

S. 498. A bill to authorize the President to posthumously award a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Joseph A. De Laine in recognition of his contributions to the Nation.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GREGG for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*David Hall, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2005.

*Lillian R. BeVier, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2004.

Mr. GREGG, Mr. President, for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions I report favorably the following nomination list which was printed in the RECORD on the date indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that this nomination lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

*Public Health Service nominations beginning Thomas D. Matte and ending Ronald R. Pinheiro, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 3, 2003.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. VOINOVICH:

S. 1326. A bill to establish the position of Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Manufacturing in the Department of Commerce; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CORZINE:

S. 1327. A bill to reduce unsolicited commercial electronic mail and to protect children from sexually oriented advertisements; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 1328. A bill to provide for an evaluation by the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences of leading health care performance measures and options to implement policies that align performance with payment under the Medicare program under title XVIII of the Social Security Act; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. 1329. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Transportation to carry out a grant program to provide financial assistance for local rail line relocations projects; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 1330. A bill to establish the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area

in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. BREAUX):

S. 1331. A bill to clarify the treatment of tax attributes under section 108 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for taxpayers which file consolidated returns; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 1332. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide regulatory relief, appeals process reforms, contracting flexibility, and education improvements under the Medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BAUCUS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. SMITH, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BREAUX, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 1333. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the treatment of certain expenses of rural letter carriers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SHELBY:

S. 1334. An original bill to facilitate check truncation by authorizing substitute checks, to foster innovation in the check collection system without mandating receipt of checks in electronic form, and to improve the overall efficiency of the Nation's payments system, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. BREAUX):

S. 1335. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a deduction for qualified long-term care insurance premiums, use of such insurance under cafeteria plans and flexible spending arrangements, and a credit for individuals with long-term care needs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 1336. A bill to allow North Koreans to apply for refugee status or asylum; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH:

S. 1337. A bill to establish an incentive program to promote effective safety belt laws and increase safety belt use; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. ENSIGN (for Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. KYL, Mr. BURNS, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. CRAIG)):

S. Res. 183. A resolution commemorating 50 years of adjudication under the McCarran Amendment of rights to the use of water; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KYL (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. ALLEN):

S. Res. 184. A resolution calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China immediately and unconditionally to release Dr. Yang Jianli, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. INOUE):

S. Res. 185. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to raising awareness and encouraging education about safety on the Internet and supporting the goals and ideals of National Internet Safety Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 186. A resolution commending August Hiebert for his service to the Alaska Communications Industry; ordered held at the desk.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 470

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. TALENT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 470, a bill to extend the authority for the construction of a memorial to Martin Luther King, Jr.

S. 501

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 501, a bill to provide a grant program for gifted and talented students, and for other purposes.

S. 517

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 517, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.

S. 518

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 518, a bill to increase the supply of pancreatic islet cells for research, to provide better coordination of Federal efforts and information on islet cell transplantation, and to collect the data necessary to move islet cell transplantation from an experimental procedure to a standard therapy.

S. 595

At the request of Mr. BREAUX, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) 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. 610

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 610, a bill to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, to provide for workforce flexibilities and certain Federal personnel provisions relating to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 640

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 640, 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. 664

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 664, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the research credit, to increase the rates of the alternative incremental credit, and to provide an alternative simplified credit for qualified research expenses.

S. 678

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) were added as cosponsors 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. 752

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 752, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat distributions from publicly traded partnerships as qualifying income of regulated investment companies, and for other purposes.

S. 765

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 765, a bill to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to streamline the financial disclosure process for executive branch employees.

S. 811

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. CAMPBELL) 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. 854

At the request of Mr. COLEMAN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 854, a bill to authorize a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture, and for other purposes.

S. 875

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. CAMPBELL) were added as cosponsors of S. 875, 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. 888

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Arkansas

(Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 888, a bill to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act, and for other purposes.

S. 939

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 939, a bill to amend part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to provide full Federal funding of such part, to provide an exception to the local maintenance of effort requirements, and for other purposes.

S. 973

At the request of Mr. NICKLES, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 973, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a shorter recovery period for the depreciation of certain restaurant buildings.

S. 1032

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1032, a bill to provide for alternative transportation in certain federally owned or managed areas that are open to the general public.

S. 1046

At the request of Mr. HOLLINGS, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1046, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to preserve localism, to foster and promote the diversity of television programming, to foster and promote competition, and to prevent excessive concentration of ownership of the nation's television broadcast stations.

S. 1091

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1091, a bill to provide funding for student loan repayment for public attorneys.

S. 1109

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1109, a bill to provide \$50,000,000,000 in new transportation infrastructure funding through Federal bonding to empower States and local governments to complete significant infrastructure projects across all modes of transportation, including roads, rail, transit, aviation, and water, and for other purposes.

S. 1129

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1129, a bill to provide for the protection of unaccompanied alien children, and for other purposes.

S. 1195

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1195, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to clarify that in-

patient drug prices charged to certain public hospitals are included in the best price exemptions for the medicaid drug rebate program.

S. 1201

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1201, a bill to promote healthy lifestyles and prevent unhealthy, risky behaviors among teenage youth.

S. 1218

At the request of Mr. HOLLINGS, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1218, a bill to provide for Presidential support and coordination of interagency ocean science programs and development and coordination of a comprehensive and integrated United States research and monitoring program.

S. 1248

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1248, a bill to reauthorize the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1252

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1252, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 1289

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1289, a bill to name the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota, after Paul Wellstone.

S. 1293

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1293, a bill to criminalize the sending of predatory and abusive e-mail.

S. 1303

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) 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. 1315

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. TALENT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1315, a bill to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to provide owners of non-Federal lands with a reliable method of receiving compensation for damages resulting from the spread of wildfire from nearby forested National Forest System lands or Bureau of Land Management lands, when those forested Federal lands are not maintained in the

forest health status known as condition class 1.

S. 1325

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBAC) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1325, a bill to amend the National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 to modify the applicability of requirements concerning hours of service to operators of commercial motor vehicles transporting agricultural commodities and farm supplies.

S. CON. RES. 25

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 25, a concurrent resolution recognizing and honoring America's Jewish community on the occasion of its 350th anniversary, supporting the designation of an "American Jewish History Month", and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 40

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 40, a concurrent resolution designating August 7, 2003, as "National Purple Heart Recognition Day".

S. RES. 160

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 160, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate that the federal Government should actively pursue a unified approach to strengthen and promote the national policy on aquaculture.

AMENDMENT NO. 936

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 936 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 938

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 938 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 956

At the request of Mr. REID, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 956 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the

medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 967

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 967 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 972

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 972 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 972

At the request of Mr. SMITH, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 972 proposed to S. 1, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 972

At the request of Mr. HOLLINGS, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 972 proposed to S. 1, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 972

At the request of Mr. HATCH, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 972 proposed to S. 1, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 972

At the request of Mr. BOND, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 972 proposed to S. 1, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 991

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 991 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 994

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 994 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 994

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 994 proposed to S. 1, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 994

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, her name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 994 proposed to S. 1, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 1000

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1000 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1003

At the request of Mr. BROWNBAC, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS) and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1003 intended to be proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1021

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1021 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1022

At the request of Mr. BROWNBAC, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1022 intended to be proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1024

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1024 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1040

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1040 proposed to S. 1, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. VOINOVICH:

S. 1326. A bill to establish the position of Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Manufacturing in the Department of Commerce; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

S. 1326

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR MANUFACTURING.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is in the Department of Commerce the position of Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Manufacturing. The Assistant Secretary shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

(b) DUTIES.—The Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Manufacturing shall—

(1) represent and advocate for the interests of the manufacturing sector;

(2) aid in the development of policies that promote the expansion of the manufacturing sector;

(3) review policies that may adversely impact the manufacturing sector; and

(4) perform such other duties as the Secretary of Commerce shall prescribe.

(c) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—The Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Manufacturing shall submit to Congress an annual report that contains the following:

(1) An overview of the state of the manufacturing sector in the United States.

(2) A forecast of the future state of the manufacturing sector in the United States.

(3) An analysis of current and significant laws, regulations, and policies that adversely impact the manufacturing sector in the United States.

(d) COMPENSATION.—Section 5314 of title 5, United States Code, relating to Level IV of the Executive Schedule, is amended by inserting before “and Assistant” in the item relating to the Assistant Secretaries of Commerce the following: “Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Manufacturing.”

By Mr. CORZINE:

S. 1327. A bill to reduce unsolicited commercial electronic mail and to protect children from sexually oriented advertisements; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. CORZINE. Mr. President, today I am introducing legislation, the Restrict and Eliminate the Delivery of Unsolicited Commercial Electronic Mail, REDUCE, Spam Act, to curb the influx of unwanted junk e-mail, or “spam,” that is clogging our inboxes and wasting the time and money of American consumers and businesses.

The flood of spam is growing so fast that it will soon account for more than half of all e-mail sent in the United States. Spam already accounts for nearly 40 percent of e-mail traffic, and costs U.S. businesses \$10 billion annually in lost productivity and additional equipment, software and manpower

costs necessary to manage this burden. Microsoft Inc. estimates that more than 80 percent of the more than 2.5 billion e-mail messages sent each day to Hotmail users are spam. And data suggests that the problem is only growing.

The problem of spam goes well beyond inconvenience and cost. The Federal Trade Commission examined a random sample of 1000 spam messages and, in a report issued on April 30, 2003, found staggering evidence of fraud. According to the report, 33 percent of the messages sampled contained false routing information; 22 percent contained false information in the subject line; 40 percent contained false statements in the text; and a full 66 percent contained false information of some sort. Most alarmingly, in the case of spam touting business or investment opportunities, 96 percent contained some sort of fraudulent information.

In addition, pornographic spam is a growing problem for parents trying to shield their children from such images. The FTC report found that 17 percent of spam advertising pornographic websites included adult images in the body of the message. This is not acceptable when our children are using email more and more each day.

Unfortunately, it is very difficult to track down those who send spam. Often, spammers use multiple e-mail addresses or disguise routing information to avoid being identified. Finding spammers can take not just real expertise, but persistence, time, energy and commitment.

To attack the problem of spam, my proposal adopts a two-prong approach championed by the leading thinker about cyberlaw, Professor Lawrence Lessig of Stanford Law School. Congresswoman ZOE LOFGREN also has introduced similar legislation in the House of Representatives. The approach is simple: first, anyone sending bulk unsolicited commercial e-mail would have to include on each e-mail a simple prefix—either ADV: or ADV:ADLT. Second, anyone who finds a spam-source who has failed to properly label unsolicited commercial e-mail would be eligible for a monetary reward from the FTC.

The first part of this proposal would enable Internet Service Providers, ISPs, employers and individual users to filter spam from business and personal email. This would give people the ability to tell their Internet service provider to block ADV e-mail, or they could automatically filter such e-mail into a spam folder on their own computer. This approach would enable far more effective filtering than currently possible.

The second part of my proposal would require the FTC to pay a bounty to anyone who tracks down a spammer who has failed properly to label unsolicited commercial e-mail. The proposal would invite anyone across the world who uses the Internet to hunt down these law-violating spammers.

The FTC would then fine them and pay a portion of that fine as a reward to the bounty hunter who found them. The FTC could use the remainder of the fine to track down and prosecute other spammers.

Creating incentives for private individuals to help track down spammers is likely to substantially strengthen the enforcement of anti-spam laws. And with proper enforcement, spammers would soon learn that neglecting to label spam does not pay. In the end, that will mean that more spammers will label their spam or give up and stop spamming altogether. Either way, we will have fixed, or at least started to fix, the problem.

Professor Lessig is so convinced that this approach will substantially reduce spam that he has pledged to resign from his job at Stanford if it does not. While I will not hold him to that warranty, I do share his enthusiasm about this innovative approach, which is likely to be much more effective than relying exclusively on government investigators to identify spammers.

Having said that, I recognize that any domestic anti-spam legislation potentially is subject to evasion by spammers who relocate overseas in order to continue sending spam. To respond to that possibility, my bill also orders the Administration to study the possibility of an international agreement to reduce spam. This is an issue that affects us globally, and, in my view, we should consider a coordinated response.

In addition to these primary provisions, my bill would require marketers to establish a valid return e-mail address to which an e-mail recipient can write to “opt-out” of receiving further e-mails, and would prohibit marketers from sending any further e-mails after a person opts-out. The bill also would prohibit spam with false or misleading routing information or deceptive subject headings, and would authorize the Federal Trade Commission to collect civil fines against marketers who violate these requirements. Furthermore, my proposal would give Internet Service Providers the right to bring civil actions against marketers who violate these requirements and disrupt their networks, and, finally, the proposal would establish criminal penalties for fraudulent spam.

I know that the Commerce Committee recently ordered reported legislation to deal with the problem of spam, and I am hopeful that bill will come before the full Senate before long. When it does, it is my intention to work with my colleagues to see if some of the concepts in the REDUCE Spam Act, such as the establishment of individual rewards for bounty hunters, and a report on a possible international agreement on spam, can be incorporated into the broader package, to ensure that any legislation sent to the President will actually be effective in reducing spam.

I ask unanimous consent that the text of the legislation be printed in the