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**FEINSTEIN (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 3092**

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. SIMPSON, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SIMON, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, and Mr. BRYAN) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 1833, *supra*, as follows:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. SENSE OF THE SENATE.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

(1) the United States has the most advanced medical training programs in the world;

(2) medical decisions should be made by trained medical personnel in consultation with their patients based on the best medical science available;

(3) it is the role of professional medical societies to develop medical practice guidelines and it is the role of medical education centers to provide instruction on medical procedures;

(4) the Federal Government should not supersede the medical judgment of trained medical professionals or limit the judgment of medical professionals in determining medically appropriate procedures;

(5) the Federal criminal code is an inappropriate and dangerous means by which to regulate specific and highly technical medical procedures; and

(6) the laws of 41 States currently restrict post-viability abortions.

(b) SENSE OF SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that Congress should not criminalize a specific medical procedure.

SEC. 2. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.

Nothing in Federal law shall be construed to prohibit the States, local governments, local health departments, medical societies, or hospital ethical boards from regulating, restricting, or prohibiting post-viability abortions to the extent permitted by the Constitution of the United States.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs will hold an open markup on December 12, 1995, at 9:30 a.m. in room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The markup agenda will include S. 814, to provide for the reorganization of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and S. 1159, to establish an American Indian Policy Information Center.

Those wishing additional information should contact the Committee on Indian Affairs at 224-2251.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent on behalf of the Governmental Affairs Committee to meet on Thursday, December 7, at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing on S. 94, prohibition on the consideration of retroactive tax increases.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on the Judiciary be authorized to hold a business meeting during the session of the Senate on Thursday, December 7, 1995, at 10 a.m. in SD226.

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

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, December 7, 1995, to hold a hearing to receive testimony on "An Agenda for the Information Age: Managing Senate Technology."

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

**THE PRESIDENT'S VETO OF THE
BALANCED BUDGET RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1995**

• Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I would like to join my colleagues in expressing my disappointment in President Clinton's veto of the Balanced Budget Act of 1995. The Republican plan would have resulted in a balanced Federal budget in 2002, a plan that would have finally restrained the growth of Federal spending to a manageable level. And yet, President Clinton felt compelled to veto our plan. He felt compelled to protect his priorities.

President Clinton's statements regarding protecting his priorities belie one sad truth buried in his rhetoric: The only thing that is not a priority to this President is balancing the budget. There is only lip service one day, a speech another, a third budget plan this week. If we are to believe that President Clinton is serious about his commitment to balancing the budget, why is he now submitting a third budget? Why did he first submit two budgets that resulted in deficits of over \$200 billion in the year 2000 and beyond?

The only logical conclusion to be drawn from the President's actions is that he is trying to deal in the most politically popular way he can with a Congress that is unwavering in one commitment, a commitment to the American people to, once and for all, put the U.S. Government on the road to fiscal health.

The future could be so bright if the President would only join us in agreeing to a balanced budget. We will compromise, but not on the principle that the budget must be balanced using credible, honest projections. There is a growing consensus among respected economists that interest rates will drop significantly, 1, maybe 2 percent, if a balanced budget is reached. This would mean cheaper home mortgages, less to pay for student loans, lower credit card payments. American families will save again. Without a balanced budget agreement, though, there will be profoundly negative consequences. Chairman Greenspan of the

Federal Reserve predicts a "quite negative" reaction in the financial markets if no deal is reached, and a sharp increase in long-term interest rates.

And yet we are mired here in a disagreement that is disheartening to all of us, especially those of us who were elected just last year, those of us who heard from thousands of citizens across our respective States, those of us who heard, "balanced the budget" above all else.

The disagreement between Congress and the President comes down to one issue: the difference between credibility and something for nothing. Syndicated columnist Ben Wattenberg makes a compelling case in yesterday's edition of USA Today that the country's social ills boil down to one fundamental shift in the Nation's attitude: The attitude that it is possible to gain something for nothing. Whether it is crime, poor education, or even the epidemic problem of illegitimacy, Mr. Wattenberg traces the cause of these ills to the lack of personal responsibility and the lack of effort, hard work, and even sacrifice that is necessary to gain anything worth having. Unfortunately, the White House's phony numbers are the means to appear to balance the budget, without making any adjustments or imposing any discipline on Government spending.

The Republican plan, on the other hand, recognizes the need for adjustment, reform, and downsizing of the Federal Government. It reforms Government programs in a sensible way and provides tax relief for hardworking American families and to spur investment. It will result in long-term benefits—a stable and growing economy, lower interest rates, greater investment, higher incomes, millions of new jobs. The benefits of the Republican plan are not unlike the gratification of earning one's own way in the world, completing an education, or staying married for 40 years. Hard work, but definitely worth it.

So, I close with these thoughts, Mr. President. The American people will rise to any occasion, and if we ask them to help us address this fiscal crisis, they will. What they won't do is allow this generation to burden the next with an impossible debt. I am disappointed that the President chose not to sign the historic Balanced Budget Act of 1995, but I remain hopeful that the administration will trust the American people and agree to a balanced budget. We must.●

**TRIBUTE TO DR. THOMAS E.
BELLAVANCE**

• Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Dr. Thomas E. Bellavance as he retires as the president of Salisbury State University.

In 1980, when the Board of Trustees of State Universities and Colleges unanimously selected Dr. Bellavance to be the new president of Salisbury State College, Thom arrived on campus with

a specific mission: to provide, as he expressed it, "an education of the whole person within the context of a value-oriented curriculum—an education that is not merely training in a specialty, but a matter of nurturing individuals to be civil, articulate, and productive members of society."

For the past 15 years, Dr. Bellavance has focused on his vision, transforming the institution from a small State college, primarily attended by students from Maryland's Eastern Shore, to a highly-respected regional university that is nationally recognized as one of the best among American colleges and universities.

During Dr. Bellavance's tenure, applications for admission have more than doubled and average SAT scores have increased from 848 to 1085. When faced with the reality of difficult economic times, Dr. Bellavance sought private funding, establishing three endowed schools, the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business, the Richard A. Henson School of Science and Technology, and the Charles R. and Martha N. Fulton School of Liberal Arts. Also established were scholarships for deserving students, and a foundation strongly supported by the community. University assets have dramatically increased from \$32,261 in 1980 to over \$16 million. Today over \$800,000 is available to assist students with financing their education.

In his pursuit of academic excellence, Thom Bellavance has helped create a true academic community—a community of scholars with an abundance of opportunities to learn and grow and a strong sense of family among the students, faculty, and administrators. In the process, he has earned the love and respect of the entire university community.

In a nation which believes that a person's merit and talent should take them as far as they can go, we are indeed fortunate to have educators like my friend, Thom Bellavance, who have fostered a path which allows our young people to maximize their potential. When this happens, we gain a person who contributes to society at a higher level. This is best exemplified by the fact that Salisbury State students contributed over 300,000 hours of community service in the 1993-94 calendar year.

On the occasion of his retirement, I join with the Salisbury State University community in saluting Dr. Bellavance and expressing deep appreciation for his exceptional leadership. As stated in a proclamation recently presented to Dr. Bellavance by the University Forum, "He leaves Salisbury State University immeasurably better than he found it."

Mr. President, I know that you and all of our colleagues will join me in wishing Dr. Thomas Bellavance the very best in the years ahead.●

ROMANIA'S NATIONAL DAY

● Mr. COATS. Mr. President, on December 1, Romania celebrated the 75th anniversary of its founding as a modern country. While its roots as a nation actually go back as far as the Roman Empire, its modern history began on December 1, 1918, when Romania, as we know it today, was created.

Seventy-seven years ago, there were roughly 50 nation states in the world. Half of these were considered democracies. Today more than 180 nations in the world are democracies, with this number on the rise. Romania, I am pleased to note, is not only a member of the international community but of the community of democracies.

Since its revolution in 1989, Romania has made strides in democratic reform and the development of a free-market economy. Difficult decisions have been to bring down inflation, bring in foreign investment, and privatize government. GDP which had dropped initially has been growing over the last 3 years. Inflation has been reduced from 300 to 60 percent in 1994 and is expected to be less than 30 percent this year. Unemployment is down to 10 percent. Foreign investment has been greater in the last 6 months than in the previous 4 years. There are more steps which must be taken to strengthen democratic institutions, further economic growth, and develop rule of law. I encourage Romania to keep its commitment to these goals.

Romania has actively pursued improving relations with the West. It was the first of the former Eastern bloc countries to sign the Partnership for Peace Program. In 1994 it became a member of the Council of Europe. Romania has even sent troops and medical staff to participate in peacekeeping efforts in Angola. On September 26 President Iliescu made his first official visit to Washington, DC, meeting with the President, Cabinet members, and Congressmen.

I hope my colleagues will join with me in congratulating Romania on its national day and extending to the people of Romania best wishes as they celebrate the founding of their nation.●

TRIBUTE TO ROSA PARKS

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, 40 years ago this month—December 1955—in Montgomery, AL, the modern civil rights movement began when Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat and move to the back of the bus. The strength and spirit of this courageous woman captured the consciousness of not only the American people but the entire world.

Rosa Parks' arrest for violating the city's segregation laws was the catalyst for the Montgomery bus boycott. Her stand on that December day in 1955 was not an isolated incident but part of a lifetime of struggle for equality and justice. Twelve years earlier, in 1943, Rosa Parks had been arrested for vio-

lating another one of the city's bus-related segregation laws requiring blacks to pay their fares at the front of the bus then get off of the bus and reboard from the rear of the bus. The driver of that bus was the same driver with whom she would have her confrontation years later.

The rest is history, the boycott which Rosa Parks began was the beginning of an American revolution that elevated that status of African-Americans nationwide and introduced to the world a young leader who would one day have a national holiday declared in his honor, the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mr. President, on the occasion of this important 40th anniversary, I want to pay tribute to Rosa Parks, the gentle warrior who decided that she would no longer tolerate the humiliation and demoralization of racial segregation on a bus.

We have come a long way toward achieving Dr. King's dream of justice and equality for all. But we still have work to be done. Let us rededicate ourselves to continuing the struggle.●

BUDGET SCOREKEEPING REPORT

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I hereby submit to the Senate the budget scorekeeping report prepared by the Congressional Budget Office under section 308(b) and in aid of section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended. This report meets the requirements for Senate scorekeeping of Section 5 of Senate Concurrent Resolution 32, the first concurrent resolution on the budget for 1986.

This report shows the effects of congressional action on the budget through December 6, 1995. The estimates of budget authority, outlays, and revenues, which are consistent with the technical and economic assumptions of the 1996 concurrent resolution on the budget (H. Con. Res. 67), show that current level spending is above the budget resolution by \$13.5 billion in budget authority and above the budget resolution by \$17.3 billion in outlays. Current level is \$43 million below the revenue floor in 1996 and \$0.7 billion below the revenue floor over the 5 years 1996-2000. The current estimate of the deficit for purposes of calculating the maximum deficit amount is \$262.9 billion, \$17.3 billion above the maximum deficit amount for 1996 of \$245.6 billion.

Since my last report, dated November 17, 1995, the President signed the Treasury, Postal Service and General Government Appropriations Act (P.L. 104-52), the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act (P.L. 104-53), and the Alaska Power Administration Sale Act (P.L. 104-58). Congress also cleared, and the President signed, the second (P.L. 104-54) and third (P.L. 104-56) continuing resolutions. Congress also cleared the Defense Appropriations Act (P.L. 104-61); pursuant to article 1, section 7 of the Constitution, this act became