

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. Res. 208. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate in support of improving American defenses against the spread of infectious diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. JEFFORDS (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WARNER, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. DODD):

S. Res. 209. A resolution recognizing and honoring Woodstock, Vermont, native Hiram Powers for his extraordinary and enduring contributions to American sculpture; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DODD, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. Res. 210. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that supporting a balance between work and personal life is in the best interest of national worker productivity, and that the President should issue a proclamation designating October as "National Work and Family Month"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. KYL, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. BYRD, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. DAYTON, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. Res. 211. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the temporary entry provisions in the Chile and Singapore Free Trade Agreements; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. BROWNBACK, and Mr. BIDEN):

S. Res. 212. A resolution welcoming His Holiness the Fourteenth Dalai Lama and recognizing his commitment to non-violence, human rights, freedom, and democracy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. EDWARDS):

S. Res. 213. A resolution designating August 2003, as "National Missing Adult Awareness Month," considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BOND, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. INOUE, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. ALLARD, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. Res. 214. A resolution congratulating Lance Armstrong for winning the 2003 Tour de France; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 215. A resolution to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of *Wagner v. United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary, et al.* considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 150

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 150, a bill to make permanent the moratorium on taxes on Internet access and multiple and discriminatory taxes on electronic commerce imposed by the Internet Tax Freedom Act.

S. 150

At the request of Mr. BAYH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 150, supra.

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At the request of Mr. SMITH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 150, supra.

S. 198

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 198, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an income tax credit for the provision of homeownership and community development, and for other purposes.

S. 229

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 229, a bill to provide for the merger of the bank and savings association deposit insurance funds, to modernize and improve the safety and fairness of the Federal deposit insurance system, and for other purposes.

S. 465

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 465, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand medicare coverage of certain self-injected biologicals.

S. 525

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 525, a bill to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 to reauthorize and improve that Act.

S. 595

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 595, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the required use of certain principal repayments on mortgage subsidy bond financings to redeem bonds, to modify the purchase price limitation under mortgage subsidy bond rules based on median family income, and for other purposes.

S. 720

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 720, a bill to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to provide for the improvement of patient safety and to reduce the incidence of events that adversely effect patient safety.

S. 736

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) were added as cosponsors of S. 736, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to strengthen enforcement of provisions relating to animal fighting, and for other purposes.

S. 846

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the names of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 846, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for premiums on mortgage insurance, and for other purposes.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Minnesota

(Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to permit States the option to provide medicare coverage for low income individuals infected with HIV.

S. 859

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 859, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to facilitating the development of microbicides for preventing transmission of HIV and other diseases.

S. 884

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 884, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide certain substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 950

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 950, a bill to allow travel between the United States and Cuba.

S. 982

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 982, 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 hold Syria accountable for its role in the Middle East, and for other purposes.

S. 1053

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1053, a bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment.

S. 1112

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1112, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to permit Department of Veterans Affairs pharmacies to dispense medications on prescriptions written by private practitioners to veterans who are currently awaiting their first appointment with the Department for medical care, and for other purposes.

S. 1120

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1120, a bill to establish an Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 1139

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Nebraska

(Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1139, a bill to direct the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to establish and carry out traffic safety law enforcement and compliance campaigns, and for other purposes.

S. 1142

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 1142, a bill to provide disadvantaged children with access to dental services.

S. 1177

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) and the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) were added as cosponsors of S. 1177, a bill to ensure the collection of all cigarette taxes, and for other purposes.

S. 1222

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 1222, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in determining eligibility for payment under the prospective payment system for inpatient rehabilitation facilities, to apply criteria consistent with rehabilitation impairment categories established by the Secretary for purposes of such prospective payment system.

S. 1265

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1265, a bill to limit the applicability of the annual updates to the allowance for State and other taxes in the tables used in the Federal Needs Analysis Methodology for the award year 2004-2005, published in the Federal Register on May 30, 2003.

S. 1283

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1283, a bill to require advance notification of Congress regarding any action proposed to be taken by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the implementation of the Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services initiative of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 1298

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1298, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to ensure the humane slaughter of non-ambulatory livestock, and for other purposes.

S. 1303

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor

of S. 1303, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act and otherwise revise the Medicare Program to reform the method of paying for covered drugs, drug administration services, and chemotherapy support services.

S. 1323

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1323, a bill to extend the period for which chapter 12 of title 11, United States Code, is reenacted by 6 months.

S. 1344

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1344, a bill to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to require additional disclosures relating to exchange rates in transfers involving international transactions, and for other purposes.

S. 1369

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1369, a bill to ensure that prescription drug benefits offered to medicare eligible enrollees in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program are at least equal to the actuarial value of the prescription drug benefits offered to enrollees under the plan generally.

S. 1390

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1390, a bill to protect children and their parents from being coerced into administering a controlled substance in order to attend school, and for other purposes.

S. 1397

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1397, a bill to prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in governmental activities.

S. 1414

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1414, a bill to restore second amendment rights in the District of Columbia.

S. 1434

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Sen-

ator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH), the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1434, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to accelerate the increase in the refundability of the child tax credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1459

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1459, a bill to provide for reform of management of Indian trust funds and assets under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes.

S. 1470

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1470, a bill to establish the Financial Literacy and Education Coordinating Committee within the Department of the Treasury to improve the state of financial literacy and education among American consumers.

S. 1481

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1481, a bill to prohibit the application of the trade authorities procedures with respect to implementing bills that contain provisions regarding the entry of aliens.

S. 1485

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1485, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to protect the rights of employees to receive overtime compensation.

S. 1493

At the request of Mr. CHAMBLISS, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1493, a bill to promote freedom, fairness, and economic opportunity by repealing the income tax and other taxes, abolishing the Internal Revenue Service, and enacting a national sales tax to be administered primarily by the States.

S. RES. 30

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) and the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 30, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the President should designate the week beginning September 14, 2003, as "National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week".

S. RES. 200

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 200, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should adopt a conference agreement on the child tax credit and on tax relief for military personnel.

S. RES. 202

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 202, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the genocidal Ukraine Famine of 1932-33.

S. RES. 204

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 204, a resolution designating the week of November 9 through November 15, 2003, as "National Veterans Awareness Week" to emphasize the need to develop educational programs regarding the contributions of veterans to the country.

AMENDMENT NO. 1405

At the request of Mr. MILLER, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1405 intended to be proposed to S. 14, a bill to enhance the energy security of the United States, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. BUNNING (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. BOND):

S. 1506. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow distilled spirits wholesalers a credit against income tax for their cost of carrying Federal excise taxes prior to the sale of the product bearing the tax; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation that will resolve a longstanding inequity in the tax treatment of U.S. distilled spirits that penalizes the wholesalers, and in some cases suppliers, of these products.

Under current law, wholesalers of distilled spirits are not required to pay

the Federal excise tax on imported spirits until after the product is removed from a bonded warehouse for sale to a retailer.

In contrast, the tax on domestically produced spirits is included as part of the purchase price and passed on from the supplier to wholesaler. After factoring in the Federal excise tax (FET)—which is \$13.50 per proof gallon—domestically produced spirits can cost wholesalers 40 percent more to purchase than comparable imported spirits.

In some instances, wholesalers and even suppliers can carry this tax-paid inventory for an average of 60 days before selling it to a retailer. Interest charges—more commonly referred to as float—resulting from financing the Federal excise tax can be quite considerable.

For example, at a 5 percent interest rate on the sale of 100,000 cases of domestic spirits, a wholesaler will incur finance charges of \$21,106.85 for loans related to underwriting the cost of paying the Federal excise tax. It is important to note that it is not uncommon for wholesalers to sell a million or more cases per year of domestic spirits.

The costs associated with financing Federal excise taxes amount to a tax on a tax, making the effective rate of the Federal excise tax for domestic spirits much higher than \$13.50 per proof gallon.

The Distilled Spirits Tax Equity Act would give wholesalers and suppliers in bailment states a tax credit towards the cost of financing the FET for domestically produced products.

I believe this legislation is fundamentally fair and will help protect and create jobs for the wholesale tier in Kentucky and other States. However, I wish to emphasize that I will reject any connection between a repeal of Section 5010 within the Internal Revenue Code or an increase in federal taxes for distilled spirits. Tax equity for one tier should not be achieved by placing additional burden on other tiers within the same industry.

My colleagues, Senators BOND and BREAUX join me in introducing this legislation, which the Joint Tax Committee estimates would reduce Federal revenues by approximately \$249 million over ten years. Congressmen COLLINS and NEAL have introduced similar legislation that has garnered significant support in the House of Representatives. I urge my colleagues to support this legislation when it comes before the Senate.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 1507. A bill to protect privacy by limiting the access of the government to library, bookseller, and other personal records for foreign intelligence and counterintelligence purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, today I introduce the Library, Bookseller, and Personal Records Privacy Act.

This bill would amend the Patriot Act to protect the privacy of law-abiding Americans. It would set reasonable limits on the Federal Government's access to library, bookseller, medical, and other sensitive, personal information under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act and related foreign intelligence authority.

I am pleased that several of my distinguished colleagues—Senators BINGAMAN, KENNEDY, CANTWELL, DURBIN, WYDEN, CORZINE, AKAKA, and JEFFORDS—have joined me as original cosponsors of this important legislation.

I and millions of other patriotic Americans love our country and support our military men and women in their difficult missions abroad, but worry about the fate of our Constitution here at home.

Much of our Nation's strength comes from our constitutional liberties and respect for the rule of law. That is what has kept us free for our two and a quarter century history. Our constitutional freedoms, our American values, are what make our country worth fighting for in the fight against terrorism.

Here at home, there is no question that the FBI needs ample resources and legal authority to prevent future acts of terrorism. But the Patriot Act went too far when it comes to the government's access to personal information about law-abiding Americans.

Even though in the end I opposed the Patriot Act, there were several provisions that I did support. For example, Congress was right to expand the category of business records that the FBI could obtain by subpoena pursuant to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. Prior to the Patriot Act, the FBI could seek a court order to obtain only travel records—such as airline, hotel, and car rental records—and records maintained by storage facilities. The Patriot Act allows any business records to be subpoenaed. I don't quibble with that change.

But what my colleagues and I do find problematic—and an increasing number of Americans who value their privacy and First Amendment rights agree with us—is that the current law allows the FBI broad, almost unfettered access to personal information about law-abiding Americans who have no connection to terrorism or spying.

Section 215 of the Patriot Act requires the FBI to show in an application to the court for a subpoena that the documents are "sought for" an international terrorism or foreign intelligence investigation. There is no requirement that the FBI make a showing of individualized suspicion that the documents relate to a suspected terrorism or spy.

In other words, under current law, the FBI could serve a subpoena on a library for all the borrowing records of its patrons or on a bookseller for the