

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. SMITH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 929. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to make grants for security improvements to over-the-road bus operations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 930. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to establish a program to provide assistance to enhance the ability of first responders to prepare for and respond to all hazards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 59

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 59, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit former members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated as total to travel on military aircraft in the same manner and to the same extent as retired members of the Armed Forces are entitled to travel on such aircraft.

S. 114

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 114, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove the 20 percent inpatient limitation under the medicare program on the proportion of hospice care that certain rural hospice programs may provide.

S. 127

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 127, a bill to allow a custodial parent a bad debt deduction for unpaid child support payments, and to require a parent who is chronically delinquent in child support to include the amount of the unpaid obligation in gross income.

S. 224

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 224, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

S. 253

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 253, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns.

S. 255

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 255, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to require phased increases in the fuel efficiency standards applicable to light trucks; to require fuel economy standards for automobiles up to 10,000 pounds gross vehi-

cle weight; to increase the fuel economy of the Federal fleet of vehicles, and for other purposes.

S. 336

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 336, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to expand reimbursement for travel expenses of covered beneficiaries for specialty care in order to cover specialized dental care.

S. 356

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 356, a bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to increase the allowable credit for biodiesel use under the alternatively fueled vehicle purchase requirement.

S. 365

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 365, a bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to establish a program to make allocations to States for projects to expand 2-lane highways in rural areas to 4-lane highways.

S. 384

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of S. 384, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent corporate expatriation to avoid United States income taxes.

S. 392

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of S. 392, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive both military retired pay by reason of their years of military service and disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability.

S. 516

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 516, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to allow the arming of pilots of cargo aircraft, and for other purposes.

S. 539

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 539, a bill to authorize appropriations for border and transportation security personnel and technology, and for other purposes.

S. 623

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) and the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) were added as cosponsors of S. 623, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Federal

civilian and military retirees to pay health insurance premiums on a pretax basis and to allow a deduction for TRICARE supplemental premiums.

S. 647

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 647, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for Department of Defense funding of continuation of health benefits plan coverage for certain Reserves called or ordered to active duty and their dependents, and for other purposes.

S. 678

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 678, a bill to amend chapter 10 of title 39, United States Code, to include postmasters and postmasters organizations in the process for the development and planning of certain policies, schedules, and programs, and for other purposes.

S. 756

At the request of Mr. THOMAS, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX) was added as a cosponsor of S. 756, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the qualified small issue bond provisions.

S. 764

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 764, a bill to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program.

S. 767

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 767 a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the increase in the tax on social security benefits.

S. 789

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 789, a bill to change the requirements for naturalization through service in the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. 797

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 797, a bill to prevent the pretrial release of those who rape or kidnap children, and for other purposes.

S. 798

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 798, a bill to assist the States in enforcing laws requiring registration of convicted sex offenders.

S. 799

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 799, a bill to require Federal agencies to establish procedures to facilitate the

safe recovery of children reported missing within a public building.

S. 800

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 800, a bill to prevent the use of a misleading domain name with the intent to deceive a person into viewing obscenity on the Internet.

S. 811

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 811, a bill to support certain housing proposals in the fiscal year 2003 budget for the Federal Government, including the downpayment assistance initiative under the HOME Investment Partnership Act, and for other purposes.

S. 816

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 816, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect and preserve access of medicare beneficiaries to health care provided to health care provided by hospitals in rural areas, and for other purposes.

S. 822

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 822, a bill to create a 3-year pilot program that makes small non-profit child care businesses eligible for SBA 504 loans.

S. 823

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 823, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the expeditious coverage of new medical technology under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 877

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. TALENT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 877, a bill to regulate interstate commerce by imposing limitations and penalties on the transmission of unsolicited commercial electronic mail via the Internet.

S. 884

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) 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. 888

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 888, a bill to reauthorize the Museum

and Library Services Act, and for other purposes.

S. 899

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 899, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to restore the full market basket percentage increase applied to payments to hospitals for inpatient hospital services furnished to medicare beneficiaries, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 11

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 11, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for women and men.

S. CON. RES. 3

At the request of Mr. MILLER, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 3, a concurrent resolution recognizing, applauding, and supporting the efforts of the Army Aviation Heritage Foundation, a non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Georgia, to utilize veteran aviators of the Armed Forces and former Army Aviation aircraft to inspire Americans and to ensure that our Nation's military legacy and heritage of service are never forgotten.

S. CON. RES. 7

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 7, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the sharp escalation of anti-Semitic violence within many participating States of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) is of profound concern and efforts should be undertaken to prevent future occurrences.

S. CON. RES. 32

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 32, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the protection of religious sites and the freedom of access and worship.

S. RES. 118

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 118, a resolution supporting the goals of the Japanese American, German American, and Italian American communities in recognizing a National Day of Remembrance to increase public awareness of the events surrounding the restriction, exclusion, and internment of individuals and families during World War II.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. VOINOVICH:

S. 926. A bill to amend section 5379 of title 5, United States Code, to increase the annual and aggregate limits on student loan repayments by Federal agencies; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Federal Employee Student Loan Assistance Act be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 926

*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 "Federal Employee Student Loan Assistance Act."

#### SEC. 2. STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENTS.

Section 5379(b)(2) of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking "\$6,000" and inserting "\$10,000"; and

(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking "\$40,000" and inserting "\$60,000".

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. SMITH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 929. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to make grants for security improvements to over-the-road bus operations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I am pleased to be joined today by Senators HOLLINGS, HUTCHISON, LAUTENBERG, SMITH, and SNOWE in introducing the Over-the-Road Bus Security and Safety Act of 2003. The purpose of the bill is to provide funding assistance for security improvements to the intercity bus industry. The legislation is the bipartisan product of work that occurred during the last Congress under the leadership of Senator Max Cleland.

Since the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, Congress and the Administration have taken extraordinary steps to improve security. We have enacted the Homeland Security Act, which consolidated 22 agencies in a new Department of Homeland Security. We also have enacted the Aviation and Transportation Security Act, ATSA, which closed security gaps at our nation's airports and largely transferred the responsibilities of the security of air transportation to the federal government. In addition, we've enacted the Maritime Transportation Security Act, MTSA, which, for the first time ever, established a framework for security at our nation's maritime ports. Yet, much remains to be done as we work to identify and close security gaps.

As we have witnessed in other countries, bus transportation can be the target of terrorist attacks. This is further evidenced by the fact that terminals that have already implemented a passenger screening process have seen a rise in discarded weapons in bus stations. In our view, facility improvements and baggage screening efforts