

Zyla, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 13, 2001.

By Mr. GRASSLEY for the Committee on Finance.

Mark A. Weinberger, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

John M. Duncan, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 409. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the standards for compensation for Persian Gulf veterans suffering from certain undiagnosed illnesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CRAPO:

S. 410. A bill to amend the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 by expanding legal assistance for victims of violence grant program to include assistance for victims of dating violence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. KERRY, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. DODD, Mr. KOHL, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. REED, Mr. BIDEN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 411. A bill to designate a portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge as wilderness; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 412. A bill to provide for a temporary Federal district judgeship for the southern district of Indiana; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself and Mr. DODD):

S. 413. A bill to amend part F of title X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and refocus civic education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CLELAND (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. INOUE, and Mr. BREAU):

S. 414. A bill to amend the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Organization Act to establish a digital network technology program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 415. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to require that air carriers meet public convenience and necessity requirements by ensuring competitive access by commercial air carriers to major cities,

and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. DEWINE, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 416. A bill to amend the Consumer Product Safety Act to confirm the Consumer Product Safety Commission's jurisdiction over child safety devices for handguns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 417. A bill to amend section 203 of the National Housing Act to provide for 1 percent downpayments for FHA mortgage loans for teachers and public safety officers to buy homes within the jurisdictions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. INOUE:

S. 418. A bill to repeal the reduction in the deductible portion of expenses for business meals and entertainment; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself and Mr. CORZINE):

S. 419. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Abel and Mary Nicholson House, Elsinboro Township, Salem County, New Jersey, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. Res. 31. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry; from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. HELMS:

S. Res. 32. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. CRAIG:

S. Res. 33. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging; from the Special Committee on Aging; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire:

S. Res. 34. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works; from the Committee on Environment and Public Works; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. JEFFORDS:

S. Res. 35. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. Res. 36. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. Res. 37. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance; from the Committee on Finance; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. WARNER:

S. Res. 38. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services; from the Committee on Armed Services; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. MCCONNELL:

S. Res. 39. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration; from the Committee on Rules and Administration; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. Con. Res. 19. A concurrent resolution honoring the ultimate sacrifice made by 28 United States soldiers killed by an Iraqi missile attack on February 25, 1991, during Operation Desert Storm, and resolving to support appropriate and effective theater missile defense programs; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 29

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 29, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for 100 percent of the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals.

S. 38

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 38, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit former members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated as total to travel on military aircraft in the same manner and to the same extent as retired members of the Armed Forces are entitled to travel on such aircraft.

S. 39

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 39, a bill to provide a national medal for public safety officers who act with extraordinary valor above and beyond the call of duty, and for other purposes.

S. 41

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. THOMPSON) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 41, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the research credit and to increase the rates of the alternative incremental credit.

S. 131

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 131, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the annual determination of the rate of the basic benefit of active duty educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill, and for other purposes.

S. 149

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 149, a bill to provide authority to control exports, and for other purposes.

S. 161

At the request of Mr. WELLSTONE, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. 161, a bill to establish the Violence Against Women Office within the Department of Justice.

S. 168

At the request of Mr. BROWNBAC, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SMITH) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) were added as cosponsors of S. 168, a bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Kazakhstan.

S. 177

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) and the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) were added as cosponsors of S. 177, a bill to amend the provisions of title 19, United States Code, relating to the manner in which pay policies and schedules and fringe benefit programs for postmasters are established.

S. 220

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) were added as cosponsors of S. 220, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, and for other purposes.

S. 267

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 267, a bill to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921, to make it unlawful for any stockyard owner, market agency, or dealer to transfer or market nonambulatory livestock, and for other purposes.

S. 272

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 272, a bill to rescind fiscal year 2001 procurement funds for the V-22 Osprey aircraft program other than as necessary to maintain the production base and to require certain reports to Congress concerning that program.

S. 275

At the request of Mr. KYL, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 275, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the Federal estate and gift taxes and the tax on generation-skipping trans-

fers, to preserve a step up in basis of certain property acquired from a decedent, and for other purposes.

S. 281

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBAC), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) were added as cosponsors of S. 281, a bill to authorize the design and construction of a temporary education center at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

S. 295

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. 295, a bill to provide emergency relief to small businesses affected by significant increases in the prices of heating oil, natural gas, propane, and kerosene, and for other purposes.

S. 327

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 327, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide up-to-date school library media resources and well-trained, professionally certified school library media specialists for elementary schools and secondary schools, and for other purposes.

S. 332

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 332, a bill to provide for a study of anesthesia services furnished under the medicare program, and to expand arrangements under which certified registered nurse anesthetists may furnish such services.

S. 345

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 345, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to strike the limitation that permits interstate movement of live birds, for the purpose of fighting, to States in which animal fighting is lawful.

S. 350

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWN-

BACK), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 350, a bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to promote the cleanup and reuse of brownfields, to provide financial assistance for brownfields revitalization, to enhance State response programs, and for other purposes.

S. 351

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 351, a bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to reduce the quantity of mercury in the environment by limiting use of mercury fever thermometers and improving collection, recycling, and disposal of mercury, and for other purposes.

S. 388

At the request of Mr. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 388, a bill to protect the energy and security of the United States and decrease America's dependency on foreign oil sources to 50% by the year 2011 by enhancing the use of renewable energy resources conserving energy resources, improving energy efficiencies, and increasing domestic energy supplies; improve environmental quality by reducing emissions of air pollutants and greenhouse gases; mitigate the effect of increases in energy prices on the American consumer, including the poor and the elderly; and for other purposes.

S. 389

At the request of Mr. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 389, a bill to protect the energy and security of the United States and decrease America's dependency on foreign oil sources to 50% by the year 2011 by enhancing the use of renewable energy resources conserving energy resources, improving energy efficiencies, and increasing domestic energy supplies; improve environmental quality by reducing emissions of air pollutants and greenhouse gases; mitigate the effect of increases in energy prices on the American consumer, including the poor and the elderly; and for other purposes.

S. 393

At the request of Mr. FRIST, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 393, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage charitable contributions to public charities for use in medical research.

S. 397

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr.

WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 397, a bill to amend the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 to authorize additional rounds of base closures and realignments under the Act in 2003 and 2005, to modify certain authorities relating to closures and realignments under that Act.

S. CON. RES. 14

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 14, a concurrent resolution recognizing the social problem of child abuse and neglect, and supporting efforts to enhance public awareness of it.

S. CON. RES. 17

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 17, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that there should continue to be parity between the adjustments in the compensation of members of the uniformed services and the adjustments in the compensation of civilian employees of the United States.

S. RES. 20

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 20, a resolution designating March 25, 2001, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy."

S. RES. 25

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE), and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 25, a resolution designating the week beginning March 18, 2001 as "National Safe Place Week."

S. RES. 29

At the request of Mr. HUTCHINSON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 29, a resolution honoring Dale Earnhardt and expressing condolences of the United States Senate to his family on his death.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 409. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the standards for compensation of Persian Gulf veterans suffering from certain undiagnosed illnesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. President, I am pleased to be joined by Senator DURBIN of Illinois to offer legislation on a very important issue for those men and women who served during the Persian Gulf War. A companion bill

was introduced in the House by Congressman MANZULLO from Illinois. This bill will amend the Persian Gulf War Veterans' Benefits Act, title I of Public Law 103-446. That law provides for the payment of compensation to Persian Gulf veterans suffering from a chronic disability resulting from an undiagnosed illness or a combination of undiagnosed illnesses. This bill will extend the presumptive period from December 31, 2001 to "from December 31, 2011 or such a later date as the Secretary may prescribe by regulation." Additionally, the bill further expands the definition of an undiagnosed illness and gives a comprehensive list of signs or symptoms that may be manifestation of an undiagnosed illness such as fatigue, muscle pain, joint pain, gastrointestinal signs and symptoms to name a few. Today, 10 years after the end of the Persian Gulf War many of our veterans are suffering from undiagnosed illnesses.

President Bush in a speech titled "Our Debt of Honor" on November 10, 1999, Veterans Day, said of our Persian Gulf War Veterans, "They should not have to go to elaborate lengths to prove that they are ill, just because their malady has yet to be fully explained. A 1994 law was passed to grant them the presumption of disability. Yet even now they are met with skeptical looks and paper-shuffling excuses for withholding coverage. If I have anything to say about it, all that is going to end. In the military, when you are called to account for a mistake, you are expected to give one simple answer: 'No excuse, sir.' And that should be the attitude of any government official who fails to make good on our public responsibilities to veterans. There are no excuses for it."

Of the nearly 700,000 U.S. military personnel who served in the Persian Gulf in 1990 and 1991, more than 100,000 have complained of an array of symptoms that have become known as the Gulf War Syndrome. These symptoms include chronic fatigue, muscle and joint pain, memory loss, sleep disorders, depression and concentration problems among others. Approximately 9,000 of those were denied claims under the 1994 law.

There are some who question whether or not such a syndrome actually exists and many continue to theorize that these symptoms are largely psychological and brought about by post-traumatic stress. I believe the evidence is increasingly clear that this is not stress related. We have an obligation to ensure Gulf War veterans are properly diagnosed and treated effectively and compensated for any service connected disabilities.

What we do know is that our veterans were exposed to a host of pharmaceuticals, chemicals and environmental toxins. Indeed those who served were apparently exposed to some veritable witch's brew of known and potential hazards to health including blowing dust and sand particles, smoke

from oil well fires, petroleum fuels and their combustion products, possible exposure to chemical warfare nerve agents and biological warfare agents, pyridostigmine bromide pills to protect against organophosphate nerve agents, insecticides, vaccinations, infectious diseases, depleted uranium, and psychological and physiological stress.

This bill will be a step in the right direction and is the way to help repay our debt to these veterans. Not only is it the right thing and fair thing to do, but during these times of increased deployments and personnel shortages, it is in our national interest to continue to show our dedicated service members that we appreciate their sacrifice and commitment.

I commend the Senator from Illinois for his support on this issue and urge other Senators to join us in this effort.

By Mr. CRAPO:

S. 410. A bill to amend the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 by expanding legal assistance for victims of violence grant program to include assistance for victims of dating violence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation that is an important step in continuing to recognize the victims of dating violence. The bill I am introducing today would allow victims of dating violence to qualify for federal legal assistance grants authorized under the Violence Against Women Act.

Dating violence is a predominately little-known and misunderstood aspect of domestic violence. Historically, domestic violence laws have only been applied in cases where the victims have been married or cohabitating with the abuser, or where the couple shares a child together. Unfortunately, this criteria ignores the equally dangerous violence that can occur in dating relationships. Victims of domestic violence are victims regardless of their relationship to the abuser. These victims face the same trauma and the same manipulation as every other domestic violence victim. As Congress focuses its attention on providing necessary assistance to the states for prevention and treatment of domestic violence, we must not allow victims of dating violence to be left behind.

The lack of recourse for victims of dating violence was brought to my attention through a tragic incident in my home State of Idaho. In December 1999, Cassie Dehl, a seventeen-year-old girl from Soda Springs, Idaho, was killed in an accident involving her abusive boyfriend. Despite documentation of years of vicious and life-threatening abuse, Cassie's parents were unable to obtain legal protection for their daughter because neither Federal or Idaho domestic violence law applied to teenage dating relationships. Although the abuse was evident and the need for assistance was clear, no one was able to offer Cassie the help that was needed to prevent this senseless act.