

Beck, and her entire family. VA has lost one of its most dedicated and caring members, but I know that Ms. Goodwin-Beck's contributions to veterans' care will continue to be felt for years to come.●

IN MEMORY OF CHARLES T. BIGGS

● Mr. LUGAR. Madam President, I rise today to commemorate a constituent of mine, Charles T. Biggs, from Hope, IN, who passed away on December 2, 2003.

Mr. Biggs, known as "Charlie" to his numerous friends and colleagues, was an invaluable asset to the State of Indiana, and will be sorely missed in each community he worked so diligently to improve. Charlie taught at Hauser High School for many years as a music instructor, and a band and choir director. He also owned and published a local newspaper, the Hope Star-Journal. In addition, he was a member of the Hoosier State Press Association and a past president of the Indiana Democratic Editorial Association.

Charlie selflessly offered his remaining time to numerous organizations. He served on the Hope Volunteer Fire Department as an EMT, was a board member of the Heritage of Hope Foundation, was a member of the St. Bartholomew Catholic Church, and even served for over 30 years as the organist for the Hope United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Carol, four children, and seven granddaughters. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and colleagues during this difficult time.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations, a withdrawal and a treaty which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed in the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 2006. A bill to extend and expand the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

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. HAGEL (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 2010. A bill to strengthen national security and United States borders, reunify families, provide willing workers, and establish earned adjustment under the immigration laws of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HAGEL:

S. 2011. A bill to convert certain temporary Federal district judgeships to permanent judgeships, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2012. A bill for the relief of Luay Lufti Hadad; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 2013. A bill to amend section 119 of title 17, United States Code, to extend satellite home viewer provisions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 2014. A bill to amend the Federal Power Act to establish reliability standards; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 2015. A bill to prohibit energy market manipulation; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. FRIST:

S. Res. 285. A resolution recognizing 2004 as the "50th Anniversary of Rock 'n' Roll"; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 286. A resolution to authorize legal representation in United States of America v. Parvis Karim-Panahi; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. BREAU):

S. Res. 287. A resolution commending the Southern University and A&M College of Baton Rouge Jaguars for being the Sheridan Broadcasting National Black College Champions, the American Sports Wire National Black College Champions, and the MBC/BCSP National Black College Champions; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BREAU (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. Res. 288. A resolution commending the Louisiana State University Tigers football team for winning the 2003 Bowl Championship Series national championship game; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS—TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2004

S. 1891

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1891, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to establish a priority for the payment of claims for duties paid to the United States by licensed Customs brokers and sureties on behalf of a debtor.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 348

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 348, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make higher education more affordable, and for other purposes.

S. 1200

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1200, a bill to provide lasting protection for inventoried roadless areas within the National Forest System.

S. 1272

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1272, a bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to modify the provisions relating to citations and penalties.

S. 1345

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1345, a bill to extend the authorization for the ferry boat discretionary program, and for other purposes.

S. 1700

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1700, a bill to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post-conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes.

S. 1733

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1733, a bill to authorize the Attorney General to award grants to States to develop and implement State court interpreter programs.

S. 1813

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1813, a bill to prohibit profiteering and fraud relating to military action, relief, and reconstruction efforts in Iraq, and for other purposes.

S. 1961

At the request of Mr. HOLLINGS, the names of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1961, a bill to provide for the revitalization and enhancement of the American passenger and freight rail transportation system.

S. 1998

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1998, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to preserve the essential air service program.

S. 2006

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD) were added as cosponsors of S. 2006, a bill to extend and expand the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 19

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 19, a joint resolution recognizing Commodore John Barry as the first flag officer of the United States Navy.

S. RES. 276

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 276, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding fighting terror and embracing efforts to achieve Israeli-Palestinian peace.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

S. 2010. A bill to strengthen national security and United States borders, reunify families, provide willing workers, and establish earned adjustment under the immigration laws of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HAGEL. 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. 2010

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 "Immigration Reform Act of 2004: Strengthening America's National Security, Economy, and Families" or the "Immigration Reform Act of 2004".

TITLE I—FAMILY REUNIFICATION

SEC. 101. TREATMENT OF IMMEDIATE RELATIVES WITH RESPECT TO THE FAMILY IMMIGRATION CAP.

(a) EXEMPTION OF IMMEDIATE RELATIVES FROM FAMILY-SPONSORED IMMIGRANT CAP.—Section 201(c)(1)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(c)(1)(A)) is amended by striking clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) and inserting the following:

"(i) 480,000, minus;

"(ii) the number computed under paragraph (3); plus

"(iii) the number (if any) computed under paragraph (2)."

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 201(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(c)) is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (2); and

(2) by redesignating paragraphs (3), (4), and (5) as paragraphs (2), (3), and (4), respectively.

SEC. 102. RECLASSIFICATION OF SPOUSES AND MINOR CHILDREN OF LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS AS IMMEDIATE RELATIVES.

(a) IMMEDIATE RELATIVES.—Section 201(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(b)(2)(A)(i)) is amended—

(1) in the first sentence, by inserting "or the spouses and children of aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence," after "United States,";

(2) in the second sentence—

(A) by inserting "or lawful permanent resident" after "citizen" each place that term appears; and

(B) by inserting "or lawful permanent resident's" after "citizen's" each place that term appears;

(3) in the third sentence, by inserting "or the lawful permanent resident loses lawful permanent resident status" after "United States citizenship"; and

(4) by adding at the end the following: "A spouse or child, as defined in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), (D), or (E) of section 101(b)(1) shall be entitled to the same status, and the same order of consideration provided in the respective subsection, if accompanying or following to join the spouse or parent. The same treatment shall apply to parents of citizens of the United States being entitled to the same status, and the same order of consideration provided in the respective subsection, if accompanying or following to join their daughter or son."

(b) ALLOCATION OF IMMIGRANT VISAS.—Section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "23,400" and inserting "38,000";

(2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

"(2) UNMARRIED SONS AND UNMARRIED DAUGHTERS OF PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS.—Qualified immigrants who are the unmarried sons or unmarried daughters (but are not the children) of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence shall be allocated visas in a number not to exceed 60,000 plus the number (if any) by which such worldwide level exceeds 226,000, plus any visas not required for the class specified in paragraph (1).";

(3) in paragraph (3), by striking "23,400" and inserting "38,000"; and

(4) in paragraph (4), by striking "65,000" and inserting "90,000".

(c) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) RULES FOR DETERMINING WHETHER CERTAIN ALIENS ARE IMMEDIATE RELATIVES.—Section 201(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(f)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "paragraphs (2) and (3)," and inserting "paragraph (2).";

(B) by striking paragraph (2); and

(C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2).

(2) NUMERICAL LIMITATION TO ANY SINGLE FOREIGN STATE.—Section 202 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1152) is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)(4)—

(i) by striking subparagraphs (A) and (B);

(ii) by redesignating subparagraphs (C) and (D) as subparagraphs (A) and (B) respectively; and

(iii) in subparagraph (A), as so redesignated, by striking "section 203(a)(2)(B)" and inserting "section 203(a)(2)"; and

(B) in subsection (e), in the flush matter following paragraph (3), by striking "or as

limiting the number of visas that may be issued under section 203(a)(2)(A) pursuant to subsection (a)(4)(A)".

(3) ALLOCATION OF IMMIGRATION VISAS.—Section 203(h) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(h)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking "subsections (a)(2)(A) and (d)" and inserting "subsection (d)";

(ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking "becomes available for such alien (or, in the case of subsection (d), the date on which an immigrant visa number became available for the alien's parent)," and inserting "became available for the alien's parent,"; and

(iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking "applicable";

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking "The petition" and all that follows through the period and inserting "The petition described in this paragraph is a petition filed under section 204 for classification of the alien's parent under subsection (a), (b), or (c)."; and

(C) in paragraph (3), by striking "subsections (a)(2)(A) and (d)" and inserting "subsection (d)".

(4) PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING IMMIGRANT STATUS.—Section 204 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1154) is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)(1)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) in clause (iii)—

(aa) by inserting "or legal permanent resident" after "citizen" each place that term appears; and

(bb) in subclause (II)(aa)(CC)(bbb), by inserting "or legal permanent resident" after "citizenship";

(II) in clause (iv)—

(aa) by inserting "or legal permanent resident" after "citizen" each place that term appears; and

(bb) by inserting "or legal permanent resident" after "citizenship";

(III) in clause (v)(I), by inserting "or legal permanent resident"; and

(IV) in clause (vi)—

(aa) by inserting "or legal permanent resident status" after "renunciation of citizenship"; and

(bb) by inserting "or legal permanent resident" after "abuser's citizenship";

(ii) by striking subparagraph (B);

(iii) by redesignating subparagraphs (C) through (J) as subparagraphs (B) through (I), respectively;

(iv) in subparagraph (B), as so redesignated, by striking "subparagraph (A)(iii), (A)(iv), (B)(ii), or (B)(iii)" and inserting "clause (iii) or (iv) of subparagraph (A)"; and

(v) in subparagraph (I), as so redesignated—

(I) by striking "or clause (ii) or (iii) of subparagraph (B)"; and

(II) by striking "under subparagraphs (C) and (D)" and inserting "under subparagraphs (B) and (C)";

(B) by striking subsection (a)(2);

(C) in subsection (h), by striking "or a petition filed under subsection (a)(1)(B)(ii)"; and

(D) in subsection (j), by striking "subsection (a)(1)(D)" and inserting "subsection (a)(1)(C)".

SEC. 103. EXCEPTIONS.

Section 212(a)(9)(B)(iii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(9)(B)(iii)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(V) SPOUSES AND CHILDREN OF LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS OR CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES AND PARENTS OF UNITED STATES CITIZENS.—The provisions of this subparagraph or subparagraph (C)(i)(I) shall be waived for spouses and children of legal permanent residents or citizens of the United States as well