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Mr. PITTS. Mr. Speaker, Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah has made a lot of headlines lately promoting his own plan for peace between Israel and the Palestinians. But if Saudi Arabia really wants to help fight terrorism and foster peace in the Middle East, they should take a long look at what is going on in their own country.

The Saudi Government not only permits, but also promotes, radical clerics who teach violence and hatred against Jewish people and the United States. Recently, a prominent Saudi Government cleric held a 2-day telethon that raised over \$100 million for the families of Palestinian homicide bombers. The Washington Times reported last week that the Saudi Government itself paid millions of dollars to the families of homicide bombers and to terrorist groups like Hamas. USA Today reported in 1999 that Saudi businessmen had transferred billions of dollars to bank accounts linked to Osama bin Laden. There needs to be an investigation into where all of this money is coming from.

Mr. Speaker, we should welcome Saudi Arabia's peaceful rhetoric, but actions speak louder than words. Saudi Arabia should be careful about lecturing about peace until her own hands are clean.

SOCIAL SECURITY

(Ms. SANCHEZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SANCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about Social Security. Since the Social Security Act became law in 1935, it has reduced poverty among our seniors and allowed generations of retirees to live with dignity and with independence. So could there be a better reason not to spend Social Security on anything other than Social Security?

Well, my Republican colleagues have produced a budget that spends hundreds of billions of dollars from the Social Security fund on other programs. Democrats want to strengthen and to preserve Social Security. American families work hard and they pay into that system, and they should be able to count on Social Security when they retire.

That is why privatization is clearly the wrong approach. It forces benefit cuts, it increases the risk, and it removes the guarantee that Social Security will be there when we need it, when we retire.

Do not be fooled. Democrats believe that working families have earned a secure retirement. We want to strengthen and protect Social Security, not spend it on other programs or on tax cuts to the wealthiest.

CONDEMNING TERRORIST ACT IN KASHMIR

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to condemn the recent terrorist attack in Kashmir that killed 30 innocent civilians, including two dozen women and children, and which injured nearly 50 more. This terrorist attack is yet another aimed at civilians, specifically Hindus, in Kashmir. Just last month, the suicide squad attacked and killed innocent worshipers at one of the largest Hindu temples in Kashmir.

Innocent Hindus, Sikhs, and Muslims have been targeted by terrorists in Kashmir. An editorial in yesterday's Washington Post entitled "The General's Broken Promise" states that Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf has not done enough to rein in these terrorists who attack Kashmiri civilians. While President Musharraf has taken steps to assist the American war on terrorism, he must do more to stop these terrorist attacks from occurring in Kashmir and in India.

Once Pakistan moves away from the path of supporting terrorism, a real peace initiative can begin between India and Pakistan. After more than 50 years of hostility, it is time for India and Pakistan to live in peace as neighbors. This can only begin after Pakistan stops supporting terrorism in India.

PASS THE CORPORATE PATRIOT ENFORCEMENT ACT

(Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend remarks.)

Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, today on the House floor we should be considering much-needed marriage penalty relief. However, yesterday the Republican leadership withdrew consideration of the Marriage Penalty Tax Relief Act in order to protect financial traitors. Democrats only wanted to pay for this tax relief by implementing the provisions of H.R. 3884, the Corporate Patriot Enforcement Act, a bill authored by myself and the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. MALONEY). Fearing that this House would vote overwhelmingly to stop the exodus of American corporations to tax havens, the leadership dropped the Marriage Penalty Tax Relief Act altogether.

While House leaders procrastinate, our constituents around the country want Congress to act. Last week commonsense folks out in Peoria at the Journal Star wrote, "Americans should be outraged, and so should Congress, which should move quickly to pass pending legislation outlawing the dodge." I guess the message was not heard here yesterday in this House.

As Congress does nothing, the exodus of two more corporations who voted this week to reincorporate in tax havens at the expense of honest corporations and hard-working Americans continues. Stop the delay, and close the floodgate to these corporate expatriates by passing the Neal-Maloney Corporate Patriot Enforcement Act.

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2002 WELFARE REFORM REAUTHORIZATION

(Mr. ROYCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROYCE. Mr. Speaker, prior to 1996 Deborah from California was a single mother caring for her two daughters, a disabled son and a niece. She had no high school diploma. She had no prior work experience. But in 1996 we passed a Republican welfare reform bill which enabled people like Deborah to get off of welfare and into work. The new support services and the new training programs enabled her to become a certified nurse at a hospital close to her home, and that enabled her to take care of her children.

Americans on welfare can now live better lives because of the passage of that bill. There have been 3 million children that have been listed out of poverty since 1996. Welfare caseloads have declined by 9 million and employment of single mothers on welfare rose by 40 percent. We have taken the first step in getting people off of welfare. This year we need to take the second step by decreasing welfare caseloads by promoting work and healthy marriages, by improving child well-being and quality of life and by strengthening families.

SOCIAL SECURITY

(Mr. ETHERIDGE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of Social Security. Social Security is our Nation's most successful domestic initiative. It has lifted millions of Americans out of poverty. Social Security represents a solemn promise to our seniors that says if you work hard and play by the rules you will not be forced in your golden years into poverty, and no one has a right to break that promise.

The Republican leadership plans to privatize Social Security and replace its guarantee with a risky gamble. This privatization plan jeopardizes the requirement security of our seniors and our working families. Now the Republican leadership is trying to change the subject and duck the word "privatization." The American people will not be fooled by this trick. This House must

put aside partisan tricks and the privatization plan, and I call on my colleagues to join me in opposing privatization and work to protect Social Security and the promise to America's seniors.

PRIVATIZATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY

(Mr. CROWLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CROWLEY. Mr. Speaker, if you loved what happened to the people who invested their retirement savings in Enron stock, look out. House Republicans have something even better as a sequel, the privatization of Social Security. They can retitle it all they want as personal retirement accounts or personal choice or individual investing options, but it all means the same thing, privatization, taking your hard earned money from Social Security and giving it to the same people who brought us Enron and Global Crossing. No more guaranteed retirement income for seniors, but guaranteed instability.

Should Ken Lay and Ivan Boesky and Michael Milliken be deciding your personal retirement future? Democrats say no. Republicans say yes. Oppose the Republican efforts to privatize social security. It is your money and do not let them forget it.

When Social Security was started in 1935, 40 percent of Americans were dying in a state of poverty. We have not come very far. Today a full 33 percent of Americans rely on Social Security for their only source of income in retirement years.

BIPARTISAN WELFARE REFORM

(Mr. ROEMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROEMER. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to have voted for a successful bipartisan welfare reform in 1996. That bill has worked to get people off of welfare roles into work, and many of them out of poverty.

Now we have a Republican bill that is coming to the floor later today that threatens that very success because it omits three important things. One, instead of emphasizing work it emphasizes simply knocking people off the welfare roles. We want to give a credit to States to get people into jobs, not just off welfare.

Secondly, we need to emphasize child care. I support more work for welfare families. If they are going to work more, their children are going to need more child care. We have 12,757 children on the waiting list today in Indiana for child care.

Thirdly, we emphasized mothers, single mothers and welfare reform in 1996. We largely left out fathers. We should be able to offer an amendment to make fathers, noncustodial parents get back

into the workplace. Let us work with that much maligned body on the other side to get real reform that continues the bipartisan success of 1996.

FROM WELFARE TO WORK

(Ms. HART asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. HART. Mr. Speaker, we have the opportunity now to reauthorize one of the most successful pieces of legislation this House has ever passed, the welfare reform legislation. I think it is important to focus on one point that has come to be a part of this reauthorization, improvement in this bill. It is one that will be so very helpful to families across the United States who are struggling to move from welfare to work, welfare to independence, welfare to hope for the future. And one of those situations that we have identified that we are improving greatly in this bill is the opportunity for moms to go to work, and that is because we are adding significant amounts of resources for them to get good safe child care for their children.

There have been so many children elevated from poverty because of the welfare reform. We are only going to improve those figures by doing what we are doing here today. And one of the best parts, one that I am very proud to have been part of, is where we will now give more moms the opportunity to move into the independence of work because we are going to help them with safe and competent child care.

SUCCESS FOR AMERICA'S CHILDREN

(Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, we are going to go tackle the welfare reform debate here, and there is one very important element and that focuses on children. The real success of welfare reform has been to move people from helplessness to hope and move children out of poverty. There are 3 million fewer children today in poverty because their moms have gotten a job to be able to support their family. We are going to build on that today by adding \$2 billion more into child care and giving States the flexibility to move that money from folks who are on welfare to folks who are the low income working poor to support their return to work.

This is a great day for America, a great celebration of all that we have achieved for America's children and we will build on that success.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY, WORK, AND FAMILY PROMOTION ACT OF 2002

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 422 I call up the

bill (H.R. 4737) to reauthorize and improve the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, improve access to quality child care, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 422, the bill is considered read for amendment.

The text of H.R. 4737 is as follows:

H.R. 4737

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 "Personal Responsibility, Work, and Family Promotion Act of 2002".

SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title.
- Sec. 2. Table of contents.
- Sec. 3. References.
- Sec. 4. Findings.

TITLE I—TANF

- Sec. 101. Purposes.
- Sec. 102. Family assistance grants.
- Sec. 103. Promotion of family formation and healthy marriage.
- Sec. 104. Supplemental grant for population increases in certain States.
- Sec. 105. Bonus to reward employment achievement.
- Sec. 106. Contingency fund.
- Sec. 107. Use of funds.
- Sec. 108. Repeal of Federal loan for State welfare programs.
- Sec. 109. Universal engagement and family self-sufficiency plan requirements.
- Sec. 110. Work participation requirements.
- Sec. 111. Maintenance of effort.
- Sec. 112. Performance improvement.
- Sec. 113. Data collection and reporting.
- Sec. 114. Direct funding and administration by Indian tribes.
- Sec. 115. Research, evaluations, and national studies.
- Sec. 116. Studies by the Census Bureau and the General Accounting Office.
- Sec. 117. Definition of assistance.
- Sec. 118. Technical corrections.
- Sec. 119. Fatherhood program.
- Sec. 120. State option to make TANF programs mandatory partners with one-stop employment training centers.
- Sec. 121. Sense of the Congress.

TITLE II—CHILD CARE

- Sec. 201. Short title.
- Sec. 202. Goals.
- Sec. 203. Authorization of appropriations.
- Sec. 204. Application and plan.
- Sec. 205. Activities to improve the quality of child care.
- Sec. 206. Report by Secretary.
- Sec. 207. Definitions.
- Sec. 208. Entitlement funding.

TITLE III—TAXPAYER PROTECTIONS

- Sec. 301. Exclusion from gross income for interest on overpayments of income tax by individuals.
- Sec. 302. Deposits made to suspend running of interest on potential underpayments.
- Sec. 303. Partial payment of tax liability in installment agreements.

TITLE IV—CHILD SUPPORT

- Sec. 401. Federal matching funds for limited pass through of child support payments to families receiving TANF.