

States Senate, or (4) for payments to the Postmaster, United States Senate, or (5) for the payment of metered charges on copying equipment provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (6) for the payment of Senate Recording and Photographic Services.

SEC. 5. There are authorized such sums as may be necessary for agency contributions related to the compensation of employees of the committee from March 1, 1995, through February 29, 1996, and March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, to be paid from the Appropriations account for "Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations."

SENATE RESOLUTION 42—MAKING MINORITY PARTY APPOINTMENTS TO THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Mr. DASCHLE submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 42

Resolved, That the following shall constitute the minority party's membership on the Ethics Committee for the One Hundred and Fourth Congress, or until their successors are chosen:

Select Committee on Ethics: Mr. Bryan, Vice Chair, Ms. Mikulski, and Mr. Dorgan.

SENATE RESOLUTION 43—ORIGINAL RESOLUTION REPORTED AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES BY THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SPECTER, from the Select Committee on Intelligence, reported the following original resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration:

S. RES. 43

Resolved, That, in carrying out its powers, duties, and functions under the Standing Rules of the Senate, in accordance with its jurisdiction under rule XXV of such rules, including holding hearings, reporting such hearings, and making investigations as authorized by paragraphs 1 and 8 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the committee on Intelligence is authorized from March 1, 1995 through February 29, 1996, and March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, in its discretion (1) to make expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate, (2) to employ personnel, and (3) with the prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration, to use on a reimbursable or non-reimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

SEC. 2. The expenses of the committee for the period March 1, 1995, through February 29, 1996, under this resolution shall not exceed \$2,228,666 of which amount (1) not to exceed \$30,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended).

(b) For the period March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, expenses of the committee under this resolution shall not exceed \$2,280,704, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$30,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended).

SEC. 3. The committee shall report its findings, together with such recommendations for legislation as it deems advisable, to the Senate at the earliest practicable date, but not later than February 29, 1996 and February 28, 1997, respectively.

SEC. 4. Expenses of the committee under this resolution shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the chairman of the committee, except that vouchers shall not be required (1) for the disbursement of salaries of employees paid at an annual rate, or (2) for the payment of telecommunications provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (3) for the payment of stationery supplies purchased through the Keeper of the Stationery, United States Senate, or (4) for payments to the Postmaster, United States Senate, or (5) for the payment of metered charges on copying equipment provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (6) for the payment of Senate Recording and Photographic Services.

SEC. 5. There are authorized such sums as may be necessary for agency contributions related to the compensation of employees of the committee, from March 1, 1995, through February 28, 1996, and March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, to be paid from the Appropriations account for "Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations."

SENATE RESOLUTION 44—AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES BY THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. COHEN (for himself and Mr. PRYOR) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration:

S. RES. 44

Resolved, That, in carrying out its powers, duties, and functions under the Standing Rules of the Senate, in accordance with its jurisdiction under rule XXV of such rules, including holding hearings, reporting such hearings, and making investigations as authorized by paragraphs 1 and 8 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Special Committee on Aging is authorized from March 1, 1995, through February 29, 1996, and March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, in its discretion—

(1) to make expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate,

(2) to employ personnel, and

(3) with the prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration, to use on a reimbursable or nonreimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

SEC. 2. (a) The expenses of the committee for the period March 1, 1995, through February 29, 1996, under this resolution shall not exceed \$1,025,746.

(b) For the period March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, expenses of the committee under this resolution shall not exceed \$1,048,589.

SEC. 3. The committee shall report its findings, together with such recommendations for legislation as it deems advisable, to the Senate at the earliest practicable date, but not later than February 29, 1996, and February 28, 1997, respectively.

SEC. 4. Expenses of the committee under this resolution shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the chairman of the committee, except that vouchers shall not be required—

(1) for the disbursement of salaries of employees paid at an annual rate,

(2) for the payment of telecommunications provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate,

(3) for the payment of stationery supplies purchased through the Keeper of the Stationery, United States Senate,

(4) for payments to the Postmaster, United States Senate,

(5) for the payment of metered charges on copying equipment provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or

(6) for the payment of Senate Recording and Photographic Services.

SEC. 5. There are authorized such sums as may be necessary for agency contributions related to the compensation of employees of the committee from March 1, 1995, through February 29, 1996, and March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, to be paid from the Appropriations account for "Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations."

• Mr. COHEN, Mr. President, on behalf of myself and Senator PRYOR, I am pleased to submit a resolution to provide funding from the contingent fund of the Senate for operational moneys for the Senate Special Committee on Aging for the years 1995 and 1996. I am hopeful that the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration will approve this funding request.

The amounts contained in this budget request fully comply with the direction of the Rules Committee to reduce the operational budget of the committee substantially below the 1994 budget authorization level.

Senator PRYOR and I are fully committed to implementing these reductions in both the salary and administrative portions of the committee budget. We believe that the budget submissions we are providing today to the Rules Committee reflect the commitment of myself, as chairman, and Senator PRYOR, as ranking member, to make the operations of the committee as efficient as possible and to support the leadership's goal of reducing the number of Senate staff. We are confident that the committee will be able to pursue a very active agenda of oversight, investigations, and consumer education within these staffing levels.

The Special Committee on Aging plays a critical oversight function to the Congress and the American taxpayer. While some of the programs and issues reviewed by the committee are within the legislative purview of other committees, the Aging Committee conducts essential oversight and investigations of these programs to ensure that they are serving the needs of older Americans and taxpayers.

This past Congress, for example, the committee examined a broad array of issues affecting the elderly, including major fraud and abuse scams targeting Medicare; drug addicts manipulating the Social Security disability programs; trends of escalating out-of-pocket health care costs of older Americans, including prescription drug and long-term care costs; crime against the elderly; and consumer scams targeting senior citizens. In many instances, findings and recommendations of the committee with respect to the issues it

examined resulted in major legislative reforms, many of which have been enacted into law.

This year, the Aging Committee stands ready and able to take on a host of issues affecting older Americans. Some of the issues we plan to address this year will be investigating fraud and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs and recommending proposals to better protect these programs and their beneficiaries from fraudulent practices; evaluating and recommending improvements in the administration of the Social Security disability programs to ensure a more efficient expenditure of taxpayer dollars; and evaluating the effects of entitlement reform on programs serving the elderly and retired populations. We will also continue to evaluate the effects of health care reform proposals on the elderly, including proposals to assist older Americans and their families bear the exorbitant costs of long-term care.

Mr. President, for more than 30 years, the Special Committee on Aging has overseen the needs and trends of our Nation's aging population and the programs that serve current and future generations of older Americans. It has been my great pleasure and honor to serve under the able leadership of Senator PRYOR as chairman of the Aging Committee and I look forward to working closely with him in his new capacity as ranking member of the committee in a bipartisan, cooperative spirit that has been the tradition of the committee for over 30 years.

We look forward to the challenges the 104th Congress will hold for the Aging Committee, and urge the Rules Committee to approve our budget request.●

SENATE RESOLUTION 45—ORIGINAL RESOLUTION REPORTED AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES BY THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. ROTH, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, reported the following original resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration:

S. RES. 45

Resolved, That, in carry out its powers, duties, and functions under the Standing Rules of the Senate, in accordance with its jurisdiction under rule XXV of such rules, including holding hearings, reporting such hearings, and making investigations as authorized by paragraphs 1 and 8 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Committee on Governmental Affairs is authorized from March 1, 1995, through February 28, 1996, and March 1, 1996 through February 28, 1997, in its discretion (1) to make expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate, (2) to employ personnel, and (3) with the prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration to use on a reimbursable, or non-reimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

SEC. 2. The expenses of the committee for the period March 1, 1995, through February 28, 1996, under this resolution shall not exceed \$4,515,333, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$75,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended), and not to exceed \$2,470 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

(b) For the period March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, expenses of the committee under this resolution shall not exceed \$4,618,593, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$75,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended), and not to exceed \$2,470 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

SEC. 3 (a) The committee, or any duly authorized subcommittee thereof, is authorized to study or investigate

(1) the efficiency and economy of operations of all branches of the Government including the possible existence of fraud, misfeasance, malfeasance, collusion, mismanagement, incompetence, corruption, or unethical practices, waste, extravagance, conflicts of interest, and the improper expenditure of government funds in transactions, contracts, and activities of the government or of government officials and employees and any and all such improper practices between Government personnel and corporations, individuals, companies, or persons affiliated therewith, doing business with the Government; and the compliance or noncompliance of such corporations, companies, or individuals or other entities with the rules, regulations, and laws governing the various governmental agencies and its relationships with the public.

(2) the extent to which criminal or other improper practices or activities are, or have been, engaged in the field of labor-management relations or in groups or organizations of employees or employers, to the detriment of interests of the public, employers, or employees, and to determine whether any changes are required in the laws of the United States in order to protect such interests against the occurrence of such practices or activities;

(3) organized criminal activities which may operate in or otherwise utilize the facilities of interstate or international commerce in furtherance of any transactions and the manner and extent to which, and the identity of the persons, firms, or corporations, or other entities by whom such utilization is being made, and further, to study and investigate the manner in which and the extent to which persons engaged in organized criminal activity have infiltrated lawful business enterprise, and to study the adequacy of Federal laws to prevent the operations of organized crime in interstate or international commerce; and to determine whether any changes are required in the laws of the United States in order to protect the public against such practices or activities;

(4) all other aspects of crime and lawlessness within the United States which have an impact upon or affect the national health, welfare, and safety; including but not limited to investment fraud schemes, commodity and security fraud, computer fraud and the use of offshore banking and corporate facilities to carry out criminal objectives;

(5) The efficiency and economy of operations of all branches and functions of the Government with particular reference to—

(A) The effectiveness of present national security methods, staffing, and processes as tested against the requirements imposed by the rapidly mounting complexity of national security problems;

(B) the capacity of present national security staffing, methods, and processes to make full use of the Nation's resources of knowledge and talents;

(C) the adequacy of present intergovernmental relations between the United States and international organizations principally concerned with national security of which the United States is a member; and

(D) legislative and other proposals to improve these methods, processes, and relationships;

(6) The efficiency, economy, and effectiveness of all agencies and departments of the Government involved in the control and management of energy shortages including, but not limited to, their performance with respect to—

(A) the collection and dissemination of accurate statistics on fuel demand and supply;

(B) the implementation of effective energy conservation measures;

(C) the pricing of energy in all forms;

(D) coordination of energy programs with State and local government;

(E) control of exports of scarce fuels;

(F) the management of tax, import, pricing, and other policies affecting energy supplies;

(G) maintenance of the independent sector of the petroleum industry as a strong competitive force;

(H) the allocation of fuels in short supply by public and private entities;

(I) the management of energy supplies owned or controlled by the Government;

(J) relations with other oil producing and consuming countries;

(K) the monitoring of compliance by governments, corporations, or individuals with the laws and regulations governing the allocation, conservation, or pricing of energy supplies; and

(L) research into discovery and development of alternative energy supplies; and

(7) the efficiency and economy of all branches and functions of government with particular reference to the operations and management of Federal regulatory policies and programs: Provided, That, in carrying out the duties herein set forth, the inquiries of this committee or any subcommittee thereof shall not be deemed limited to the records, functions, and operations of any particular branch of the Government; but may extend to the records and activities of any persons, corporation, or other entity.

(b) Nothing contained in this section shall affect or impair the exercise of any other standing committee of the Senate of any power, or the discharge by such committee of any duty, conferred or imposed upon it by the Standing Rules of the Senate or by the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended.

(c) For the purpose of this section the committee, or any duly authorized subcommittee thereof, or its chairman, or any other member of the committee or subcommittee designated by the chairman, from March 1, 1995, through February 28, 1996, and March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, is authorized, in its, his, or their discretion (1) to require by subpoena or otherwise the attendance of witnesses and production of correspondence, books, papers, and documents, (2) to hold hearings, (3) to sit and act at any time or