

proposed an amendment to the resolution (S. Res. 14) amending paragraph 2 of Rule XXV; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ SENATE CLOTURE PROVISION.

Paragraph 2 of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate is amended to read as follows:

"2. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of rule II or rule IV or any other rule of the Senate, at any time a motion signed by sixteen Senators, to bring to a close the debate upon any measure, motion, other matter pending before the Senate, or the unfinished business, is presented to the Senate, the Presiding Officer, or clerk at the direction of the Presiding Officer, shall at once state the motion to the Senate, and one hour after the Senate meets on the following calendar day but one, he shall lay the motion before the Senate and direct that the clerk call the roll, and upon the ascertainment that a quorum is present, the Presiding Officer shall, without debate, submit to the Senate by a yeay-and-nay vote the question: 'Is it the sense of the Senate that the debate shall be brought to a close?' And if that question shall be decided in the affirmative by three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn—except on a measure or motion to amend the Senate rules, in which case the necessary affirmative vote shall be two-thirds of the Senators present and voting—then said measure, motion, or other matter pending before the Senate, or the unfinished business, shall be the unfinished business to the exclusion of all other business until disposed of.

"Thereafter no Senator shall be entitled to speak in all more than one hour on the measure, motion, or other matter pending before the Senate, or the unfinished business, the amendments thereto, and motions affecting the same, and it shall be the duty of the Presiding Officer to keep the time of each Senator who speaks. Except by unanimous consent, no amendment shall be proposed after the vote to bring the debate to a close, unless it had been submitted in writing to the Journal Clerk by 1 o'clock p.m. on the day following the filing of the cloture motion if an amendment in the first degree, and unless it had been so submitted at least one hour prior to the beginning of the cloture vote if an amendment in the second degree. No dilatory motion, or dilatory amendment, or amendment not germane shall be in order. Points of order, including questions of relevancy, and appeals from the decision of the Presiding Officer, shall be decided without debate.

"After no more than thirty hours of consideration of the measure, motion, or other matter on which cloture has been invoked, the Senate shall proceed, without any further debate on any question, to vote on the final disposition thereof to the exclusion of all amendments not then actually pending before the Senate at that time and to the exclusion of all motions, except a motion to table, or to reconsider and one quorum call on demand to establish the presence of a quorum (and motions required to establish a quorum) immediately before the final vote begins. The thirty hours may be increased by the adoption of a motion, decided without debate, by a three-fifths affirmative vote of the Senators duly chosen and sworn, and any such time thus agreed upon shall be equally divided between and controlled by the Majority and Minority Leaders or their designees. However, only one motion to extend time, specified above, may be made in any one calendar day.

"If, for any reason, a measure or matter is reprinted after cloture has been invoked, amendments which were in order prior to the reprinting of the measure or matter will con-

tinue to be in order and may be conformed and reprinted at the request of the amendment's sponsor. The conforming changes must be limited to lineation and pagination.

"No Senator shall call up more than two amendments until every other Senator shall have had the opportunity to do likewise.

"Notwithstanding other provisions of this rule, a Senator may yield all or part of his one hour to the majority or minority floor managers of the measure, motion, or matter or to the Majority or Minority Leader, but each Senator specified shall not have more than two hours so yielded to him and may in turn yield such time to other Senators.

"Notwithstanding any other provision of this rule, any Senator who has not used or yielded at least ten minutes, is, if he seeks recognition, guaranteed up to ten minutes, inclusive, to speak only.

"After cloture is invoked, the reading of any amendment, including House amendments, shall be dispensed with when the proposed amendment has been identified and has been available in printed form at the desk of the Members for not less than twenty-four hours.

"(b)(1) If, upon a vote taken on a motion presented pursuant to subparagraph (a), the Senate fails to invoke cloture with respect to a measure, motion, or other matter pending before the Senate, or the unfinished business, subsequent motions to bring debate to a close may be made with respect to the same measure, motion, matter, or unfinished business. It shall not be in order to file subsequent cloture motions on any measure, motion, or other matter pending before the Senate, except by unanimous consent, until the previous motion has been disposed of.

"(2) Such subsequent motions shall be made in the manner provided by, and subject to the provisions of, subparagraph (a), except that the affirmative vote required to bring to a close debate upon that measure, motion, or other matter, or unfinished business (other than a measure or motion to amend Senate rules) shall be reduced by three votes on the second such motion, and by three additional votes on each succeeding motion, until the affirmative vote is reduced to a number equal to or less than an affirmative vote of a majority of the Senators duly chosen and sworn. The required vote shall then be an affirmative vote of a majority of the Senators duly chosen and sworn. The requirement of an affirmative vote of a majority of the Senators duly chosen and sworn shall not be further reduced upon any vote taken on any later motion made pursuant to this subparagraph with respect to that measure, motion, matter, or unfinished business."

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. ROTH. Mr. President, today I am pleased to announce that the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs will hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight on Thursday, January 12, 1994, at 10 a.m. in the Rayburn House Office Building, room 2154. This joint House-Senate hearing will concern the legislative line-item veto issue. Expert witnesses will testify on the necessity for such legislation.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO AMEND THE STANDING RULES OF THE SENATE

Mr. WELLSTONE. Mr. President, in accordance with rule 5, paragraph 1, of

the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby give notice in writing that it is my intention to offer the following amendment during the Senate's consideration of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995, and the provisions of my amendment would amend rule XXXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate with respect to gifts:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ SENATE GIFT RULE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The text of rule XXXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate is amended to read as follows:

"1. No member, officer, or employee of the Senate shall accept a gift, knowing that such gift is provided by a lobbyist, a lobbying firm, or an agent of a foreign principal registered under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 (22 U.S.C. 611 et seq.) in violation of this rule.

"2. (a) In addition to the restriction on receiving gifts from registered lobbyists, lobbying firms, and agents of foreign principals provided by paragraph 1 and except as provided in this rule, no member, officer, or employee of the Senate shall knowingly accept a gift from any other person.

"(b)(1) For the purpose of this rule, the term 'gift' means any gratuity, favor, discount, entertainment, hospitality, loan, forbearance, or other item having monetary value. The term includes gifts of services, training, transportation, lodging, and meals, whether provided in kind, by purchase of a ticket, payment in advance, or reimbursement after the expense has been incurred.

"(2) A gift to the spouse or dependent of a member, officer, or employee (or a gift to any other individual based on that individual's relationship with the member, officer, or employee) shall be considered a gift to the member, officer, or employee if it is given with the knowledge and acquiescence of the member, officer, or employee and the member, officer, or employee has reason to believe the gift was given because of the official position of the member, officer, or employee.

"(c) The restrictions in subparagraph (a) shall apply to the following:

"(1) Anything provided by a lobbyist or a foreign agent which is paid for, charged to, or reimbursed by a client or firm of such lobbyist or foreign agent.

"(2) Anything provided by a lobbyist, a lobbying firm, or a foreign agent to an entity that is maintained or controlled by a member, officer, or employee of the Senate.

"(3) A charitable contribution (as defined in section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) made by a lobbyist, a lobbying firm, or a foreign agent on the basis of a designation, recommendation, or other specification of a member, officer, or employee of the Senate (not including a mass mailing or other solicitation directed to a broad category of persons or entities).

"(4) A contribution or other payment by a lobbyist, a lobbying firm, or a foreign agent to a legal expense fund established for the benefit of a member, officer, or employee of the Senate.

"(5) A charitable contribution (as defined in section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) made by a lobbyist, a lobbying firm, or a foreign agent in lieu of an honorarium to a member, officer, or employee of the Senate.

“(6) A financial contribution or expenditure made by a lobbyist, a lobbying firm, or a foreign agent relating to a conference, retreat, or similar event, sponsored by or affiliated with an official congressional organization, for or on behalf of members, officers, or employees of the Senate.

“(d) The restrictions in subparagraph (a) shall not apply to the following:

“(1) Anything for which the member, officer, or employee pays the market value, or does not use and promptly returns to the donor.

“(2) A contribution, as defined in the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) that is lawfully made under that Act, or attendance at a fundraising event sponsored by a political organization described in section 527(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

“(3) Anything provided by an individual on the basis of a personal or family relationship unless the member, officer, or employee has reason to believe that, under the circumstances, the gift was provided because of the official position of the member, officer, or employee and not because of the personal or family relationship. The Select Committee on Ethics shall provide guidance on the applicability of this clause and examples of circumstances under which a gift may be accepted under this exception.

“(4) A contribution or other payment to a legal expense fund established for the benefit of a member, officer, or employee, that is otherwise lawfully made, if the person making the contribution or payment is identified for the Select Committee on Ethics.

“(5) Any food or refreshments which the recipient reasonably believes to have a value of less than \$20.

“(6) Any gift from another member, officer, or employee of the Senate or the House of Representatives.

“(7) Food, refreshments, lodging, and other benefits—

“(A) resulting from the outside business or employment activities (or other outside activities that are not connected to the duties of the member, officer, or employee as an officeholder) of the member, officer, or employee, or the spouse of the member, officer, or employee, if such benefits have not been offered or enhanced because of the official position of the member, officer, or employee and are customarily provided to others in similar circumstances;

“(B) customarily provided by a prospective employer in connection with bona fide employment discussions; or

“(C) provided by a political organization described in section 527(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 in connection with a fundraising or campaign event sponsored by such an organization.

“(8) Pension and other benefits resulting from continued participation in an employee welfare and benefits plan maintained by a former employer.

“(9) Informational materials that are sent to the office of the member, officer, or employee in the form of books, articles, periodicals, other written materials, audio tapes, videotapes, or other forms of communication.

“(10) Awards or prizes which are given to competitors in contests or events open to the public, including random drawings.

“(11) Honorary degrees (and associated travel, food, refreshments, and entertainment) and other bona fide, nonmonetary awards presented in recognition of public service (and associated food, refreshments, and entertainment provided in the presentation of such degrees and awards).

“(12) Donations of products from the State that the member represents that are intended primarily for promotional purposes,

such as display or free distribution, and are of minimal value to any individual recipient.

“(13) An item of little intrinsic value such as a greeting card, baseball cap, or a T shirt.

“(14) Training (including food and refreshments furnished to all attendees as an integral part of the training) provided to a member, officer, or employee, if such training is in the interest of the Senate.

“(15) Bequests, inheritances, and other transfers at death.

“(16) Any item, the receipt of which is authorized by the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act, the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act, or any other statute.

“(17) Anything which is paid for by the Federal Government, by a State or local government, or secured by the Government under a Government contract.

“(18) A gift of personal hospitality of an individual, as defined in section 109(14) of the Ethics in Government Act.

“(19) Free attendance at a widely attended event permitted pursuant to subparagraph (e).

“(20) Opportunities and benefits which are—

“(A) available to the public or to a class consisting of all Federal employees, whether or not restricted on the basis of geographic consideration;

“(B) offered to members of a group or class in which membership is unrelated to congressional employment;

“(C) offered to members of an organization, such as an employees' association or congressional credit union, in which membership is related to congressional employment and similar opportunities are available to large segments of the public through organizations of similar size;

“(D) offered to any group or class that is not defined in a manner that specifically discriminates among Government employees on the basis of branch of Government or type of responsibility, or on a basis that favors those of higher rank or rate of pay;

“(E) in the form of loans from banks and other financial institutions on terms generally available to the public; or

“(F) in the form of reduced membership or other fees for participation in organization activities offered to all Government employees by professional organizations if the only restrictions on membership relate to professional qualifications.

“(21) A plaque, trophy, or other memento of modest value.

“(22) Anything for which, in an unusual case, a waiver is granted by the Select Committee on Ethics.

“(e)(1) Except as prohibited by paragraph 1, a member, officer, or employee may accept an offer of free attendance at a widely attended convention, conference, symposium, forum, panel discussion, dinner, viewing, reception, or similar event, provided by the sponsor of the event, if—

“(A) the member, officer, or employee participates in the event as a speaker or a panel participant, by presenting information related to Congress or matters before Congress, or by performing a ceremonial function appropriate to the member's, officer's, or employee's official position; or

“(B) attendance at the event is appropriate to the performance of the official duties or representative function of the member, officer, or employee.

“(2) A member, officer, or employee who attends an event described in clause (1) may accept a sponsor's unsolicited offer of free attendance at the event for an accompanying individual if others in attendance will generally be similarly accompanied or if such attendance is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate.

“(3) Except as prohibited by paragraph 1, a member, officer, or employee, or the spouse or dependent thereof, may accept a sponsor's unsolicited offer of free attendance at a charity event, except that reimbursement for transportation and lodging may not be accepted in connection with the event.

“(4) For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'free attendance' may include waiver of all or part of a conference or other fee, the provision of local transportation, or the provision of food, refreshments, entertainment, and instructional materials furnished to all attendees as an integral part of the event. The term does not include entertainment collateral to the event, or food or refreshments taken other than in a group setting with all or substantially all other attendees.

“(f)(1) No member, officer, or employee may accept a gift the value of which exceeds \$250 on the basis of the personal relationship exception in subparagraph (d)(3) or the close personal friendship exception in clause (2) unless the Select Committee on Ethics issues a written determination that one of such exceptions applies.

“(2)(A) A gift given by an individual under circumstances which make it clear that the gift is given for a nonbusiness purpose and is motivated by a family relationship or close personal friendship and not by the position of the member, officer, or employee of the Senate shall not be subject to the prohibition in clause (1).

“(B) A gift shall not be considered to be given for a nonbusiness purpose if the individual giving the gift seeks—

“(i) to deduct the value of such gift as a business expense on the individual's Federal income tax return, or

“(ii) direct or indirect reimbursement or any other compensation for the value of the gift from a client or employer of such lobbyist or foreign agent.

“(C) In determining if the giving of a gift is motivated by a family relationship or close personal friendship, at least the following factors shall be considered:

“(i) The history of the relationship between the individual giving the gift and the recipient of the gift, including whether or not gifts have previously been exchanged by such individuals.

“(ii) Whether the gift was purchased by the individual who gave the item.

“(iii) Whether the individual who gave the gift also at the same time gave the same or similar gifts to other members, officers, or employees of the Senate.

“(g)(1) The Committee on Rules and Administration is authorized to adjust the dollar amount referred to in subparagraph (d)(5) on a periodic basis, to the extent necessary to adjust for inflation.

“(2) The Select Committee on Ethics shall provide guidance setting forth reasonable steps that may be taken by members, officers, and employees, with a minimum of paperwork and time, to prevent the acceptance of prohibited gifts from lobbyists.

“(3) When it is not practicable to return a tangible item because it is perishable, the item may, at the discretion of the recipient, be given to an appropriate charity or destroyed.

“3. (a)(1) Except as prohibited by paragraph 1, a reimbursement (including payment in kind) to a member, officer, or employee for necessary transportation, lodging and related expenses for travel to a meeting, speaking engagement, factfinding trip or similar event in connection with the duties of the member, officer, or employee as an officeholder shall be deemed to be a reimbursement to the Senate and not a gift prohibited by this rule, if the member, officer, or employee—

"(A) in the case of an employee, receives advance authorization, from the member or officer under whose direct supervision the employee works, to accept reimbursement, and

"(B) discloses the expenses reimbursed or to be reimbursed and the authorization to the Secretary of the Senate within 30 days after the travel is completed.

"(2) For purposes of clause (1), events, the activities of which are substantially recreational in nature, shall not be considered to be in connection with the duties of a member, officer, or employee as an officeholder.

"(b) Each advance authorization to accept reimbursement shall be signed by the member or officer under whose direct supervision the employee works and shall include—

"(1) the name of the employee;

"(2) the name of the person who will make the reimbursement;

"(3) the time, place, and purpose of the travel; and

"(4) a determination that the travel is in connection with the duties of the employee as an officeholder and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

"(c) Each disclosure made under subparagraph (a)(1) of expenses reimbursed or to be reimbursed shall be signed by the member or officer (in the case of travel by that member or officer) or by the member or officer under whose direct supervision the employee works (in the case of travel by an employee) and shall include—

"(1) a good faith estimate of total transportation expenses reimbursed or to be reimbursed;

"(2) a good faith estimate of total lodging expenses reimbursed or to be reimbursed;

"(3) a good faith estimate of total meal expenses reimbursed or to be reimbursed;

"(4) a good faith estimate of the total of other expenses reimbursed or to be reimbursed;

"(5) a determination that all such expenses are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in this paragraph; and

"(6) in the case of a reimbursement to a member or officer, a determination that the travel was in connection with the duties of the member or officer as an officeholder and would not create the appearance that the member or officer is using public office for private gain.

"(d) For the purposes of this paragraph, the term 'necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses'—

"(1) includes reasonable expenses that are necessary for travel for a period not exceeding 3 days exclusive of traveltime within the United States or 7 days exclusive of traveltime outside of the United States unless approved in advance by the Select Committee on Ethics;

"(2) is limited to reasonable expenditures for transportation, lodging, conference fees and materials, and food and refreshments, including reimbursement for necessary transportation, whether or not such transportation occurs within the periods described in clause (1);

"(3) does not include expenditures for recreational activities, or entertainment other than that provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event; and

"(4) may include travel expenses incurred on behalf of either the spouse or a child of the member, officer, or employee, subject to a determination signed by the member or officer (or in the case of an employee, the member or officer under whose direct supervision the employee works) that the attendance of the spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate.

"(e) The Secretary of the Senate shall make available to the public all advance authorizations and disclosures of reimbursement filed pursuant to subparagraph (a) as soon as possible after they are received.

"4. In this rule:

"(a) The term 'client' means any person or entity that employs or retains another person for financial or other compensation to conduct lobbying activities on behalf of that person or entity. A person or entity whose employees act as lobbyists on its own behalf is both a client and an employer of such employees. In the case of a coalition or association that employs or retains other persons to conduct lobbying activities, the client is—

"(1) the coalition or association and not its individual members when the lobbying activities are conducted on behalf of its membership and financed by the coalition's or association's dues and assessments; or

"(2) an individual member or members, when the lobbying activities are conducted on behalf of, and financed separately by, 1 or more individual members and not by the coalition's or association's dues and assessments.

"(b) The term 'lobbying firm'—

"(A) means a person or entity that has 1 or more employees who are lobbyists on behalf of a client other than that person or entity; and

"(B) includes a self-employed individual who is a lobbyist.

"(c) The term 'lobbyist' means a person registered under section 308 of the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act (2 U.S.C. 267) or required to be registered under any successor statute.

"(d) The term 'State' means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, and any commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States."

(b) AMENDMENTS TO THE ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT ACT.—Section 102(a)(2)(B) of the Ethics in Government Act (5 U.S.C. 102, App. 6) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Reimbursements deemed accepted by the Senate pursuant to Rule XXXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate shall be reported as required by such rule and need not be reported under this section."

(c) REPEAL OF OBSOLETE PROVISION.—Section 901 of the Ethics Reform Act of 1989 (2 U.S.C. 31-2) is repealed.

(d) GENERAL SENATE PROVISIONS.—The Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, on behalf of the Senate, may accept gifts provided they do not involve any duty, burden, or condition, or are not made dependent upon some future performance by the United States. The Committee on Rules and Administration is authorized to promulgate regulations to carry out this section.

(e) RULEMAKING.—Subsections (a) and (d) are enacted by the Senate—

(1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the Senate and pursuant to section 7353(b)(1) of title 5, United States Code, and accordingly, they shall be considered as part of the rules of the Senate, and such rules shall supersede other rules only to the extent that they are inconsistent therewith; and

(2) with full recognition of the constitutional right of the Senate to change such rules at any time and in the same manner and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of the Senate.

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amendments made by this section shall take effect on May 31, 1995.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

THE ALBION COLLEGE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

• Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I want to recognize and congratulate the Albion College Britons football team the 1994 NCAA Division III national champions.

On a rainy Saturday afternoon in December, the Britons met the Washington & Jefferson Presidents in the 22d annual Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl in Salem, VA. Coming into the game, the Presidents had the Nation's top-ranked defense in Division III. The Britons, winners of six consecutive Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association titles, rose to the occasion to win a 38-15 victory. The victory capped an impressive drive through four playoff games which included victories over three former national champions.

At one point, the Britons scored 31 unanswered points. The aggressive Albion defense and special teams forced three turnovers and returned an interception for a touchdown. Tailback Jeff Robinson rushed for 166 yards on the soggy field and scored three touchdowns.

The Albion players and coaches have faced many challenges this year as they went to an undefeated 13-0 record. They overcame them by pulling together as a team and playing their hearts out. I admire their spirit and applaud them for giving it their all in every game.

I want to extend my warmest congratulations to each of the players, coaches, parent, and supporters of this championship team as well as to President Melvin Vulgamore and the entire Albion College community.

The members of the 1994 national champion Albion College Britons include: Ralph Abbott, Chad Abbuhl, Frank Baiardi, Chris Barnett, Ben Bates, Eric Bernaiche, Jason Beglin, Scott Bigford, Eric Breitenbeck, Rob Britt, Brad Brown, Mike Cabana, Vince Callahan, Scott Casteale, Tom Cavanaugh, Gabe Cooper, David Cox, Kevin Curtis, Rob Dancer, Jim Davis, Bob Donaldson, Alec Egnatuk, Bill Ermiger, Jon Evans, Brian Fought, Jamie Glinski, Scott Goodwin, James Grimes, Tony Gross, Steve Guibord, Scott Harris, Scott Harrison, Eric Hayhurst, Jim Heaslip, Casey Heckathorn, Ray Henke, Matt Henne, Martin Heyboer, P.J. Holser, Ron James, Mike Johnson, Neil Johnson, Mike Jones, Fred Kahle, Heath Kent, Kyle Klein, Brian Lee, David Lefere, John Lloyd, Matt Lynn, Brian Mack, Ryan Maki, Eric Maust, Derek Mazur, Mark McDonald, Marvin McNeese, Jr., Trent McPheeters, Steve Merchant, Rusty Mitcham, Shawn Mitchelson, Dave Morelli, Todd Morris, Mike Mumper, Todd Murphy, Brian Murray, Jason Nagy, Mike Oursler, Jamie Palazeti, Todd Pautuk, Joe Pesci, Tom Phebus, Angelo Popofski, Tom Raven, Nate Reed, D.J. Rehberg, Darrell Robins, Jeff Robinson, Mike Robinson,