

bonds issues to acquire renewable resources on land subject to conservation easement; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 823. A bill to assure access under group health plans and health insurance coverage to covered emergency medical services; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 824. A bill to establish an informatics grant program for hospitals and skilled nursing facilities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID:

S. 825. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to allow workers who attain age 65 after 191 and before 1992 to choose either lump sum payments over four years totaling \$5,000 or an improved benefit computation formula under a new 10-year rule governing the transition to the changes in benefit computation rules enacted in the Social Security Amendments of 1977, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. LINCOLN:

S. 826. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to eliminate cost-sharing under the medicare program for bone mass measurements; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. REED):

S. 827. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to guarantee comprehensive health care coverage for all children born after 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. DODD, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARPER, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. AKAKA, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 828. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for certain energy-efficient property; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. LOTT, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. REID, Mr. DODD, Mr. MILLER, and Mr. EDWARDS):

S. 829. A bill to establish the National Museum of African American History and Culture within the Smithsonian Institution; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. CHAFEE (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. TORRICELLI, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CORZINE, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 830. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to make grants for the development and operation of research centers regarding environmental factors that may be related to the etiology of breast cancer; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SHELBY:

S. 831. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a 100 percent deduction for business meals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself and Mr. INOUYE):

S. 832. A bill to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. DODD, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 833. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the child tax credit; 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. HELMS (for himself, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. Res. 81. A resolution commanding the members of the United States mission in the People's Republic of China for their persistence, devotion to duty, sacrifice, and success in obtaining the safe repatriation to the United States of the crew of the Navy EP-3E ARIES II aircraft who had been detained in China; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. Res. 82. A resolution to authorize the production of records by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Governmental Affairs and representation by the Senate Legal Counsel; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BOND, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. JEFFORDS, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. Con.Res. 36. A concurrent resolution honoring the National Science Foundation for 50 years of service to the Nation; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 37

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 37, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory.

S. 127

At the request of Mr. McCAIN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 127, a bill to give American companies, American workers, and American ports the opportunity to compete in the United States cruise market.

S. 148

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 148, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the adoption credit, and for other purposes.

S. 170

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor 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. 225

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 225, a bill to amend the Internal Rev-

enue Code of 1986 to provide incentives to public elementary and secondary school teachers by providing a tax credit for teaching expenses, professional development expenses, and student education loans.

S. 275

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor 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 transfers, to preserve a step up in basis of certain property acquired from a decedent, and for other purposes.

S. 283

At the request of Mr. McCAIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 283, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage.

S. 409

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUYE) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S. 503

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 503, a bill to amend the Safe Water Act to provide grants to small public drinking water system.

S. 546

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 546, a bill to expand the applicability of the increase in the automatic maximum amount of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance scheduled to take effect on April 1, 2001, to the deaths of certain members of the uniformed services who die before that date.

S. 549

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 549, a bill to ensure the availability of spectrum to amateur radio operators.

S. 571

At the request of Mr. THURMOND, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 571, a bill to provide for the location of the National Museum of the United States Army.

S. 592

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 592, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to create Individual Development Accounts, and for other purposes.

S. 606

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. CAMPBELL) were added as a cosponsors of S. 606, a bill to provide additional authority to the Office of Ombudsman of the Environmental Protection Agency.

S. 613

At the request of Mr. FITZGERALD, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 613, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to enhance the use of the small ethanol producer credit.

S. 630

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 630, a bill to prohibit senders of unsolicited commercial electronic mail from disguising the source of their messages, to give consumers the choice to cease receiving a sender's unsolicited commercial electronic mail messages, and for other purposes.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to modernize the financing of the railroad retirement system and to provide enhanced benefits to employees and beneficiaries.

S. 705

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 705, a bill to establish a health information technology grant program for hospitals and for skilled nursing facilities and home health agencies, and to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish and implement a methodology under the medicare program for providing hospitals with reimbursement for costs incurred by such hospitals with respect to information technology systems.

S. 778

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 778, a bill to expand the class of beneficiaries who may apply for adjustment of status under section 245(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act by extending the deadline for classification petition and labor certification filings.

S. 783

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 783, a bill to enhance the rights of victims in the criminal justice system, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 68

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 68, a resolution des-

ignating September 6, 2001 as "National Crazy Horse Day."

S. RES. 74

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 74, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding consideration of legislation providing medicare beneficiaries with outpatient prescription drug coverage.

S. RES. 75

At the request of Mr. HUTCHINSON, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND), the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. CARNAHAN), the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE), and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 75, a resolution designating the week beginning May 13, 2001, as "National Biotechnology Week."

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 819. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require that group and individual health insurance coverage and group health plans provide coverage for qualified individuals for bone mass measurement (bone density testing) to prevent fractures associated with osteoporosis; to the Committee of Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. TORRICELLI. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce the Early Detection and Prevention of Osteoporosis and Related Bone Diseases Act of 2001 along with my colleague from Maine, Senator SNOWE.

Osteoporosis and other related bone diseases pose a major public health threat. More than 28 million Americans, 80 percent of whom are women, suffer from, or are at risk for, osteoporosis. Between three and four million Americans suffer from related bone diseases like Paget's disease or osteogenesis imperfecta. Today, in the United States, 10 million individuals already have osteoporosis and 18 million more have low bone mass, placing them at increased risk. Osteoporosis is preventable through the use of new technology, yet the majority of Americans with the disease remain undiagnosed and untreated.

Osteoporosis is often called the "silent disease" because bone loss occurs without symptoms. Often people do not know they have osteoporosis until their bones become so weak that a sudden bump or fall causes a fracture or a vertebrae to collapse. Every year, there are 1.5 million bone fractures caused by osteoporosis. Half of all women, and one-eighth of all men, age 50 or older, will suffer a bone fracture due to osteoporosis.

The consequences of osteoporosis are often unrecognized. In New Jersey, in-

dividuals hospitalized with osteoporosis fractures average 9.3 days in the hospital for hip fracture and 71 days for vertebral fracture. National statistics show that 10 to 20 percent of people with hip fracture either die within six months, cannot walk without aid or require long-term care. Education is needed to encourage individuals and their providers to diagnose osteoporosis early and treat the disease swiftly, preventing costly and debilitating fractures.

Osteoporosis is a progressive condition that has no known cure; thus, prevention and treatment are key. The Early Detection and Prevention of Osteoporosis and Related Bone Diseases Act of 2001 seeks to combat osteoporosis, and related bone diseases like Paget's disease by requiring private health plans to cover bone mass measurement tests for qualified individuals who are at risk for developing osteoporosis.

Bone mass measurement is the only reliable method of detecting osteoporosis in its early stages. The test is non-invasive and painless and is predictive of future fractures as high cholesterol or high blood pressure is of heart disease or stroke. This legislation is similar to a provision in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 that requires Medicare coverage of bone mass measurements.

Medical experts agree that osteoporosis is preventable. Thus, if the toll of osteoporosis and other related bones diseases are to be reduced, the commitment to prevention and treatment must be significantly increased.

The bill is supported by the National Osteoporosis Foundation, American Medical Women's Association, American Society for Bone & Mineral Research, Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation, National Association of Orthopedic Nurses, American Physical Therapy Association and the Health Promotion Institute.

I ask unanimous consent the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

S. 819

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; FINDINGS.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the "Early Detection and Prevention of Osteoporosis and Related Bone Diseases Act of 2001".

(b) **FINDINGS.**—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) NATURE OF OSTEOPOROSIS.—

(A) Osteoporosis is a disease characterized by low bone mass and structural deterioration of bone tissue leading to bone fragility and increased susceptibility to fractures of the hip, spine, and wrist.

(B) Osteoporosis has no symptoms and typically remains undiagnosed until a fracture occurs.

(C) Once a fracture occurs, the condition has usually advanced to the stage where the likelihood is high that another fracture will occur.