gen. Anne E. Dunwoody, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Blake E. Williams, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. John E. Cornelius, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 624:

To be brigadier general

Col. Daniel B. Allyn, 0000

Col. James C. Bower, 0000

Col. Donald M. Bouchard, 0000

Col. Mark S. Bowman, 0000

Col. Thomas M. Cole, 0000

Col. Jesse E. Cross, 0000

Col. Kenneth A. Dox, 0000

Col. Michael T. Flynn, 0000

Col. William R. Foerster, Jr., 0000

Col. William R. Garrett III, 0000

Col. James L. Ridge, 0000

Col. Anthony R. Herard, 0000

Col. John D. Johnson, 0000

Col. Gregg P. Martin, 0000

Col. William C. Mayville, Jr., 0000

Col. James M. McVay, 0000

Col. Patricia E. McQuesten, 0000

Col. John F. Prabon, 0000

Col. David C. Perkins, 0000

Col. Dana J. H. Pittard, 0000

Col. Jose E. Ramirez, Jr., 0000

Col. James E. Rogers, 0000

Chief of the Army, to the grade indicated:

Col. Frederick S. Rudeleshn, 0000

Col. Todd J. Simont, 0000

Col. John E. Seward, 0000

Col. Robin F. Swan, 0000

Col. Anthony J. Tata, 0000

Col. Kevin E. Weidel, 0000

Col. William J. Wolin, 0000

Col. Terry A. Wolf, 0000

In the Air Force

The following named officer for appointment to the grade indicated, in the United States Air Force and for regular appointment under Title 10, U.S.C., Sections 9333(b) and 9336(a):

To be colonel

Gary A. Packard, Jr., 0000

The following named officer for appointment to the grade indicated in the United States Air Force under Title 10, U.S.C., Section 624:

To be lieutenant colonel

Stacey T. Knutzen, 0000

Jonathan E. Schick, 0000

The following named officer for appointment to the grade indicated in the United States Air Force and for regular appointment under Title 10, U.S.C., Sections 624 and 631:

To be major

Donald E. Beckart, 0000

**WITHDRAWAL**

Executive Message transmitted by the President to the Senate on September 6, 2005 withdrawing from further Senate consideration the following nomination:

John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, which was sent to the Senate on July 29, 2005.