

While the current safety standard for child restraints specifies that child restraints be tested at an impact of 30 mph, tests are regularly conducted at speeds as low as 27.6 mph. The Government does not crash test any child restraints in actual motor vehicles; and it has not required that child restraint manufacturers simplify and standardize instructions for installing and using child restraints.

Finally, although head injuries from motor vehicle collisions frequently are the cause of serious injuries or fatalities, many makes and models of child restraints do not offer side-impact padding or other protection from head injuries in side-impact crashes. The Child Passenger Protection Act requires the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to initiate a rulemaking that would address these and other deficiencies in our current child restraint system.

Under this legislation, DOT will also begin a comprehensive program to provide information to consumers for use in making informed decisions in the purchase of child restraints. The Secretary must issue a notice of proposed rulemaking to establish such a program within 12 months of the bill's enactment, and it must issue a final rule within 24 months of the bill's enactment.

The Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce and Tourism held a field meeting on June 19, 2000 in St. Louis, MO, to discuss the Child Passenger Protection Act. My colleague from Missouri, Senator JOHN ASHCROFT, chaired this field meeting, at which the subcommittee heard testimony from NHTSA, highway safety advocates, and a pediatric surgeon concerning the current state of child passenger safety and additional ways to improve safety. S. 2070 passed the full Committee on Commerce, with a substitute amendment, by voice vote on September 20, 2000.

This committee amendment to S. 2070, which has been incorporated into section 14 of the TREAD Act, also requires a study, within 12 months of the bill's enactment, of automobile booster seat use and effectiveness. In addition, this committee amendment requires DOT to develop a 5-year strategic plan to reduce deaths and injuries caused by the failure to use an appropriate booster seat for children between the ages of 4 and 8 years. The bill thus focuses more attention on an issue that automobile safety advocates have dubbed the "forgotten child problem." This problem exists for children, usually between the ages of four and eight years, who have outgrown their infant child restraints but who do not fit properly in adult seat belts.

I want to close by extending my thanks to all who have so strongly supported this legislation, including the American College of Emergency Physicians, Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, the Easter Seals KARS program, State Farm Insurance,

SafetyBeltSafe U.S.A., the National SAFE KIDS Campaign, the co-authors of the book *Baby Bargains*, Consumers Union, and the American Automobile Association. I congratulate my colleague from Illinois, Congressman JOHN SHIMKUS, who introduced companion legislation in the House of Representatives, for his fine work on getting this legislation included in the TREAD Act and through the House of Representatives on Tuesday. I am pleased that this important piece of legislation passed the Senate unanimously last week.

VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, it has been more than a year since the Columbine tragedy, but still this Republican Congress refuses to act on sensible gun legislation.

Since Columbine, thousands of Americans have been killed by gunfire. Until we act, Democrats in the Senate will read the names of some of those who have lost their lives to gun violence in the past year, and we will continue to do so every day that the Senate is in session.

In the name of those who died, we will continue this fight. Following are the names of some of the people who were killed by gunfire one year ago today.

October 17, 1999:

Ariosto Bautista, 20, Rochester, NY;
Tavaris Covington, 20, Charlotte, NC;
Jilad Edwards, 16, Detroit, MI;
Jason Jones, 16, Baltimore, MD;
Edward Mason, 76, Dallas, TX;
Luis Hernandez, 30, Oakland, CA;
Hiram J. Rumlin, 25, Rochester, NY;
Herbert Sanford, 21, Detroit, MI;
John Williams, 36, Baltimore, MD;
Ladrandria Williams, 18, Detroit, MI;

and

Unidentified Male, 82, Portland, OR.

Following are the names of some of the people who were killed by gunfire one year ago Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

October 13, 1999:

Adnan Ahmed Ali, 21, Memphis, TN;
Richard Baker, 27, Philadelphia, PA;
Ivan Cook, Sr., 68, Knoxville, TN;
Granville Deshields, 23, Philadelphia, PA;

PA;

Kevin Hooker, 20, Atlanta, GA;
Robert Liggins, 35, Dallas, TX;
Christopher Scott, 25, Baltimore, MD;

Theresa Scott, 38, Detroit, MI;
Zzeene Stukes, 23, Baltimore, MD;
Davey Taylor, 22, Detroit, MI;
Unidentified Male, Long Beach, CA;
Unidentified Male, Portland, OR; and
Unidentified Male, Washington, DC.

October 14, 1999:

Andre Chamberlin, 23, Washington, DC;
Nathen Davis, 23, Washington, DC;
Luis Fernandez, 38, Miami-Dade County, FL;
Ronnell Johnson, 22, Baltimore, MD;
Shaun Lynch, 20, Houston, TX;
Jennifer Monte, 23, Philadelphia, PA;

David Naysmith, 29, Detroit, MI;
Eliezer Nieves, 30, Miami-Dade County, FL; and
Unidentified Male, 19, Portland, OR.

October 15, 1999:

Justin Alban, 23, Baltimore, MD;
Albert Carballo, 48, Miami-Dade County, FL;
Carl Creary, 48, Miami-Dade County, FL;

Devadiipa Creary, Miami-Dade County, FL;

Sylvester Exum, 45, Memphis, TN;
Juan Godin, 42, Houston, TX;
Brian Harrington, 3, Detroit, MI;
Wanda Harrington, 47, Detroit, MI;
Guillermo Marquez, 32, Houston, TX;
Anton Parker, 19, Washington, DC;
Mario Pujol, 53, Miami-Dade County, FL;

Magdeil Rivera, 25, Bridgeport, CT;
Luis Velez, 20, Bridgeport, CT;
Clifton Walker, 31, Philadelphia, PA;
Unidentified Male, 16, Chicago, IL;
Unidentified Male, 96, Long Beach, CA; and

Unidentified Male, 17, Norfolk, VA.

October 16, 1999:

Hector Aviles, 21, Philadelphia, PA;
Norris Bradley, 19, Washington, DC;
Elenora Fisher, 35, New Orleans, LA;
Anthony Harth, 25, Kansas City, MO;
Pretlow Howell, 22, Chicago, IL;
Bruce Kelly, 35, Akron, OH;
Jose Martinez, 22, Houston, TX;
Jose Ramos, 24, Philadelphia, PA;
David Stopka, 25, Chicago, IL;
Carey Thompkins, 28, Cincinnati, OH;
George Zafereo, 52, Victoria, TX; and
Unidentified Male, 82, Portland, OR.

We cannot sit back and allow such senseless gun violence to continue. The deaths of these people are a reminder to all of us that we need to enact sensible gun legislation now.

CASSIE'S LAW

Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate the Senate on its unanimous passage of the Violence Against Women Act. In particular, I would like to commend the members of the conference committee for including language that establishes a legal definition of dating violence.

In domestic violence situations, victims are victims regardless of their age or legal relationship to the abuser. The seriousness of this issue was brought home by a tragic case in Idaho. In December 1999, a 17-year-old Soda Springs, Idaho, girl, Cassie Dehl, was killed in an accident involving her abusive boyfriend. Prior to her death, the numerous attempts by her mother to obtain legal protection for her daughter failed because Idaho's domestic violence laws did not apply to teenage dating relationships. Earlier this year, Idaho Governor Dirk Kempthorne and the Idaho State Legislature enacted legislation, named in Cassie's memory, which extended Idaho domestic violence laws to dating relationships. I am pleased that Federal law will now also protect teenagers involved in abusive dating relationships.

While the reauthorization of VAWA is an important step in protecting all victims of domestic violence, our work is not yet done. Under VAWA, dating violence has been included in four of the five major domestic violence grant programs. However, one major grant program was left behind. I am committed to working with my colleagues in the next Congress to expand dating violence to all domestic violence programs under VAWA.

I ask unanimous consent that the vote total be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

U.S. SENATE ROLL CALL VOTE
(106th Congress, 2d Session)

Vote Number: 269.

Vote Date: October 11, 2000.

Title: H.R. 3244 Conference Report.

Req. for Majority: 1/2.

Bill Number: H.R. 3244.

Result: Conference Report Agreed to.

VOTE SUMMARY

Yea: 95.

Nay: 0.

Present: 0.

No Vote: 5.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

IN RECOGNITION OF AMBASSADOR DAVID B. HERMELIN

• Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise today to acknowledge the achievements of an accomplished businessman, distinguished public servant and committed philanthropist from my home state of Michigan, Ambassador David B. Hermelin. On October 22 of this year, the ORT Hermelin College of Engineering will be dedicated in Netanya, Israel. This dedication is a fitting tribute for a man, who along with his wife Doreen, has committed himself to his family, nation and charitable endeavors throughout the world.

Through hard work and an unwavering commitment to the public good, David's work has made an indelible mark upon countless individuals. His keen intellect, business acumen and heart for others has led him to pursue a wide array of business and charitable efforts in the United States and abroad.

David has been deeply involved with the World ORT, having served as the President of American ORT. Founded in response to a famine in Russia in the late 1860s, ORT is a private, non-profit organization that addresses the educational and technical training needs of workers, providing them with the training and self-sufficiency needed to build a meaningful existence. To achieve this goal, ORT builds schools and develops a curriculum that provides students with vital technical skills. ORT has facilities in nearly 60 nations. This year, over 200,000 students are enrolled in ORT programs.

The mission of American ORT is to raise funding necessary to support the

efforts of World ORT and administer domestic ORT programs. During David's tenure as President of this organization, American ORT increased its involvement in the mission of World ORT, and strengthened its ties with the larger Jewish community. These strengthened ties were evidenced by the fact that the 1999 General Assembly of the United Jewish Communities of North America was the second consecutive General Assembly sponsored by ORT.

American ORT administers two post-secondary training institutes and one college in the United States. These three institutions serve 5,000 individuals annually, many from the former Soviet Union and Newly Independent States (NIS), by providing them with technical training, English language assistance and career development skills.

David has been involved in many other charitable endeavors as an administrator, contributor and fundraiser. He has served on the Board of Directors for many community and national organizations including the Meyer L. Prentis Comprehensive Cancer Center.

As a businessman, David has worked as a real estate developer, venture capitalist and manager of many interests. Currently, he is the co-owner of two of the largest entertainment facilities in the state of Michigan—the Palace of Auburn Hills, home of the NBA's Detroit Pistons, and the Pine Knob Entertainment Centers. In addition, he sits on the board of several companies including Arbor Drugs Inc., Arena Associates, Village Green Management Company and First America Bank Corporation—Detroit.

In December 1997, President Clinton recognized David's commitment to public service, and appointed him to serve as the U.S. Ambassador to Norway. So extraordinary was his service in this capacity that the Norwegian people awarded him the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit, which is equivalent to being knighted.

David Hermelin has been a community leader for over forty years. As a fellow native of Detroit, Michigan, I have known David for over half of a century. I am pleased to call him an inspiration, a peer and a friend. I am sure that my Senate colleagues will join me in offering my congratulations to David Hermelin for the dedication of the ORT Hermelin College of Engineering, and in wishing him well in the years ahead.●

TRIBUTE TO JOHN ROUSH

• Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to honor my good friend, the twentieth President of Centre College in Danville, Kentucky, John Roush.

I want to offer my heartfelt congratulations to John Roush, the students and faculty at Centre College, and the City of Danville, Kentucky for their successful bid to host the only

vice presidential debate of the 2000 election. Under the leadership of John Roush, the college and the community worked together to make the debate at Centre College a reality.

By all accounts, the debate in Danville was a success. Even though Centre College is the smallest higher-education institution to have ever hosted a presidential or vice presidential debate, they exceeded expectations and pulled-off a top-rate event. The town and college coordinated events throughout the day of the debate to build anticipation and provide opportunities for those who did not have tickets to participate in the occasion. An outdoor concert, open to the public, was held on Centre's campus and featured Maysville native and celebrity Nick Clooney, gospel singer Larnelle Harris, and the Owensboro Symphony Orchestra. Then, attendees were treated to a live, big-screen viewing of the vice presidential debate.

President John Roush's fingerprints were all over the events of the day; his creativity and ingenuity a benefit to everyone who participated. Whether you watched the debate from the screen on Centre's lawn, the seats of Centre's Norton Center for Fine Arts or on television in your home, the professionalism with which John led the extensive preparations for the debate were apparent.

Just talk to anyone at Centre College, in Danville, or in all of Kentucky for that matter—they will tell you that in the two years John has served as president at Centre, he has rallied students, faculty, and city residents with his passion for excellence. He has been described by his peers and co-workers as having an "infectious enthusiasm" and being "full of integrity." He has been characterized as "energetic" and "impressive." I know from my own personal experience with and observation of John that all of these descriptions are true. I am proud to call him a fellow Kentuckian and friend.

At this point, Mr. President, I would like to read into the RECORD an excerpt from an October 7, 2000, editorial by Washington Post writer David Von Drehle that ran in the Louisville Courier-Journal, which perfectly sums up the atmosphere in Danville, KY, on the day of the debate.

Centre College hosted the debate. This unlikely setting—far from the nearest airport, in a place without many four-lane roads, in fact—turned out to be one of the best ever. The whole day was a happy pageant of Norman Rockwell meets Alexis de Tocqueville.

Tired and jaded political junkies stepped from their cars and buses into an afternoon that was either the very end of summer or the very beginning of fall. Clear sky, warm sun, fresh breeze. Though the trees all appeared to be green, a few golden leaves began to drift toward the grass of the college common as evening approached.

On the common, bands played marches and choirs sang gospel hymns. Hours before the debate began, the gently sloping ground filled with grandparents on lawn chairs and moms and dads on blankets and children who twirled and ran and tumbled and plucked