

a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Bell Helicopters Textron Canada Model 430 Helicopters” (RIN2120-AA64)(2001-0319) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3009. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 767 Series Airplanes” (RIN2120-AA64)(2001-0314) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3010. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Lockheed Model L-1011 Series Airplanes; request for comments” (RIN2120-AA64)(2001-0315) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3011. A communication from the Legal Technician of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Occupant Protection Incentive Grants” (RIN2127-AH40) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3012. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Protection of Voluntarily Submitted Information” (RIN2120-AG36) received on July 16, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HOLLINGS, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1215: An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 107-42).

By Ms. MIKULSKI, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1216: An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 107-43).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY for the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

*Hector V. Barreto, Jr., of California, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER for the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

*Gordon H. Mansfield, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Congressional Affairs).

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee’s 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 Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1210. A bill to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself and Mr. SMITH of Oregon):

S. 1211. A bill to reauthorize and revise the Renewable Energy Production Incentive program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 1212. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit against tax for qualified energy management devices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 1213. A bill to authorize a short-term program of grants to certain electric utilities to be passed through, in the form of credits toward electric bills, to consumers that reduce electric energy consumption and to establish an Electric Energy Conservation Fund to provide loans to utilities and non-profit organizations to fund energy productivity projects; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 1214. A bill to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to establish a program to ensure greater security for United States seaports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HOLLINGS:

S. 1215. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. MIKULSKI:

S. 1216. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. DEWINE, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. EDWARDS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1217. A bill to provide for the acquisition, construction, and improvement of child care facilities or equipment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 312

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) were added as cosponsors of S. 312, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for farmers and fishermen, and for other purposes.

S. 409

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) 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. 761

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 761, a bill to provide loans for the improvement of telecommunications services on Indian reservations.

S. 775

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 775, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permit expansion of medical residency training programs in geriatric medicine and to provide for reimbursement of care coordination and assessment services provided under the medicare program.

S. 839

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 839, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the amount of payment for inpatient hospital services under the medicare program and to freeze the reduction in payments to hospitals for indirect costs of medical education.

S. 1042

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1042, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve benefits for Filipino veterans of World War II, and for other purposes.

S. 1048

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1048, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide relief for payment of asbestos-related claims.

S. 1082

At the request of Mr. TORRICELLI, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1082, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the expensing of environmental remediation costs.

S. 1116

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1116, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide increased foreign assistance for tuberculosis prevention, treatment, and control.

S. 1134

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1134, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the rules

applicable to qualified small business stock.

S. 1140

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON), and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1140, a bill to amend chapter 1 of title 9, United States Code, to provide for greater fairness in the arbitration process relating to motor vehicle franchise contracts.

S.J. RES. 18

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 18, a joint resolution memorializing fallen firefighters by lowering the United States flag to half-staff on the day of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1210. A bill to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, I am pleased to be joined by Senators INOUE, DASCHLE, JOHNSON, and BURNS in introducing a bill that reauthorizes the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act, NAHASDA, of 1996, P.L. 104-330. As many of my colleagues know, NAHASDA promotes tribal self-determination and self-sufficiency as it builds upon the government-to-government relationship that exists between Indian tribes and the Federal Government.

NAHASDA became effective on October 1, 1997 and provides a single, flexible block grant for tribes or tribally-designated housing entities, TDHE, to administer Federal housing assistance. Under this block grant system, NAHASDA empowers tribes to determine local needs and authorizes tribal decision making when it comes to Indian housing policy.

Before NAHASDA, the Federal Government dictated the planning, financing and building of Indian housing. Since NAHASDA's enactment, tribes are in the "driver's seat," and have the right to make certain decisions with regard to resource allocation; and also have the responsibility to determine the needs of their members and to make every effort to satisfy those needs.

In the past five years, NAHASDA has assisted tribes in making great strides in the quality and quantity of housing provided to Indian and Alaska Native communities. In fact, HUD estimates that over 25,000 new units of housing have been placed in Indian and Alaska

Native communities under NAHASDA. This number is 10 times the maximum annual number of units provided for Indian communities under the previous Indian housing program.

Even with all the success of NAHASDA, Indian communities continue to live in the worst housing conditions in the United States. In fact, Indian housing is often and justifiably compared to the conditions present in Third World countries. Some of the startling statistics that characterize housing in Indian communities show that: 1 out of every 5 Indian homes lacks complete plumbing; 40 percent of homes on Indian lands are overcrowded and have serious physical deficiencies; and 69 percent of homes on Indian lands are severely overcrowded with up to 4 or 5 families living in the same two bedroom house.

These statistics illustrate that there is still much work to be done. NAHASDA has been a good first step in improving living conditions in Indian and Alaska Native communities, however there is still a tremendous need for adequate housing in these communities.

In the first few years of NAHASDA implementation, some bumps in the road were experienced. To provide a better transition from the old HUD dominated regime to the new policies of NAHASDA, I introduced a bill to provide technical amendments to strengthen and clarify NAHASDA. These technical amendments were necessary to ensure the proper implementation and enforcement of NAHASDA. With the recent enactment of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act Amendments of 1999, P.L. 106-568, NAHASDA is better suited to meet its goals and responsibilities.

The bill I am introducing today will extend NAHASDA for an additional five years. With the groundwork now laid, both Indian tribes and HUD should be able to provide improved housing assistance to Indian and Alaska Native communities.

Moreover, the extension of NAHASDA will encourage greater utilization of NAHASDA programs including its Title VI Loan Guarantee program, designed to aid tribes in leveraging federal funds in partnership with the private sector.

As Chairman of the Committee on Indian Affairs, I am committed to ensuring that NAHASDA is implemented in a fair, efficient and productive manner. It is my hope that the enactment of certain technical amendments in P.L. 106-568, and the reauthorization of NAHASDA will ensure improved housing assistance to all Indian and Alaska Native communities for years to come.

I ask unanimous consent that 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. 1210

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 "Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2001".

SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 1996.

(a) BLOCK GRANTS.—Section 108 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4117) is amended by striking "1999, 2000, and 2001" and inserting "through 2006".

(b) FEDERAL GUARANTEES.—Subsections (a) and (b) of section 605 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4195) are each amended by striking "1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001" and inserting "through 2006".

(c) TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—Section 703 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4212) is amended by striking "1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001" and inserting "through 2006".

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

S. 1214. A bill to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to establish a program to ensure greater security for United States seaports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce the Port and Maritime Security Act of 2001. This legislation is long overdue. It is needed to facilitate future technological and advances and increases in international trade, and ensure that we have the sort of security control necessary to ensure that our borders are protected from drug smuggling, illegal aliens, trade fraud, threats of terrorism as well as potential threats to our ability to mobilize U.S. military force. I introduced similar legislation in the last Congress, but time did not allow us to proceed any further with the legislative process. However, this is just too important an issue to let it go by, and I intend to work with Senator GRAHAM, and others to try and craft a policy to help protect our maritime borders.

The Department of Transportation recently conducted an evaluation of our marine transportation needs for the 21st Century. In September 1999, then Transportation Secretary Slater issued a preliminary report of the Marine Transportation System, (MTS) Task Force—An Assessment of the U.S. Marine Transportation System. The report reflected a highly collaborative effort among public sector agencies, private sector organizations and other stakeholders in the MTS.

The report indicates that the United States has more than 1,000 channels and 25,000 miles of inland, intracoastal, and coastal waterways in the United States which serve over 300 ports, with more than 3,700 terminals that handle passenger and cargo movements. These waterways and ports link to 152,000 miles of railways, 460,000 miles of underground pipelines and 45,000 miles of