

for this tax credit should neither be charged premiums or offered benefits that apply only to this group nor pay higher premiums based on their own health status or history.

In addition, the law provides guaranteed issue to qualifying individuals (see section (35)(e)(2)(A)(i)). "Guaranteed issue" has the same meaning in this law that is in state regulation of insurance. Specifically, to be qualified health insurance, each plan must ensure access to each qualified individual who meets the other criteria for this coverage. It does not mean that an issuer of health insurance can accept some but not all qualifying individuals so long as there is an alternative that accepts the denied individuals (e.g., a high-risk pool).

Third, since the goal of this provision is preventing loss of health coverage, the Conference Committee agreed that eligible individuals must also have been previously insured for three months (see section (35)(e)(3)(B)). The law does not specify when this aggregate of three months of creditable coverage had to occur. To clarify, we intended that this coverage should occur for three months prior to employment separation necessary to attain eligibility for assistance under this law (e.g., termination due to trade in the case of displaced workers eligible for trade adjustment assistance and retirement in the case of Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) eligible individuals). The three-month coverage requirement should not disqualify those who had or have lapses of coverage between the loss of job-based or retiree coverage and application or eligibility determination for assistance to this program. Indeed, these individuals have a special need for access to affordable health insurance and should not be penalized due to delays in passing, implementing, and operating this law.

I make these clarifications to underscore their importance in successfully implementing the health provisions of the Trade Act. I know that the President shares our mutual commitment to make this an effective program that preserves health insurance for this set of American workers and retirees. I look forward toward a continued collaboration in implementing, monitoring, and, if successful, expanding these important health policies.

Sincerely,

MAX BAUCUS.

COMPLIANCE OF IMMIGRATION LAWS PROVISION OF THE CYBER SECURITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACT

Mr. HOLLINGS. Madam President, I would like to engage in a brief colloquy with the ranking member of the Judiciary Committee, Senator ORRIN HATCH, regarding H.R. 3394, the Cyber Security Research and Development Act, which was passed by the Senate in October and is set for consideration by the House of Representatives today. Section 16 of the bill is intended to ensure that Federal grants and fellowships for cyber security research and development are not awarded to individuals violating the terms of his or her immigration status, individuals from States sponsoring terrorism, or institutions that are not in compliance with appropriate record keeping requirements for immigrant students.

Mr. HATCH. Section 16 of H.R. 3394 would ensure that the authorized funding in the bill for research purposes does not support individuals in violation of U.S. immigration laws. The in-

tent of this section is to prevent any funding, directly or indirectly, of any individual who may pose a threat to our national security, or of any higher education institution, nonprofit institution, or consortia thereof that is not in compliance with the immigration laws. This section does not provide any new or additional authority to the Immigration and Naturalization Service or any other federal agency.

Mr. HOLLINGS. The ranking member is correct. Our intent with this provision is not to create new immigration laws or grant new authority. Rather, this provision merely makes compliance with existing immigration laws a requirement for grant eligibility. We also recognize that this section cannot take effect until regulations are issued under 8 USC 1372(c)(1).

Mr. HATCH. I agree with the chairman of the Commerce Committee. I also want to thank Senator ALLEN and Senator WYDEN for working with me to include these provisions in the act.

Mr. HOLLINGS. I thank Senator HATCH. Section 16 will ensure that our national security is protected while increasing critical research and development cyber-security programs.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

IN HONOR OF SAFE KIDS

• Mr. HOLLINGS. Madam President, I want to commend the Children's Hospital, of the Greenville, SC, Hospital System, for being honored by the National SAFE KIDS campaign as the best of the best in the Nation.

Today, the No. 1 killer of children ages 14 and under is unintentional injury. Whether it is caused by children not wearing a helmet when riding a bike, or accidentally swallowing poison, or not buckling seat belts, or playing with matches—the National SAFE KIDS movement is taking every measure possible to educate American families to prevent such injuries.

There are some 370 local SAFE KIDS coalitions in America and abroad working on this issue, and for Greenville to be named the 2002 SAFE KIDS Coalition of the Year is quite an honor. Greenville also was recognized for having the best national SAFE KIDS week in the Nation. Each year, Greenville hosts the event at a local mall, bringing together 800 volunteers to reach 5,000 children.

I thank Greenville's Linda Brees, Musette Stern, Kathy Harper, and their network of community volunteers for making the safety of children a No. 1 priority in my home state.●

IN MEMORY OF RUSS PETERSON

• Mr. LUGAR. Madam President, I have recently received news that Mr. Russ Peterson, a fellow Hoosier and an outstanding American, has passed away. I rise today to offer my condolences to the Peterson family and share with my colleagues a few words regarding his lifetime of service and achievement.

Mr. Peterson embodied all of the characteristics of an outstanding leader. He served as President of Porter Advertising, a firm based in Richmond, Indiana. Mr. Peterson was a remarkable community business leader whose vision and determination created jobs and generated economic growth across Indiana. He also served, nationally, in leadership positions for the Outdoor Advertising Association of America.

While his entrepreneurial achievements are impressive, I admire his countless contributions to the community of Richmond, Indiana. He was a music aficionado and enthusiast, who used his talents and leadership positions to encourage and support local performance arts and music. In addition, he was a performer and sang in the Central United Methodist Church choir, a local symphony chorus, various operas, and even a barbershop quartet many years ago.

Mr. President, I am pleased to have this opportunity to pay tribute to the life of Russ Peterson. I express my most solemn condolences to his wife of nearly 50 years, Joan Porter Peterson, and his entire family.●

IN MEMORY OF FRANCES HUMPHREY HOWARD

• Mr. HOLLINGS. Madam President, last month our extended Senate family suffered a great loss with the passing of Frances Humphrey Howard. I know her brother, our former colleague from Minnesota, Hubert Humphrey, would appreciate this body recognizing the important role she played.

Frances Howard was always a trend setter. When few women went to college, she graduated with a master's degree. She worked for Eleanor Roosevelt. She was a foreign service officer for the State Department at a time when mostly men were in the foreign service. She worked for the National Institutes of Health as a liaison officer, developing programs for medical libraries. She sat on the board of several companies involved with the arts and social activism. And when her colleagues retired at 65, Frances worked until she was 85.

Senator Humphrey adored his younger sister, and for good reason. He would not have been the warrior he was without his chief supporter, chief confidant, and chief campaigner. All of the important bills Senator Humphrey sponsored on civil rights, on Medicare, on the Peace Corps, and on the Food Stamp program were influenced by her concern for minorities, the elderly, the sick, and the hungry. She was a great advocate for laws that make a real difference in the lives of the neediest in this country.

Frances' role was behind the scenes, but today, instead of always quitting her good job to help Senator Humphrey in his campaigns, she'd have run herself—and won. If Hubert were here we

might be listening to all the stories, but they can be summed up in one sentence: During her sixty years as an activist in Washington, Frances Humphrey Howard truly made a difference.

I know all of my colleagues, and especially our spouses, will miss Frances. My wife, Peatsy, joins me in extending our gratitude for her untiring efforts and our deepest sympathy to her children, Anne and William, and to the entire Humphrey family.●

TRIBUTE TO BARBARA SNELLING

● Mr. JEFFORDS. Madam President, today I congratulate and thank the Honorable Barbara W. Snelling from Shelburne, VT on her lifetime of service to Vermont citizens, young and old.

Back in Vermont, Barbara is being honored by the Vermont Chamber of Commerce as the 2002 Citizen of the Year. In my home state, the Snelling name is synonymous with public service, commitment to community, personal integrity and leadership.

Barbara ran for public office in 1991, shortly after the untimely death of her husband, Gov. Richard A. Snelling. Her list of achievements is long: two-term Lieutenant Governor; two-term State Senator; president of a consulting firm for 14 years; trustee for her alma mater, Radcliffe College; and current member of the United States Peace Institute, an appointment made by former President Clinton. She has also held seemingly endless titles in her community, from Girl Scout Troop leader to United Way Board member.

Her life work is a testament to the meaning of public service that few individuals are capable of achieving. Barbara's endless devotion and commitment to the people of Vermont uniquely qualifies her as a key advisor to her daughter, Diane Snelling, who now serves as a Vermont State Senator.

Barbara has become a symbol of the strength in spirit and courage to overcome adversity. In 1996, during her bid for Governor, she suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and lapsed into a coma. Her determination and drive led to a miraculous recovery.

In her work at the Vermont State House, Barbara used the legislative process for the benefit of all and detriment to none. Each day, Barbara works tirelessly for Vermont, and for this we must all thank her. We owe a great deal to this courageous and determined stateswoman.

Congratulations, Barbara. Your leadership and grace are legendary to the people of Vermont. We are all extremely proud of you and your accomplishments.●

60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

● Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Madam President, today I congratulate George and Gertrude Lewis on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. They have been residents of Oregon for most of their lives, first in Medford and now in Lake Oswego.

George Lewis was born May 8, 1920 in Takilma, OR. Gertrude Lewis was born July 22, 1920 in Lambert, MT.

George and Gertrude met in the fall of 1939 when they were both pursuing undergraduate studies at the University of Washington in Seattle, WA. They began dating in the spring of 1941 and were married November 11, 1942. November 11, 2002 marks their 60th wedding anniversary.

George joined the Army Air Force, and he left to join allied forces in Europe in February of 1943. On April 5, 1943, his plane was shot down and he became a Prisoner of War until he was liberated on May 8, 1945. He has received a Purple Heart for his service to his country.

George and Gertrude's first child, Diane, was born on October 13, 1943 while George was still a POW. He didn't meet his daughter until he returned from the war in 1945. They then moved to Medford, OR, where George worked for United Airlines as a passenger agent. On April 22, 1946, their second child Stephen was born.

In 1950, George and Gertrude opened their own business, Rogue Valley Travel, a travel agency in Medford, OR. They ran the company together until they sold it and retired in 1980. Gertrude remembers that one of the best times of their lives was in 1952 when they were able to afford their first trip to New York City and Europe, where they visited London and Paris. Since that time, they have traveled all over the world, to Europe, Asia, Africa and more. George's and Gertrude's grandchildren will always remember a map kept in the garage in their home in Medford with pins of all the cities they had been to.

In 1999, George and Gertrude moved to Lake Oswego, OR, where they live today.

Their two children, six grandchildren and two great grandchildren, are proud to help them celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary and work to live by the great example they have set.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. STANLEY F. TODD SR.

● Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I rise today to pay tribute to my friend and hero, the late Dr. Stanley E. Todd Sr. I would also like to extend my most heartfelt condolences to his daughter Becky Todd York, his son Stanley E. Todd Jr., his twin sister Hazel Bush, and his grandchildren.

As a World War II veteran, Dr. Todd possessed a great deal of courage and patriotism that deserves to be recognized and commended. He served as a nose gunner on a B-24 bomber, an endeavor that nearly cost him his life. At one point during his time in the service, Dr. Todd's plane was shot down over Austria and he became a German prisoner of war.

Though the trials Dr. Todd endured contributed to the person he became, he did not let his harrowing experi-

ences have an adverse affect on his life. Instead, he learned never to take a single moment for granted, a paradigm that rings true and serves as an example to all of us he leaves behind.

After completing his service in the military and marrying Esta Newman, Dr. Todd enrolled in the University of Louisville School of Dentistry. He practiced dentistry in Richmond, Ky., for 33 years. Also in Richmond, Dr. Todd helped found the Richmond Health and Rehabilitation Center, a facility that has provided care to residents since 1968.

Even after retiring in 1982, Dr. Todd continued to maintain an active lifestyle. He served Richmond as a city commissioner and also as chairman of the Richmond Housing Authority. Additionally, he was a former chairman of the board of the Kentucky Heart Association, and served on the board of the Kentucky River Foothills Development Corporation. An elder of Richmond's First Christian church, Dr. Todd provided missionary dental work in Haiti and helped found a local clothing bank. He was also instrumental in the organization of Richmond Little League baseball, and the founding of Stanton Woodcraft in Richmond.

I am certain that the legacy that Dr. Stanley E. Todd Sr., left behind will continue on. Indeed, he possessed a tremendous personal story that serves as a testament to the strength of his spirit and his faith and God. His faith, valor and strength of character should serve as an inspiration to us all. On behalf of myself and my colleagues in the Senate, I offer my deepest condolences to Dr. Todd's friends and loved ones, and express my gratitude for all he contributed to the Commonwealth of Kentucky and to our great Nation.●

TRIBUTE TO TED POSNER

● Mr. BAUCUS. Madam President, I rise today to thank Ted Posner, who has worked for me for a year-and-a-half as Trade Counsel for the Senate Finance Committee.

Ted joined my staff in April 2001 after working for 2 years for Congressman SANDY LEVIN, who is the Ranking Democrat on the Ways and Means Subcommittee on International Trade. There, Ted established himself as a nuts-and-bolts expert on trade laws. He earned the respect not only of his colleagues in the House and Senate, but also in the business community, and in the environmental and labor communities.

Perhaps Ted's biggest achievement in the House was his work to help pass permanent Normal Trade Relations for China. Most people are aware of the strong efforts of the House Democrats to forge a compromise that would help pass this important legislation. But few recognize the behind-the-scenes efforts of staff. Ted's work on this issue was tireless, and all who support trade with China owe Ted their gratitude.

Here in the Senate, Ted has continued his outstanding work—and helped