

BIDEN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 645. A bill to require individuals who lobby the President on pardon issues to register under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 and to require the President to report any gifts, pledges, or commitments of a gift to a trust fund established for purposes of establishing a Presidential library for that President after his or her term has expired; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 646. A bill to reform the Army Corps of Engineers; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Mr. CHAFEE):

S. 647. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to enable Congress to better monitor and evaluate the success of the international military education and training program in instilling democratic values and respect for internationally recognized human rights in foreign military and civilian personnel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 648. A bill to provide signing and mastery bonuses and mentoring programs for math and science teachers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 649. A bill to modify provisions relating to the Gun-Free Schools Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 650. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to prohibit the exportation of Alaska North Slope crude oil; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. JEFFORDS, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 651. A bill to provide for the establishment of an assistance program for health insurance consumers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. 652. A bill to promote the development of affordable, quality rental housing in rural areas for low-income households; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. MILLER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 653. A bill to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to provide grants to States to encourage media campaigns to promote responsible fatherhood skills, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TORRICELLI:

S. 654. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restore, increase, and make permanent the exclusion from gross income for amounts received under qualified group legal services plans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. INOUE):

S. 655. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from income taxation income derived from natural resources-related activity by a member of an Indian tribe directly or through a qualified Indian entity; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. BROWNBACK, and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. 656. A bill to provide for the adjustment of status of certain nationals of Liberia to that of lawful permanent residence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 657. A bill to authorize funding for the National 4-H Program Centennial Initiative; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 658. A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to authorize units of the National Guard to conduct small arms competitions and athletic competitions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. HELMS, Mr. DAYTON, and Mr. HUTCHINSON):

S. 659. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to adjust the labor costs relating to items and services furnished in a geographically reclassified hospital for which reimbursement under the medicare program is provided on a prospective basis; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. INOUE):

S. 660. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the issuance of tax-exempt bonds by Indian tribal governments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THOMPSON (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. NICKLES, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 661. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 4.3-cent motor fuel exercise taxes on railroads and inland waterway transportation which remain in the general fund of the Treasury; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. BYRD, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. VOINOVICH):

S. 662. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish headstones or markers for marked graves of, or to other wise commemorate, certain individuals; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. WELLSTONE (for himself and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 663. A bill to authorize the President to present a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Eugene McCarthy in recognition of his service to the Nation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GREGG (for himself and Mr. KOHL):

S. 664. A bill to provide jurisdictional standards for the imposition of State and local tax obligations on interstate commerce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY:

S. Res. 65. A resolution honoring Neil L. Rudenstine, President of Harvard University; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 77

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 77, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 121

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 121, a bill to establish an Office of Children's Services within the Department of Justice to coordinate and implement Government actions involving unaccompanied alien children, and for other purposes.

S. 128

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 128, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require periodic cost of living adjustments to the maximum amount of deposit insurance available under that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 131

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor 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. 145

At the request of Mr. THURMOND, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 145, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase to parity with other surviving spouses the basic annuity that is provided under the uniformed services Survivor Benefit Plan for surviving spouses who are at least 62 years of age, and for other purposes.

S. 152

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 152, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the 60-month limit and increase the income limitation on the student loan interest deduction.

S. 170

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 170, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive both military retired pay by reason of their years of military service and disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability.

S. 177

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 177, a bill to amend the provisions of title 39, United States Code, relating to the manner in which pay policies and schedules and fringe benefit programs for postmasters are established.

S. 203

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 203, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an above-the-line deduction for qualified professional development expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers and to allow a credit against income tax to elementary and secondary school teachers who provide classroom materials.

S. 213

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 213, a bill to amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability studies of 4 national historic trails and provide for possible additions to such trails.

S. 234

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 234, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on telephone and other communications services.

S. 250

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 250, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit to holders of qualified bonds issued by Amtrak, and for other purposes.

S. 255

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 255, a bill to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for mastectomies and lymph node dissection for the treatment of breast cancer and coverage for secondary consultations.

S. 289

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 289, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional tax incentives for education.

S. 313

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 313, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for Farm, Fishing, and Ranch Risk Management Accounts, and for other purposes.

S. 338

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 338, a bill to protect amateur athletics and combat illegal sports gambling.

S. 349

At the request of Mr. HUTCHINSON, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 349, a bill to provide funds to the National Center for Rural Law Enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 403

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 403, a bill to improve the National Writing Project.

S. 410

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S. 413

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S. 414

At the request of Mr. CLELAND, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S. 530

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 530, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a 5-year extension of the credit for producing electricity from wind.

S. 540

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the names of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) were added as cosponsors of S. 540, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow as a deduction in determining adjusted gross income the deduction for expenses in connection with services as a member of a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States, to allow employers a credit against income tax with respect to employees who participate in the military reserve components, and to allow a comparable credit for participating reserve component self-employed individuals, and for other purposes.

S. 567

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 567, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide capital gain treatment under section 631(b) of such Code for outright sales of timber by landowners.

S. 599

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 599, a bill to amend the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 to establish permanent trade negotiating and trade agreement implementing authority.

S. CON. RES. 8

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 8, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding subsidized Canadian lumber exports.

S. CON. RES. 11

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 11, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress to fully use the powers of the Federal Government to enhance the science base required to more fully develop the field of health promotion and disease prevention, and to explore how strategies can be developed to integrate lifestyle improvement programs into national policy, our health care system, schools, workplaces, families and communities.

S. RES. 41

At the request of Mr. SHELBY, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 41, a resolution designating April 4, 2001, as "National Murder Awareness Day."

S. RES. 44

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 44, a resolution designating each of March 2001, and March 2002, as "Arts Education Month."

S. RES. 63

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 63, a resolution commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers.

STATEMENTS OF INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HUTCHINSON:

A bill to authorize the establishment of a suboffice of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Fort Smith, Arkansas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that a copy of the "Fort Smith INS Suboffice Act" be printed in the RECORD.

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

S. 644

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Fort Smith INS Suboffice Act".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) The Immigration and Naturalization Service office in Fort Smith, Arkansas, is an office within the jurisdiction of the district office in New Orleans, Louisiana.

(2) During the past 10 years, the foreign national population has grown substantially in the jurisdictional area of the Fort Smith office.

(3) According to the 2000 census, Arkansas' Hispanic population grew by 337 percent over the Hispanic population in the 1990 census. This rate of growth is believed to be the fastest in the United States.

(4) Hispanics now comprise 3.2 percent of Arkansas' population and 5.7 percent of the Third Congressional District of Arkansas' population.

(5) This dramatic increase in immigration will continue as the growing industries and excellent quality of life of Northwest Arkansas are strong attractions.

(6) Interstates 540 and 40 intersect in Fort Smith and air transportation is readily available there.

(7) In the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, Congress directed the Immigration and Naturalization Service to review the staffing needs of the Fort Smith office.

(8) A preliminary review shows that the Fort Smith office is indeed understaffed. The office currently needs an additional adjudication officer, an additional information officer, a part-time "jack-of-all-trades" employee, 2 full-time clerks, and 1 additional enforcement officer.

(9) A suboffice designation would enable the Fort Smith, Arkansas, office to obtain additional staff as well as an Officer-in-Charge who would have the authority to sign documents and take actions related to cases which now must be forwarded to the New Orleans District Office for approval.

(10) The additional staff, authority, and autonomy that the suboffice designation would provide the Fort Smith office would result in a reduction in backlogs and waiting periods, a significant improvement in customer service, and a significant improvement in the enforcement of the immigration laws of the United States.

(11) The designation of the Fort Smith office as a suboffice would show that the Immigration and Naturalization Service is—

(A) committed to facilitating the legal immigration process for those persons acting in good faith; and

(B) likewise committed to enforcing the immigration laws of the United States.

SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year to establish and operate an Immigration and Naturalization Service suboffice in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. KOHL, Mr. BIDEN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 645. A bill to require individuals who lobby the President on pardon issues to register under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 and to require the President to report any gifts, pledges, or commitments of a gift to a trust fund established for purposes of establishing a Presidential library for that President after his or her term has expired; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, this legislation follows consideration by the Judiciary Committee of the pardons issued by former President Clinton on January 20, the last day of his administration, and seeks to reform and correct a couple of major gaps which are present in existing procedures in two respects; stated succinctly, to require that lobbyists, such as Jack Quinn, be required to register and that contributions to Presidential libraries be subject to public disclosure.

I offer this legislation on behalf of myself, Senators LEAHY, HATCH, KOHL, BIDEN, FEINSTEIN, SESSIONS, GRASSLEY, and CLINTON.

The public record is filled with the details as to what happened with the notorious pardon of Marc Rich, who was a fugitive for some 17 years, where a pardon was granted at the very last minute without the pardon attorney at the Department of Justice being informed of the situation until 1 a.m. on January 20.

When the pardon attorney called the White House to try to get some information about Marc Rich and Pincus Green, he was told that they were "traveling abroad."

When the pardon attorney testified at the Judiciary Committee hearing under my questioning, and testified that they were "traveling abroad," he about broke up the hearing room, for that characterization to be made of someone who had been a fugitive for 17 years.

In granting the pardon, former President Clinton notified Ms. Beth Dozoretz, who was very active in lobbying for the pardon, at 11 o'clock on January 19, some 2 hours in advance of telling the pardon attorney, and there had been extensive lobbying by Ms. Denise Rich, the former wife of Marc Rich.

The legislation we are introducing will require that someone such as Jack Quinn be registered as a lobbyist.

Without going into the details—and they are set forth in the Judiciary Committee hearing—there were major efforts made to keep this activity under the so-called radar screen so that nobody would know about it.

This legislation would require someone in Jack Quinn's position to register and be known publicly, and then with the kind of public pressure which would be brought, I think it highly likely that a pardon such as that granted to Marc Rich would never have been granted.

The second provision deals with contributions for pledges or commitments to raise money for Presidential libraries. This legislation provides that there should be public disclosure of those contributions, pledges, or commitments to raise money, where those pledges or commitments are made during the term of office.

A pledge to contribute money to a Presidential library has a great many of the same characteristics as a campaign contribution. The question is raised about whether or not there is favoritism or influence sought from that kind of a monetary contribution. By having the public disclosure, then it would be within public view.

That is the essence of the legislation.

Mr. President, the Senate Judiciary Committee inquiry into the pardons and commutations issued by former President Clinton on January 20, 2001, has disclosed major gaps which can be addressed through legislation. Today I am introducing a bill to address two of these subjects.

My bill requires individuals who urge officials in the White House to grant clemency to register as lobbyists. There is currently no requirement for them to do so. This bill will also require the disclosure of donations or pledges of \$5,000 or more, or commitments to raise \$5,000 or more for presidential libraries while the President is still in office. Such donations, pledges or commitments are not currently subject to disclosure, creating a situation where individuals could make large contributions to the President's library foundation in the hope of influencing favorable action by the President.

The Senate investigation of the pardons matter has been forward-looking from the beginning. The objective of the inquiry was to get the facts out in the open. Once the facts were known, the question was whether legislative remedies were appropriate.

This legislation does not deal with the President's power to grant executive clemency since any changes in that power would require a constitutional amendment.

Former President Jimmy Carter called the pardon of fugitive commodities trader Marc Rich "disgraceful," and Democratic Representative HENRY WAXMAN said that "the failures in the pardon process should embarrass every Democrat and every American." The outrage over former President Clinton's last minute pardons is bipartisan, and I expect there will be bipartisan support for this legislation to fix the problems disclosed by the Senate Judiciary Committee inquiry.

The pardons of Marc Rich and Pincus Green have sparked the most public