

By Mr. HUTCHINSON (for himself and Mr. CLELAND):

S. 2211. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to apply the additional retired pay percentage for extraordinary heroism to the computation of the retired pay of enlisted members of the Armed Forces who are retired for any reason, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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

S. 2212. A bill to establish a direct line of authority for the Office of Trust Reform Implementations and Oversight to oversee the management and reform of Indian trust funds and assets under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior, and to advance tribal management of such funds and assets, pursuant to the Indian Self-Determinations Act and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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

S. 2213. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income certain overseas pay of members of the Armed Forces of the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORZINE (for himself, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2214. A bill to provide compensation and income tax relief for the individuals who were victims of the terrorist-related bombing of the World Trade Center in 1993 on the same basis as compensation and income tax relief is provided to victims of the terrorist-related aircraft crashes on September 11, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 2215. A bill to halt Syrian support for terrorism, end its occupation of Lebanon, stop its development of weapons of mass destruction, cease its illegal importation of Iraqi oil, and by so doing hold Syria accountable for its role in the Middle East, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. Res. 246. A resolution demanding the return of the USS *Pueblo* to the United States Navy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 229

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 229, a bill to amend Federal banking law to permit the payment of interest on business checking accounts in certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

S. 237

At the request of Mr. HUTCHINSON, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 237, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 1993 income tax increase on Social Security benefits.

S. 554

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey

(Mr. TORRICELLI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 554, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand medicare coverage of certain self-injected biologicals.

S. 572

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 572, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to extend modifications to DSH allotments provided under the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000.

S. 677

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. CAMPBELL) were added as cosponsors of S. 677, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the required use of certain principal repayments on mortgage subsidy bond financing to redeem bonds, to modify the purchase price limitation under mortgage subsidy bond rules based on median family income, and for other purposes.

S. 1005

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1005, a bill to provide assistance to mobilize and support United States communities in carrying out community-based youth development programs that assure that all youth have access to programs and services that build the competencies and character development needed to fully prepare the youth to become adults and effective citizens, and for other purposes.

S. 1278

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1278, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a United States independent film and television production wage credit.

S. 1370

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1370, a bill to reform the health care liability system.

S. 1449

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1449, a bill to establish the National Office for Combatting Terrorism.

S. 1549

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1549, a bill to provide for increasing the technically trained workforce in the United States.

S. 1749

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1749, a bill to enhance the border security of the United States, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1749, supra.

S. 1785

At the request of Mr. CLELAND, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND), the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER), and the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) were added as cosponsors of S. 1785, a bill to urge the President to establish the White House Commission on National Military Appreciation Month, and for other purposes.

S. 1828

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1828, a bill to amend subchapter III of chapter 83 and chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to include Federal prosecutors within the definition of a law enforcement officer, and for other purposes.

S. 1981

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1981, a bill to enhance penalties for fraud in connection with identification documents that facilitates an act of domestic terrorism.

S. 1990

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to establish a public education awareness program relating to emergency contraception.

S. 1992

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1992, a bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to improve diversification of plan assets for participants in individual account plans, to improve disclosure, account access, and accountability under individual account plans, and for other purposes.

S. 2003

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the applicability of the prohibition on assignment of veterans benefits to agreements regarding future receipt of compensation, pension, or dependency and indemnity compensation, and for other purposes.

S. 2039

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) were added as cosponsors of S. 2039, a bill to expand aviation capacity in the Chicago area.

S. 2046

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SMITH) and the Senator from

New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize loan guarantees for rural health facilities to buy new and repair existing infrastructure and technology.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES), and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 2051, a bill to remove a condition preventing authority for concurrent receipt of military retired pay and veterans' disability compensation from taking affect, and for other purposes.

S. 2078

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2078, a bill to amend section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate notification and return requirements for State and local political committees and candidate committees and avoid duplicate reporting by certain State and local political committees of information required to be reported and made publicly available under State law, and for other purposes.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER), and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) were added as cosponsors of S. 2134, a bill to allow American victims of state sponsored terrorism to receive compensation from blocked assets of those states.

S. 2179

At the request of Mrs. CARNAHAN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to authorize the Attorney General to make grants to States, local governments, and Indian tribes to establish permanent tributes to honor men and women who were killed or disabled while serving as law enforcement or public safety officers.

S. RES. 109

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 109, a resolution designating the second Sunday in the month of December as "National Children's Memorial Day" and the last Friday in the month of April as "Children's Memorial Flag Day."

AMENDMENT NO. 3103

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3103 intended to be proposed to S. 517, a bill to authorize funding the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships

for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3136

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3136 intended to be proposed to S. 517, a bill to authorize funding the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3141

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), and the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3141 proposed to S. 517, a bill to authorize funding the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, and Mr. BENNETT):

S. 2194. A bill to hold accountable the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Palestinian Authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, on behalf of the Senator from California and myself, I offer the Arafat Accountability Act. This act seeks to create conditions more conducive to stopping the senseless violence and flow of innocent blood in the Middle East.

The act takes aim at the weakest link in ongoing efforts to negotiate a political solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict—PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat. His leadership has been marked by repeated failures—failure to forcefully denounce and terminate the spree of horrific homicide bombings, failure to serve as a credible and reliable partner in peace, and failure to fulfill the aspirations of the Palestinian people for stability, economic opportunity, and a viable homeland.

Instead, he has acquiesced to terror and violence. Documents seized during recent counterterrorism operations on the West Bank reveal his personal involvement in financing and supporting terrorism against Israeli civilians. The successful interception of a cargo vessel from Iran earlier this year—loaded with offensive weaponry destined for the Palestinian Authority—should have conclusively proven that Chairman Arafat was, at best, a balking partner in peace, or, at worst, a foe of any meaningful reconciliation.

The terrorist attacks against Israel must come to an end. And they must end on terms that safeguard the lives

and livelihoods of innocent Israeli and Palestinian civilians. Much like our war against the Taliban and al-Qaida in Afghanistan, Israel is rotting out terrorist cells and destroying their networks.

It is no understatement that the Israeli military is undertaking its operations with precision and professionalism that no other army in the region could exert.

The Arafat Accountability Act will not frustrate or derail the important efforts of the administration to secure a political solution to the ongoing strife. Rather, it places critical incentives to ensure that Chairman Arafat and the Palestinian Authority do not deliver a fatal blow to the prospects for peace.

Specifically, the act denies a visa to Arafat and other senior PLO officials to travel to the United States, downgrades the PLO's representative office here in Washington, restricts the travel of senior PLO officials at the United Nations, and seizes the assets of the PLO and the Palestinian Authority and Arafat in the United States. It also requires the administration to report to Congress on any acts of terrorism committed by the PLO or its constituent elements.

Importantly, the bill provides the President with flexibility in determining the sanctions, but it is my expectation that they would remain in place until a cease-fire is achieved and the Tenet plan implemented. These are the very same short-term goals that Secretary Powell has been trying to achieve over the last few days.

We should not forget that in 1993 Arafat himself committed the PLO to "a peaceful resolution of the conflict," so we are not holding Arafat to any higher standard than he established for himself already.

I would offer that Arafat should have listened more carefully to Secretary Powell when he said to the Nation and the world from the McConnell Center for Political Leadership at the University of Louisville last year that solutions to this conflict "will not be created by teaching hate and division, nor will they be born amidst violence and war."

I emphasize that it is not my intent to push this bill to a vote on the Senate floor at this time. We should give the President and his advisers more time to pursue their objectives in the region.

It is my intent, though, and the intent of the Senator from California, to send a powerful signal to Chairman Arafat and the Palestinian Authority that the Senate will not stand idly by while they talk peace in English and practice terror in Arabic.

No progress toward a political solution to this conflict will be made until and unless Yasser Arafat forcefully, clearly, and repeatedly condemns homicide bombings and other acts of terrorism against Israel and takes concrete measures to restrain Palestinian extremists.