

(3) the cost of designing and issuing the coins (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, overhead expenses, marketing, and shipping).

(b) **BULK SALES.**—The Secretary shall make bulk sales of the coins issued under this title at a reasonable discount.

(c) **PREPAID ORDERS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall accept prepaid orders for the coins minted under this title before the issuance of such coins.

(2) **DISCOUNT.**—Sale prices with respect to prepaid orders under paragraph (1) shall be at a reasonable discount.

(d) **SURCHARGES.**—All sales of coins minted under this title shall include a surcharge of—

(1) \$14 per coin for the \$1 coin; and

(2) \$7 per coin for the half dollar coin.

SEC. 106. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in subsection (b), no provision of law governing procurement or public contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods and services necessary for carrying out the provisions of this title.

(b) **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.**—Subsection (a) shall not relieve any person entering into a contract under the authority of this title from complying with any law relating to equal employment opportunity.

SEC. 107. DISTRIBUTION OF SURCHARGES.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The first \$7,000,000 of the surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under this title shall be promptly paid by the Secretary as follows:

(1) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the Museum of Arts and History, in the city of Port Huron, Michigan for the endowment and construction of a special museum on Thomas A. Edison's life in Port Huron.

(2) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the Edison Birthplace Association, Incorporated, in Milan, Ohio, to assist in such association's efforts to raise an endowment as a permanent source of support for the repair and maintenance of the Thomas A. Edison birthplace, a national historic landmark.

(3) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the National Park Service for use in protecting, restoring, and cataloguing historic documents and objects at Thomas A. Edison's "invention factory" in West Orange, New Jersey.

(4) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the Edison Plaza Museum in Beaumont, Texas, for expanding educational programs on Thomas A. Edison and for the repair and maintenance of the museum.

(5) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the Edison Winter Home and Museum in Fort Myers, Florida, for historic preservation, restoration, and maintenance of Thomas A. Edison's historic home and chemical laboratory.

(6) $\frac{1}{2}$ to Greenfield Village in Dearborn, Michigan, for use in maintaining and expanding displays and educational programs associated with Thomas A. Edison.

(7) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the Edison Memorial Tower in Edison, New Jersey, for the preservation, restoration, and expansion of the tower and museum.

(b) **EXCESS PAYABLE TO THE NATIONAL NUMISMATIC COLLECTION.**—After payment of the amount required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall pay the remaining surcharges to the National Museum of American History, Washington, D.C., for the support of the National Numismatic Collection at the museum.

(c) **AUDITS.**—The Comptroller General of the United States shall have the rights to examine such books, records, documents, and other data of any organization which receives any payment from the Secretary under this section, as may be related to the expenditures of amounts paid under this section.

SEC. 108. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.

(a) **NO NET COST TO THE GOVERNMENT.**—The Secretary shall take such actions as may be necessary to ensure that minting and issuing coins under this title will not result in any net cost to the United States Government.

Mr. BRADLEY. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to an extraordinary American and New Jerseyan. A hero of the imagination whose ingenuity and continuing output of technology profoundly changed the lives of people throughout the world. A genius who set a standard for American inventiveness that has keyed our progress as a nation.

Mr. President, it gives me great pleasure in my final floor statement to join my colleague from New Jersey, Senator LAUTENBERG, in introducing the THOMAS A. Edison Commemorative Coin Act.

In the spring of 1876, the young Thomas Alva Edison, not yet 30 years old, moved 15 of his workers to the small town of Menlo Park, NJ. This young man, who had decided to go into the "invention business," did not see inventions as strokes of luck. Rather, Edison believed that inventions were the products of dedicated work and purpose.

Mr. President, before he had reached 21 years of age, Edison was granted his first patent for a telegraphic vote-recording machine. He had developed this machine while he was reporting the votes of Congress over the press wires from his job as a telegraph operator. With this invention, at each rollcall Members of Congress would simply press a button at their seats, immediately registering the vote at the Speaker's desk, where votes were counted automatically. Already at this early age, Edison showed that he was ahead of his time. In response to his invention, the House declared that it was not ready for automated voting, and the Senate today continues to go by voice vote. For this, at the very least, it is suitable that Congress recognize Thomas Edison.

At Menlo Park, Edison developed a string of remarkable new technologies that would shape human history. In 1876 he was instrumental in improving the telephone to reach marketability. In 1877, Edison sang "Mary Had a Little Lamb" and played it back to his astonished workers, having invented the first "talking machine," or phonograph. On New Years' Eve in 1880, Edison illuminated Menlo Park at night with forty incandescent light bulbs, which he had developed 1 year earlier. In 1883, he extended the use of electricity to develop an electric railway that soon became the basis of an electric street car system. In 1891, he produced a Kinetoscope and 35 mm film using celluloid, two products which were the predecessors of all later motion-picture machines and film.

Despite his achievements, Edison was a man who held that there was no such thing as genius, and his many failed trials and efforts inspired him to say

that his success was "99 percent perspiration and 1 percent inspiration." For Thomas Edison, inventing was a passion, and he demanded as much from those who worked with him.

In authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury and the U.S. Mint to produce a commemorative coin in his memory, it is my hope that we will never forget to acknowledge Edison's contributions and inventive spirit. Once the costs of the production of the coin are recovered, proceeds from the sale of this coin will fund the renovation and upkeep of seven sites in five different States dedicated to preserving Edison's work, including the Invention Factory in West Orange, NJ, and the Edison Memorial Tower in Edison, NJ.

Mr. President, it is an honor for me to pay tribute to the Wizard of Menlo Park, whose inventions had a scope and effect which are truly awe-inspiring. We are duty-bound as a nation to preserve the memory of a man who developed technology that carried human speech and experience beyond time and space, and transformed night into day for millions of Americans.

I hope my colleagues will join me in strong support of this legislation.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 47

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 47, a bill to amend certain provisions of title 5, United States Code, in order to ensure equality between Federal firefighters and other employees in the civil service and other public sector firefighters, and for other purposes.

S. 1385

At the request of Mr. BREAUX, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1385, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of periodic colorectal screening services under part B of the Medicare Pprogram.

S. 1660

At the request of Mr. GLENN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1660, a bill to provide for ballast water management to prevent the introduction and spread of nonindigenous species into the waters of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1756

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1756, a bill to provide additional pension security for spouses and former spouses, and for other purposes.

S. 1951

At the request of Mr. FORD, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. JOHNSTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1951, a bill to ensure the competitiveness of the United States textile and apparel industry.

S. 2061

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr.

COHEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2061, a bill to amend title II of the Trade Act of 1974 to clarify the definition of domestic industry and to include certain agricultural products for purposes of providing relief from injury caused by import competition, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. JOHNSTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to require the President to impose economic sanctions against countries that fail to eliminate corrupt business practices, and for other purposes.

S. 2188

At the request of Mr. SIMPSON, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. PRESSLER) were added as cosponsors of S. 2188, a bill to provide for the retention of the name of the mountain at the Devils Tower National Monument in Wyoming known as "Devils Tower", and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 73

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 73, a concurrent resolution concerning the return of or compensation for wrongly confiscated foreign properties in formerly Communist countries and by certain foreign financial institutions.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 74—TO PROVIDE FOR A CHANGE IN THE ENROLLMENT OF H.R. 3539

Mr. BROWN submitted the following resolution; which will lie over, under the rule:

S. CON. RES. 74

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring): That the action of the Acting President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives in signing the bill (H.R. 3539) to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes, is rescinded and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall, in the reenrollment of such bill, add the following section at the end of title XII:

SAC. 12 . CONSTRUCTION OF RUNWAYS.

Notwithstanding section 332 of the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (109 Stat. 457), or any other provision of law that specifically restricts the number of runways at a single international airport, the Secretary of Transportation may obligate funds under chapters 471 and 481 of title 49, United States Code, for any project to construct a new runway at such airport, unless this section is expressly repealed.

SENATE RESOLUTION 311—DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1996 AS "NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH"

Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr.

BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BRADLEY, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. DODD, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. EXON, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HATCH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mrs. KASSEBAUM, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LOTT, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. PELL, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. REID, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SIMON, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WELLSTONE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 311

Whereas American Indians and Alaska Natives were the original inhabitants of the land that now constitutes the United States;

Whereas American Indian tribal governments developed the fundamental principles of freedom of speech and separation of powers that form the foundation of the United States Government;

Whereas American Indians and Alaska Natives have traditionally exhibited a respect for the finiteness of natural resources through a reverence for the earth;

Whereas American Indians and Alaska Natives have served with valor in all of America's wars beginning with the Revolutionary War through the conflict in the Persian Gulf, and often the percentage of American Indians who served exceeded significantly the percentage of American Indians in the population of the United States as a whole;

Whereas American Indians and Alaska Natives have made distinct and important contributions to the United States and the rest of the world in many fields, including agriculture, medicine, music, language, and art;

Whereas American Indians and Alaska Natives deserve to be recognized for their individual contributions to the United States as local and national leaders, artists, athletes, and scholars;

Whereas this recognition will encourage self-esteem, pride, and self-awareness in American Indians and Alaska Natives of all ages; and

Whereas November is a time when many Americans commemorate a special time in the history of the United States when American Indians and English settlers celebrated the bounty of their harvest and the promise of new kinships: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate designates November 1996 as "National American Indian Heritage Month" and requests that the President issue a proclamation calling on the Federal Government and State and local governments, interested groups and organizations, and the people of the United States to observe the month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 312—SALUTING THE SERVICE OF JOHN L. DONEY

Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. ROTH) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 312

Whereas, John L. Doney has served the United States Senate since September 1980;

Whereas, Mr. Doney has during his Senate career served in the capacities of staff assist-

ant to Senator Bill Roth, Senate Post Office Clerk, Republican Cloakroom assistant, assistant secretary to the minority, culminating in his appointment as assistant secretary to the majority;

Whereas, throughout his Senate career Mr. Doney has been a reliable source of advice to Senators and staff alike;

Whereas, Mr. Doney's more than 16 years of service have been characterized by infinite patience, unfailing good humor, and a deep sense of respect for this institution;

Therefore be it resolved, That the Senate salutes John L. Doney for his career of public service to the United States Senate and its members.

SENATE RESOLUTION 313—RELATING TO THE RETIREMENT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS, U.S. SENATE

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

S. RES. 313

Whereas the Senate has been advised of the retirement of its Superintendent of Documents, Ms. Jeanie Bowles;

Whereas Jeanie Bowles became an employee of the Senate of the United States on January 3, 1971, and since that date has ably and faithfully upheld the high standards and traditions of the staff of the Senate of the United States for a period that included thirteen Congresses;

Whereas Jeanie Bowles has served with distinction as Assistant Editor in the Office of the Official Reporters, which position she was appointed to February 2, 1981;

Whereas Jeanie Bowles has served with distinction as Superintendent of Documents, which position she has held since June 16, 1986;

Whereas Jeanie Bowles has discharged her responsibilities with efficiency, devotion, and grace, in particular dedicating her Senate service to the advancement of young people.

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the United States commends Jeanie Bowles for her exemplary service to the Senate and the Nation; wishes to express its deep gratitude and appreciation for her long, faithful, and outstanding service; and extends its best wishes upon her retirement.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Jeanie Bowles.

SENATE RESOLUTION 314—TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN APPOINTMENTS AFTER THE SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT OF THE PRESENT SESSION

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

S. RES. 314

Resolved, That notwithstanding the sine die adjournment of the present session of the Congress, the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, the Majority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Senate be, and they are hereby, authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.