

members of the Judiciary to take another look at their rather lax regulations governing gifts and travel. The amendment passed by a vote of 75 to 23. Again, my intent was to help restore confidence and some measure of accountability to governmental officials and institutions.

Although not a formal governmental institution, the importance of the media in a representative democracy cannot be overstated. The role of the press as interpreter and sole purveyor of the news conveys with it a solemn duty to the public it serves. No single elected official or group of officials can so profoundly affect the focus and tone of the vital daily information which the public digests, believes, and relies upon. The press have an awesome responsibility in our form of government—one that far outweighs any slight inconvenience like filing a list of one's speaking fees. Regrettably, the activities of some—not all, some—members of the press have called into question the ability of the media to be consistently fair and unbiased. As with every institution, most journalists do a good job, providing balanced information that fosters an informed populace. Unfortunately, the perception remains that some reporters' stories are slanted in a particular way or skewed toward a specific interest. It is these perceptions that have to be addressed. My hope, all along, has been that journalists would recognize the need to address this problem themselves. They should do that. That is the way it should be done. As of now, I see little evidence that this will happen.

So today, I am submitting this measure in an effort to jump start the process and begin the frank public discourse which will be necessary in order to meet the justifiable expectations of the American people, whom we all serve. The Senate Rules Committee has jurisdiction over this area. I have spoken with its chairman, Senator STEVENS, some time ago and he is willing to hold hearings on the bill. These hearings will provide an excellent opportunity for all interested parties to come together and offer their varying perspectives and viewpoints. I look forward to a thorough airing of the views of any and all participants who wish to come.

This country is at a critical crossroads. The American people's trust of government has been replaced with a cynicism that is deeply disturbing. If the public continues to lose faith in the traditional institutions which form the bedrock of our republic, before long the very institutions themselves will start crumbling. To avoid such a calamity, we all must work together to try and rebuild confidence in our basic institutions. I firmly believe that this critical need outweighs any one individual's particular concerns and transcends what may be viewed as certain personal prerogatives. All of us involved in this process have a responsibility to make it work. Often a small sacrifice—

a good-faith gesture can do wonders toward restoring credibility. The Senate, as it did in 1991, when it adopted my amendment banning honoraria—some Senators did not like that, and we also banned honoraria to our staffs—has led the way and set an example. It is my hope that this resolution will serve the excellent and laudable purpose of encouraging renewed faith in our hallowed fourth estate and in the objectivity of its reporting.

I shall send the resolution to the desk, where it will be appropriately referred.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

AKAKA AMENDMENT NO. 2346

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. AKAKA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 1026) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 371, after line 21, add the following:

SEC. 1062. SENSE OF SENATE REGARDING UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TESTING.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate makes the following findings:

(1) The President of France stated on June 13, 1995, that the Republic of France plans to conduct eight nuclear test explosions over the next several months.

(2) The People's Republic of China continues to conduct underground nuclear weapons tests.

(3) The United States, France, Russia, and Great Britain have observed a moratorium of nuclear testing since 1992.

(4) A resumption of testing by the Republic of France could result in the disintegration of the current testing moratorium and a renewal of underground testing by other nuclear weapon states.

(5) A resumption of nuclear testing by the Republic of France raises serious environmental and health concerns.

(6) The United Nations Conference on Disarmament presently is meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, for the purpose of negotiating a Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), which would halt permanently the practice of conducting nuclear test explosions.

(7) Continued underground weapons testing by the Republic of France and the People's Republic of China undermines the efforts of the international community to conclude a CTBT by 1996, a goal endorsed by 175 nations at the recently completed NPT Extension and Review Conference (the conference for the extension and review of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty).

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that the Republic of France and the People's Republic of China should abide by the current international moratorium on nuclear test explosions and refrain

from conducting underground nuclear tests in advance of a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty.

SARBANES (AND MIKULSKI) AMENDMENT NO. 2347

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. SARBANES (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1026, supra; as follows:

On page 411, line 6, strike out "\$2,058,579,000" and insert in lieu thereof "\$2,068,579,000"

On page 412, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

(7) For the construction of the Large Anchoic Chamber, Phase I, at the Patuxent River Naval Warfare Center, Maryland, authorized by section 2201(a) of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1993 (Public Law 102-484), as amended by section 2702 of this Act, \$10,000,000.

THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

MCCAIN AMENDMENT NO. 2348

Mr. MCCAIN proposed an amendment to the bill (H.R. 2002) making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 72, after line 15, insert: "(c) This section shall take effect on April 1, 1996."

On page 73, after line 24, insert: "(c) This section shall take effect on April 1, 1996."

THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

AKAKA AMENDMENT NO. 2349

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. AKAKA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1026, supra; as follows:

On page 277, after line 25, insert the following:

SEC. 650. SELECTED RESERVE INCENTIVE FOR INFANTRY SPECIALTY.

The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the Army shall reconsider the decision not to include the infantry military occupational specialty among the military skills and specialties for which special pays are provided under the Selected Reserve Incentive Program.

THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

STEVENS AMENDMENTS NOS. 2350–2352

Mr. STEVENS proposed three amendments to the bill (S. 1087) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 2350

On page 29, before the period on line 13, insert: "Provided further, That of the funds

appropriated in this paragraph, \$35,000,000 shall be available for the Corps Surface-to-Air Missile (Corps SAM) program”.

AMENDMENT No. 2351

On page 29, before the period on line 13, insert: “: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated in this paragraph, \$3,000,000 shall be available for the Large Millimeter Telescope project”.

AMENDMENT No. 2352

On page 29, before the period on line 13, insert: “: *Provided*, That of the funds appropriated in this paragraph, not more than \$48,505,000 shall be available for the Strategic Environmental Research Program program element activities and not more than \$34,302,000 shall be available for Technical Studies, Support and Analysis program element activities”.

KEMPThORNE AMENDMENT NO. 2353

Mr. STEVENS (for Mr. KEMPThORNE) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the bill add the following:

SEC. .

None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this Act may be used for the destruction of pentaborane currently stored at Edwards Air Force Base, California, until the Secretary of Energy certifies to the congressional defense committees that the Secretary does not intend to use the pentaborane or the by-products of such destruction at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory for—

- (1) environmental remediation of high level, liquid radioactive waste; or
- (2) as a source of raw materials for boron drugs for Boron Neutron Capture Therapy.

SHELBY AMENDMENTS NOS. 2354 AND 2355

Mr. STEVENS (for Mr. SHELBY) proposed two amendments to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT No. 2354

On page 29, before the period on line 13, insert: “: *Provided further*, That of the \$475,470,000 appropriated in this paragraph for the Other Theater Missile Defense, up to \$25,000,000 may be available for the operation of the Battlefield Integration Center”.

AMENDMENT No. 2355

On page 28, before the period on line 4, insert: “: *Provided*, That of the funds appropriated in this paragraph for the Other Missile Product Improvement Program program element, \$10,000,000 is provided only for the full qualification and operational platform certification of Non-Developmental Item (NDI) composite 2.75 inch rocket motors and composite propellant pursuant to the initiation of a Product Improvement Program (PIP) for the Hydra-70 rocket”.

DOLE AMENDMENT NO. 2356

Mr. STEVENS (for Mr. DOLE) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

On page 8, line 13, strike out “Act.” and insert in lieu thereof “Act: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided under this heading, \$500,000 shall be available for the Life Sciences Equipment Laboratory, Kelly Air Force Base, Texas, for work in support of the Joint Task Force—Full Accounting.”.

STEVENS AMENDMENTS NOS. 2357–2359

Mr. STEVENS proposed three amendments to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT No. 2357

On page 11, before the period on line 9, insert: “: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated in this paragraph, \$11,200,000 shall be available for the Joint Analytic Model Improvement Program”.

AMENDMENT No. 2358

On page 11, before the period on line 9, insert: “: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated in this paragraph, \$10,000,000 shall be available for the Troops-to-Cops program”.

AMENDMENT No. 2359

On page 11, before the period on line 9, insert: “: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided under this heading, \$42,000,000 shall be available for the Troops-to-Teachers program”.

BINGAMAN AMENDMENT NO. 2360

Mr. STEVENS (for Mr. BINGAMAN) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

On page 82, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8087. (a) ENERGY SAVINGS AT FEDERAL FACILITIES.—The head of each agency for which funds are made available under this Act shall take all actions necessary to achieve during fiscal year 1996 a 5 percent reduction, from fiscal year 1995 levels, in the energy costs of the facilities used by the agency.

(b) USE OF COST SAVINGS.—An amount equal to the amount of cost savings realized by an agency under subsection (a) shall remain available for obligation through the end of fiscal year 1997, without further authorization or appropriation, as follows:

(1) CONSERVATION MEASURES.—Fifty percent of the amount shall remain available for the implementation of additional energy conservation measures and for water conservation measures at such facilities used by the agency as are designated by the head of the agency.

(2) OTHER PURPOSES.—Fifty percent of the amount shall remain available for use by the agency for such purposes as are designated by the head of the agency, consistent with applicable law.

(c) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31, 1996, the head of each agency described in subsection (a) shall submit a report to Congress specifying the results of the actions taken under subsection (a) and providing any recommendations concerning how to further reduce energy costs and energy consumption in the future.

(2) CONTENTS.—Each report shall—

- (A) specify the total energy costs of the facilities used by the agency;
- (B) identify the reduction achieved; and
- (C) specify the actions that resulted in the reductions.

FEINSTEIN AMENDMENT NO. 2361

Mrs. FEINSTEIN proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

On page 29, strike out the period at the end of line 13 and insert in lieu thereof “: *Provided*, That the funds made available under the second proviso under this heading in Public Law 103-335 (108 Stat. 2613) shall also

be available to cover the reasonable costs of the administration of loan guarantees referred to in that proviso and shall be available to cover such costs of administration and the costs of such loan guarantees until September 30, 1998.”.

On page 82, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8087. ELIGIBILITY FOR DEFENSE DUAL-USE ASSISTANCE EXTENSION PROGRAM.

Section 2524(e) title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3), by striking out “at least 25 percent of the value of the borrower’s sales during the preceding year” in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) and inserting in lieu thereof “at least 25 percent of the amount equal to the average value of the borrower’s sales during the preceding 5 fiscal years”;

(2) by redesignation paragraph (4) as paragraph (5); and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following new paragraph (4):

“(4) A borrower that meets the selection criteria set forth in paragraph (2) and subsection (f) is also eligible for a loan guarantee under subsection (b)(3) if the borrower is a former defense worker whose employment as such a worker was terminated as a result of a reduction in expenditures by the United States for defense, the termination of cancellation of a defense contract, the failure to proceed with an approved major weapon system, the merger or consolidation of the operations of a defense contractor, or the closure or realignment of a military installation.”

FEINSTEIN AMENDMENTS NOS. 2361–2362

Mr. STEVENS (for Mrs. FEINSTEIN) proposed two amendments to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT No. 2361

On page 29, strike out the period at the end of line 13 and insert in lieu thereof “: *Provided*, That the funds made available under the second proviso under this heading in Public Law 103-335 (108 Stat. 2613) shall also be available to cover the reasonable costs of the administration of loan guarantees referred to in that proviso and shall be available to cover such costs of administration and the costs of such loan guarantees until September 30, 1998.”.

AMENDMENT No. 2362

On page 32, line 19, strike out “*Provided*,” and insert in lieu thereof “*Provided*, That of the funds provided under this heading, \$5,000,000 shall be available for conversion of surplus helicopters of the Department of Defense for procurement by State and local governments for counter-drug activities: *Provided further*,”.

GRASSLEY AMENDMENT NO. 2363

Mr. GRASSLEY proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

On page 82, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8087. (a)(1) Not later than October 1, 1995, the Secretary of Defense shall require that each disbursement by the Department of Defense in an amount in excess of \$1,000,000 be matched to a particular obligation before the disbursement is made.

(2) Not later than September 30, 1996, the Secretary of Defense shall require that each disbursement by the Department of Defense in an amount in excess of \$500,000 be matched to a particular obligation before the disbursement is made.

(b) The Secretary shall ensure that a disbursement in excess of the threshold amount applicable under subsection (a) is not divided into multiple disbursements of less than that amount for the purpose of avoiding the applicability of such subsection to that disbursement.

(c) The Secretary of Defense may waive a requirement for advance matching of a disbursement of the Department of Defense with a particular obligation in the case of (1) a disbursement involving deployed forces, (2) a disbursement for an operation in a war declared by Congress or a national emergency declared by the President or Congress, or (3) a disbursement under any other circumstances for which the waiver is necessary in the national security interests of the United States, as determined by the Secretary and certified by the Secretary to the congressional defense committees.

(d) This section shall not be construed to limit the authority of the Secretary of Defense to require that a disbursement not in excess of the amount applicable under subsection (a) be matched to a particular obligation before the disbursement is made.

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EXON AMENDMENTS NOS. 2364-2369

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. EXON submitted six amendments intended to be proposed by him to the bill, S. 1026, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 2364

On page 557, between liens 9 and 10, insert the following:

SEC. 3144. TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE OF SPENT NAVAL NUCLEAR FUEL AT IDAHO NATIONAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY.

(a) REQUIREMENT.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of the Navy shall—

(1) transport to Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, Idaho, such spent nuclear fuel from naval reactors as the Secretary of the Navy determines appropriate in order to protect the national security interests of the United States; and

(2) store at the laboratory the spent nuclear fuel transported to the laboratory under paragraph (1).

(b) STANDARDS.—The Secretary of the Navy shall determine the spent nuclear fuel to be transported to the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory under subsection (a), and the manner of the transportation of such spent nuclear fuel, in accordance with standards and practices utilized by the Secretary in shipping spent nuclear fuel from naval reactors to the laboratory before the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) TERMINATION OF TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE.—The Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of the Navy shall continue the transportation and storage of spent nuclear fuel at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory under subsection (a) until the date of the issuance by a United States court of appeals of a final ruling in—

(1) any litigation challenging the environmental impact statement issued by the Department of Energy and the Department of the Navy in April 1995 regarding the management of spent nuclear fuel from naval reactors; or

(2) any litigation challenging the record of decision issued by the Department of Energy on June 1, 1995, regarding the management of spent nuclear fuel from naval reactors.

(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “spent naval fuel” has the meaning given such term in section 2(23) of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. 10101(23)).

AMENDMENT NO. 2365

On page 331, strike out line 21 and all that follows through page 333, line 3.

AMENDMENT NO. 2366

On page 39, strike out line 22 and all that follows through page 40, line 6, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

(a) FUNDING.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Defense under section 201(4), \$114,500,000 shall be available for the Counterproliferation Support Program, of which \$6,300,000 shall be available for research and development of technologies for Special Operations Command (SOCOM) counterproliferation activities.

AMENDMENT NO. 2367

On page 567, strike out line 22 and all that follows through page 568, line 20.

AMENDMENT NO. 2368

On page 548, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following into Section 3135:

(c) LIMITATIONS.—Nothing in this Act shall be construed as an authorization to conduct a nuclear weapon test as defined in Section 507 of Public Law 102-377. Furthermore, nothing in this Act shall be construed as amending or repealing the requirements of Section 507 of Public Law 102-377.

AMENDMENT NO. 2369

On page 53, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following into Section 233:

(7) pursue the deployment of a national missile defense system that will not jeopardize the successful implementation of the START I Treaty and the successful ratification and implementation of the START II Treaty.

STEVENS AMENDMENTS NOS. 2370-2371

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. STEVENS submitted two amendments intended to be proposed by him to the bill, S. 1026, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 2370

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following new section:

SEC. . SUBCONTRACTS FOR OCEAN TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds authorized under this Act shall not be used prior to May 1, 1996 to implement regulations under section 34(b) of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 430(b)) which include either section 901(b) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 (46 U.S.C. 1241(b)) or section 2631 of title 10, United States Code, on any list promulgated under such section.

AMENDMENT NO. 2371

On page 305, beginning on line 1, strike all through line 10 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

SEC. 802. PROCUREMENT NOTICE POSTING THRESHOLDS AND SUBCONTRACTS FOR OCEAN TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.

(a) PROCUREMENT NOTICE POSTING THRESHOLDS.—Section 18(a)(1)(B) of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 416 (a)(1)(B)) is amended—

(1) by striking out “subsection (f)—” and all that follows through the end of the sub-

paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof “subsection (b); and”; and

(2) by inserting after “property or services” the following: “for a price expected to exceed \$10,000, but not to exceed \$25,000.”.

(b) SUBCONTRACTS FOR OCEAN TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, neither section 901(b) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 (46 U.S.C. 1241(b)) nor section 2631 of title 10, United States Code, shall be included prior to May 1, 1996 on any list promulgated under section 34(b) of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 430(b)).

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MCCAIN (AND DODD) AMENDMENT NO. 2372

Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. DODD) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1087, supra; as follows:

On page 82, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8087. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the total amount obligated or expended for procurement of the SSN-21, SSN-22, and SSN-23 Seawolf class submarines may not exceed \$7,223,695,000.

(b) The amount of the limitation set forth in subsection (a) is increased after fiscal year 1995 by the following amounts:

(1) The amounts of outfitting costs and postdelivery costs incurred for the submarines referred to in such subsection.

(2) The amounts of increases in costs attributable to economic inflation after fiscal year 1995.

(3) The amounts of increases in costs attributable to compliance with changes in Federal, State, or local laws enacted after fiscal year 1995.

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LEVIN AMENDMENT NO. 2373

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill, S. 1026, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate point in the bill, insert the following new section:

“SEC. . BUDGETING AND ACCOUNTING FOR OVERHEAD.

“(a) The Secretary shall include in the budget justification submitted each year to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress—

“(1) amounts requested for overhead expenses;

“(2) the appropriation accounts from which the amounts are to be paid; and

“(3) a description of the efforts taken by the Department to reduce overhead expenses in the preceding fiscal year.

“(b) For the purpose of this section, the term “overhead expenses” includes costs incurred for the following:

“(1) travel and transportation of civilian personnel;

“(2) transportation of things (other than military equipment);

“(3) rental payments, communications expenses (not including expenses for the development, acquisition, maintenance and operation of military command, control and communications systems), utilities and miscellaneous charges;