recommendations developed under this section.

(2) DISTRIBUTION.—The Comptroller General shall distribute the report described in paragraph (1) to each local educational agency and State educational agency in the United States, the Secretary, and Congress.

(f) FUNDING.—The Secretary shall make available to the Comptroller General, from any funds available to the Secretary for salaries and expenses at the Department of Education, such sums as the Comptroller General determines necessary to carry out this section.

SEC. 702. TEACHER TRAINING.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that too often inexperienced elementary school and secondary school teachers or teachers with low levels of education are found in schools predominately serving low-income students.

(b) STUDY.—The Comptroller General shall conduct a study to determine whether requiring teacher training in a specific subject matter or at least a minor degree in a subject matter (such as mathematics, science, or English results in improved student performance.

SEC. 703. PUTTING THE BEST TEACHERS IN THE CLASSROOM.

It is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) the individual States should evaluate their teachers on the basis of demonstrated ability, including tests of subject matter knowledge, teaching knowledge, and teaching skill;

(2) States in conjunction with the various local education agencies should develop their own methods of testing their teachers and other instructional staff with respect to the specific subjects taught by the teachers and staff, and should administer the test every 4 years to individual teachers;

(3) each local educational agency should give serious consideration to using a portion of the funds made available under section 101 to develop and implement a method for evaluating each individual teacher's ability to provide the appropriate instruction in the classroom; and

(4) each local educational agency is encouraged to give consideration to providing monetary rewards to teachers by developing a compensation system that supports teachers who become increasingly expert in a subject area, are proficient in meeting the needs of students and schools, and demonstrate high levels of performance measured against professional teaching standards, and that will encourage teachers to continue to learn needed skills and broaden the teachers' expertise, thereby enhancing education for all students.

TITLE VIII—EMPOWERING STUDENTS

SEC. 801. EMPOWERING STUDENTS.

The Secretary, not later than October 1, 2004, shall gradually reduce the sum of the costs for employees and administrative expenses at the Department of Education as of the date of enactment of this Act incrementally each year until the sum of the costs for employees and administrative costs are reduced by 35 percent.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 98

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. KERREY), and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 98, a bill to authorize appropriations for the Surface Transportation Board for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, and for other purposes.

S. 288

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 288, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from income certain amounts received under the National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program and F. Edward Hebert Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship and Financial Assistance Program.

S. 296

At the request of Mr. FRIST, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) were added as cosponsors of S. 296, a bill to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, and for other purposes.

S. 322

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 322, a bill to amend title 4, United States Code, to add the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed.

S. 335

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 335, a bill to amend chapter 30 of title 39, United States Code, to provide for the nonmailability of certain deceptive matter relating to games of chance, administrative procedures, orders, and civil penalties relating to such matter, and for other purposes.

S. 364

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 364, a bill to improve certain loan programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 368

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. CAMPBELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 368, a bill to authorize the minting and issuance of a commemorative coin in honor of the founding of Biloxi, Mississippi.

S. 376

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 376, a bill to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications, and for other purposes.

S. 427

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 427, a bill to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, and for other purposes.

S. 428

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 428, a bill to amend the Agricultural Market Transition Act to ensure that producers of all classes of soft white wheat (including club wheat) are permitted to repay marketing assistance loans, or receive loan deficiency payments, for the wheat at the same rate.

S. 429

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. MOYNIHAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 429, a bill to designate the legal public holiday of ''Washington's Birthday'' as ''Presidents' Day'' in honor of George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and Franklin Roosevelt and in recognition of the importance of the institution of the Presidency and the contributions that Presidents have made to the development of our Nation and the principles of freedom and democracy.

S. 445

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 445, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out a demonstration project to provide the Department of Veterans Affairs with medicare reimbursement for medicare healthcare services provided to certain medicare-eligible veterans.

S. 446

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 446, a bill to provide for the permanent protection of the resources of the United States in the year 2000 and beyond.

S. 459

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 459, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the State ceiling on private activity bonds.

At the request of Mr. BREAUX, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO), and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) were added as cosponsors of S. 459, supra.

S. 472

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 472, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide certain medicare beneficiaries with an exemption to the financial limitations imposed on physical, speech-language pathology, and occupational therapy services under part B of the medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 531

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 531, a bill to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Rosa Parks in recognition of her contributions to the Nation.

S. 595

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 595, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a graduated response to shrinking domestic oil and gas production and surging foreign oil imports, and for other purposes.

S. 597

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 597, a bill to amend section 922 of chapter 44 of title 28, United States Code, to protect the right of citizens under the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

S. 608

At the request of Mr. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 608, a bill to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.

SENATE RESOLUTION 33

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Texas (Mr. GRAMM), and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 33, a resolution designating May 1999 as ''National Military Appreciation Month.''

SENATE RESOLUTION 54

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 54, a resolution condemning the escalating violence, the gross violation of human rights and attacks against civilians, and the attempt to overthrow a democratically elected government in Sierra Leone.

SENATE RESOLUTION 68

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE), the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN), and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 68, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the treatment of women and girls by the Taliban in Afghanistan.

SENATE RESOLUTION 69—TO PROHIBIT THE CONSIDERATION OF RETROACTIVE TAX INCREASES IN THE SENATE

Mr. COVERDELL (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KYL, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration:

S. RES. 69

Resolved,

SECTION 1. RULE OF THE SENATE PROHIBITING CONSIDERATION OF RETROACTIVE TAX INCREASES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report, that includes a retroactive Federal income tax rate increase.

(b) DEFINITION.—In this resolution—

(1) the term ''Federal income tax rate increase'' means any amendment to subsection (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e) of section 1, or to section 11(b) or 55(b), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, that imposes a new percentage as a rate of tax and thereby increases the amount of tax imposed by any such section; and

(2) a Federal income tax rate increase is retroactive if it applies to a period beginning prior to the enactment of the provision.

(c) SUPERMAJORITY WAIVER.—

(1) WAIVER.—The point of order in subsection (a) may be waived or suspended only by the affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn.

(2) APPEALS.—An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under subsection (a).

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This resolution takes effect on January 1, 1999.

SENATE RESOLUTION 70—TO AUTHORIZE REPRESENTATION OF SENATE AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE

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

S. RES. 70

Whereas, in the case of *James E. Pietrangelo, II* v. *United States Senate, et al.*, Case No. 1:99–CV–323, pending in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, the plaintiff has named the United States Senate and all Members of the Senate as defendants;

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 704(a)(1) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. §§288b(a) and 288c(a)(1), the Senate may direct its counsel to defend the Senate and Members of the Senate in civil actions relating to their official responsibilities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate Legal Counsel is directed to represent the Senate and all Members of the Senate in the case of *James E. Pietrangelo, II* v. *United States Senate, et al.*

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999

HATCH (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 79

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. KENNEDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by them to the bill (S. 544) making emergency supplemental appropriations and rescissions for recovery from natural disasters, and foreign assistance, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . COMPLIANCE WITH ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR FEDERAL PROSECUTORS.

Section 801 of title VIII of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999 (Public Law 105–277) is amended by striking subsection (c) and inserting the following:

''(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act.''.

STEVENS AMENDMENT NO. 80

Mr. STEVENS proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 544, supra; as follows:

Insert on page 43, after line 15:

''PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

''HOUSING CERTIFICATE FUND

''(DEFERRAL)

''Of the funds made available under this heading in Public Law 105–276 for use in connection with expiring or terminating section 8 contracts, $350,000,000 shall not become available until October 1, 1999.''.

On page 42, strike beginning with line 10 through the end of line 21.

HUTCHISON AMENDMENT NO. 81

Mrs. HUTCHISON proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 544, supra; as follows:

On page 58, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

TITLE ____—RESTRICTIONS ON DEPLOYMENT OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN KOSOVO

SEC. ____01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''_____ Act of 1999''.

SEC. ____02. DEFINITION.

In this title, the term ''Yugoslavia'' means the so-called Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro).

SEC. ____03. FUNDING LIMITATION.

(a) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Defense, including funds appropriated for fiscal year 1999 and prior fiscal years, may be obligated or expended for any deployment of ground forces of the Armed Forces of the United States to Kosovo unless and until—

(1) the parties to the conflict in Kosovo have signed an agreement for the establishment of peace in Kosovo;

(2) the President has transmitted to Congress the report provided for under section 8115 of Public Law 105–262 (112 Stat. 2327); and

(3) the President has transmitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate a report containing—

(A) a certification—

(i) that deployment of the Armed Forces of the United States to Kosovo is in the national security interests of the United States;

(ii) that—

(I) the President will submit to Congress an amended budget for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2000 not later than 60 days after the commencement of the deployment of the Armed Forces of the United States to Kosovo that includes an amount sufficient for such deployment; and