

gaming economic development. Under the bill's provisions, our tribe will acquire approximately 300 acres of BLM land. These lands will be added to the tribal trust lands of the Fort Bidwell Indian Reservation. We expect to use the land for housing and grazing.

We sincerely appreciate your support for this important legislation.

Sincerely,

DENISE POLLARD,
Acting Chairperson.

MORONGO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS,
Banning, CA, October 25, 1999.

Hon. BARBARA BOXER,
*U.S. Senate,
Washington, DC.*

DEAR SENATOR BOXER: The purpose of this letter is to request that you sponsor and introduce legislation to transfer certain parcels of land from the Bureau of Land Management to various California Indian Tribes. It is our understanding that your staff has been working on this matter with Tribes and their representatives.

As you are aware, this proposed legislation is similar to legislation that was previously enacted transferring other Bureau of Land Management land to California Indian Tribes.

We appreciate your efforts in this area, as well as your support of the Tribes in California on the range of legislative issues and challenges that native Americans face.

Sincerely yours,

MARY ANN MARTIN ANDREAS,
Chairperson.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and
Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 1845. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the sale or transfer of a firearm or ammunition to an intoxicated person; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

GUN SALES TO INTOXICATED PERSONS

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, last July, when the Senate considered the Commerce-Justice-State appropriations bill, I offered an amendment to prohibit the sale of guns to people who were intoxicated.

State and local laws prohibit intoxicated people from operating a car, a boat, a snowmobile, a plane, an all-terrain vehicle, or a bicycle. There is even one state law that prohibits an intoxicated person from getting a tattoo. In addition, federal law prohibits an intoxicated person from enlisting in the military. And, federal gun laws prohibit the sale of a gun to a drug user.

My amendment simply built on this record. All it said is that if you are intoxicated, you cannot buy a gun or ammunition. To me, it just makes common sense that someone who is drunk should not be able to buy a gun. And, the Senate agreed because my amendment was passed unanimously.

Unfortunately, Mr. President, the conference committee dropped this provision from the bill. I am extremely disappointed that such a common-sense proposal would be abandoned by the Senate leadership.

So, today, I am introducing—along with my colleague, Senator LAUTENBERG—this very reasonable proposal as a free-standing bill.

Mr. President, guns and alcohol do not mix. A 1997 study in the Journal of

American Medical Association found that "alcohol and illicit drug use appear to be associated with an increased risk of violent death." And as the two stories I want to share today illustrate, alcohol is also associated with an increased risk of serious injury.

The first story is about a woman by the name of Deborah Kitchen. She is a quadriplegic, and she got that way because her ex-boyfriend shot her.

On the day of the shooting, Deborah's boyfriend, Thomas Knapp, consumed—by his own estimate—a fifth of whiskey and a case of beer. He went to K-Mart in Florida to buy a .22-caliber rifle and a box of bullets. Mr. Knapp was so intoxicated that the clerk had to help him fill out the federal form required to purchase the gun. But he was still able to buy the rifle.

Mr. Knapp then took that rifle, shot his ex-girlfriend Deborah Kitchen, and left her a quadriplegic.

The second story is from Michigan. It involves an 18-year-old named Walter McKay, who had engaged in a day-long drinking spree and then went and bought ammunition for his shotgun. He was so intoxicated that he could not remember whether it was a man or woman who sold him the ammunition and could not identify what he purchased.

He took those shotgun shells, loaded his gun, and intended to shoot out the back window of an acquaintance's truck. He was intoxicated. The shot missed, ricocheted off the wheel of the truck, and hit Anthony Buczkowski. Mr. Buczkowski had to have a finger amputated and his left wrist surgically fused.

Mr. Knapp and Mr. McKay could buy a gun and ammunition because it is not—I repeat, not—against the law to sell a gun or ammunition to someone who is intoxicated.

Mr. President, as I mentioned earlier, states and localities have all sorts of laws prohibiting people who are intoxicated from doing certain things. But, I am unaware of a single state law that prohibits someone who is drunk from buying a gun or ammunition.

It would be nice if states would act. But, gun sales are largely regulated at the federal level and involve federal licenses and federal forms. This is a federal responsibility, and there should be a federal law that stops this outrage.

That is what my bill does. If you are intoxicated, you would not be able to buy a gun or ammunition. It is very reasonable, and it will save lives.●

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 59

At the request of Mr. THOMPSON, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. ROTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 59, a bill to provide Government-wide accounting of regulatory costs and benefits, and for other purposes.

S. 345

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Minnesota

(Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 345, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to remove the limitation that permits interstate movement of live birds, for the purpose of fighting, to States in which animal fighting is lawful.

S. 386

At the request of Mr. GORTON, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 386, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for tax-exempt bond financing of certain electric facilities.

S. 486

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) and the Senator from Washington (Mr. GORTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 486, a bill to provide for the punishment of methamphetamine laboratory operators, provide additional resources to combat methamphetamine production, trafficking, and abuse in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 512

At the request of Mr. GORTON, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 512, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the activities of the Department of Health and Human Services with respect to research on autism.

S. 600

At the request of Mr. WELLSTONE, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ROBB) was added as a cosponsor of S. 600, a bill to combat the crime of international trafficking and to protect the rights of victims.

S. 664

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 664, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit against income tax to individuals who rehabilitate historic homes or who are the first purchasers of rehabilitated historic homes for use as a principal residence.

S. 941

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 941, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a public response to the public health crisis of pain, and for other purposes.

S. 964

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 964, a bill to provide for equitable compensation for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, and for other purposes.

S. 1053

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1053, a bill to amend the Clean Air Act to incorporate certain provisions

of the transportation conformity regulations, as in effect on March 1, 1999.

S. 1109

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1109, a bill to conserve global bear populations by prohibiting the importation, exportation, and interstate trade of bear viscera and items, products, or substances containing, or labeled or advertised as containing, bear viscera, and for other purposes.

S. 1187

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI), the Senator from Alaska (Mr. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), the Senator from New York (Mr. MOYNIHAN), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. GRAMS), and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND) were added as cosponsors of S. 1187, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, and for other purposes.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. THOMPSON, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. ROTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to establish a 3-year pilot project for the General Accounting Office to report to Congress on economically significant rules of Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 1317

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1317, a bill to reauthorize the Welfare-To-Work program to provide additional resources and flexibility to improve the administration of the program.

S. 1400

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1400, A bill to protect women's reproductive health and constitutional right to choice, and for other purposes.

S. 1528

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1528, a bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to clarify liability under that Act for certain recycling transactions.

S. 1592

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1592, a bill to amend the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act to provide to cer-

tain nationals of El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Haiti an opportunity to apply for adjustment of status under that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1680

At the request of Mr. ASHCROFT, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1680, a bill to provide for the improvement of the processing of claims for veterans compensation and pensions, and for other purposes.

S. 1760

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1760, a bill to provide reliable officers, technology, education, community prosecutors, and training in our neighborhoods.

S. 1798

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1798, a bill to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide enhanced protection for investors and innovators, protect patent terms, reduce patent litigation, and for other purposes.

S. 1823

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1823, a bill to revise and extend the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1994.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 61

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 61, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding a continued United States security presence in Panama and a review of the contract bidding process for the Balboa and Cristobal port facilities on each end of the Panama Canal.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 63

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 63, a concurrent resolution condemning the assassination of Armenian Prime Minister Vazgen Sargsian and other officials of the Armenian Government and expressing the sense of the Congress in mourning this tragic loss of the duly elected leadership of Armenia.

SENATE RESOLUTION 118

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 118, a resolution designating December 12, 1999, as "National Children's Memorial Day."

SENATE RESOLUTION 196

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS), the Senator

from Nebraska (Mr. KERREY), and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 196, a resolution commending the submarine force of the United States Navy on the 100th anniversary of the force.

SENATE RESOLUTION 204

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 204, a resolution designating the week beginning November 21, 1999, and the week beginning on November 19, 2000, as "National Family Week", and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 2319

At the request of Mr. ROBB his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2319 proposed to S. 1692, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial birth abortions.

AMENDMENT NO. 2408

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2408 intended to be proposed to H.R. 434, a bill to authorize a new trade and investment policy for sub-Saharan Africa.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 65—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING THE PRESERVATION OF FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION FOR CONTRACTS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF UNITED STATES MILITARY CARGO BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND

Mr. TORRICELLI submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

S. CON. RES. 65

Whereas the Treaty Between the United States of America and the Republic of Iceland to Facilitate Their Defense Relationship and Related Memorandum of Understanding in Implementation of the Treaty, signed September 24, 1986, provides for full and open competition among United States-flag carriers and Icelandic shipping companies for the transportation of United States military cargo between the United States and Iceland: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the President should ensure that full and open competition continues in the selection of companies to transport United States military cargo between the United States and Iceland in accordance with the Treaty Between the United States of America and the Republic of Iceland to Facilitate Their Defense Relationship and Related Memorandum of Understanding in Implementation of the Treaty, signed September 24, 1986; and

(2) to preserve that competition, neither the Secretary of State nor any other official of the United States should, without the advice and consent of the Senate, seek to amend, interpret, or alter the administration of the treaty or memorandum of understanding in any manner (through limitations on eligibility or otherwise) that—

(A) would preclude companies qualified to conduct business under the laws of the