

By Mr. LOTT:

S. 1053. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to clarify when organizations described in section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 must register as political committees, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Rules and Administration; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 1054. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to specify the purposes for which funds provided under part A of title I may be used; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 1055. A bill to improve elementary and secondary education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 1056. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the City of Henderson, Nevada, certain Federal land located in the City, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. McCAIN (for himself and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 1057. A bill to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend that Act; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 1058. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide liability protections for volunteer practitioners at health centers under section 330 of such Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mr. SMITH, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. DODD, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S.J. Res. 19. A joint resolution calling upon the President to issue a proclamation recognizing the 30th anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act; 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. COLEMAN (for himself and Mr. DAYTON):

S. Res. 144. A resolution recognizing Tim Nelson and Hugh Sims for their bravery and their contributions in helping the Federal Bureau of Investigation detain Zacarias Moussaoui; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Con. Res. 34. A concurrent resolution urging the Government of the Republic of Albania to ensure that the parliamentary elections to be held on July 3, 2005, are conducted in accordance with international standards for free and fair elections; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 7

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 7, a bill to increase American jobs and economic growth by making permanent the individual income tax rate reductions, the reduction in the capital gains and dividend tax rates, and the

repeal of the estate, gift, and generation-skipping transfer taxes.

S. 21

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) were added as cosponsors of S. 21, a bill to provide for homeland security grant coordination and simplification, and for other purposes.

S. 174

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 174, a bill to improve the palliative and end-of-life care provided to children with life-threatening conditions, and for other purposes.

S. 185

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 185, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for the reduction of certain Survivor Benefit Plan annuities by the amount of dependency and indemnity compensation and to modify the effective date for paid-up coverage under the Survivor Benefit Plan.

S. 241

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) were added as co-sponsors of S. 241, a bill to amend section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that funds received as universal service contributions and the universal service support programs established pursuant to that section are not subject to certain provisions of title 31, United States Code, commonly known as the Antideficiency Act.

S. 382

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as co-sponsors of S. 382, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, and for other purposes.

S. 408

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 408, a bill to provide for programs and activities with respect to the prevention of underage drinking.

S. 424

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 424, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for arthritis research and public health, and for other purposes.

S. 438

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 438, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 467

At the request of Mr. DODD, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD) were added as cosponsors of S. 467, a bill to extend the applicability of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002.

S. 484

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were added as cosponsors of S. 484, 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. 495

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 495, a bill to impose sanctions against perpetrators of crimes against humanity in Darfur, Sudan, and for other purposes.

S. 518

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. TALENT) were added as cosponsors of S. 518, a bill to provide for the establishment of a controlled substance monitoring program in each State.

S. 603

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) were added as cosponsors of S. 603, 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. 619

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 619, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 639

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 639, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to reduce the age for receipt of military retired pay for non-regular service from 60 years of age to 55 years of age.

S. 676

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 676, a bill to provide for Project GRAD programs, and for other purposes.

S. 757

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin

(Mr. FEINGOLD) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) were added as cosponsors of S. 757, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to make grants for the development and operation of research centers regarding environmental factors that may be related to the etiology of breast cancer.

S. 765

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 765, a bill to preserve mathematics- and science-based industries in the United States.

S. 776

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 776, a bill to designate certain functions performed at flight service stations of the Federal Aviation Administration as inherently governmental functions, and for other purposes.

S. 807

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 807, 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. 842

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 842, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to establish an efficient system to enable employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, to provide for mandatory injunctions for unfair labor practices during organizing efforts, and for other purposes.

S. 858

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 858, a bill to reauthorize Nuclear Regulatory Commission user fees, and for other purposes.

S. 865

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 865, a bill to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to reauthorize the Price-Anderson provisions.

S. 902

At the request of Mr. MARTINEZ, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 902, a bill to amend the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act to

clarify the exemption for recreational vessel support employees, and for other purposes.

S. 991

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) were added as cosponsors of S. 991, a bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to limit the availability of benefits under an employer's nonqualified deferred compensation plans in the event that any of the employer's defined benefit pension plans are subjected to a distress or PBGC termination in connection with bankruptcy reorganization or a conversion to a cash balance plan, to provide appropriate funding restrictions in connection with the maintenance of non-qualified deferred compensation plans, and to provide for appropriate disclosure with respect to nonqualified deferred compensation plans.

S. 1018

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1018, a bill to provide that transit pass transportation fringe benefits be made available to all qualified Federal employees in the National Capital Region; to allow passenger carriers which are owned or leased by the Government to be used to transport Government employees between their place of employment and mass transit facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1031

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1031, a bill to enhance the reliability of the electric system.

S.J. RES. 17

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 17, a joint resolution honoring the life and legacy of Frederick William Augustus von Steuben and recognizing his contributions on the 275th anniversary of his birth.

S.J. RES. 18

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 18, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003.

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 18, supra.

S. RES. 140

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 140, a resolution expressing support for the historic meeting in Havana of the Assembly to

Promote the Civil Society in Cuba on May 20, 2005, as well as to all those courageous individuals who continue to advance liberty and democracy for the Cuban people.

At the request of Mr. MARTINEZ, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 140, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 619

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 619 proposed to H.R. 3, a bill to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. SANTORUM, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1049. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to provide grants to promote innovative outreach and enrollment under the medicaid and State children's health insurance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, today, Senator BINGAMAN and I introduced the "Covering Kids Act of 2005." This legislation provides \$100 million in funding to a host of entities including the States, local communities, schools, faith-based organizations, Indian tribes, safety net providers. The goal is to increase enrollment of eligible children in Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).

I believe that all Americans should have the security of lifelong, affordable access to health care, especially America's children. Programs like SCHIP help provide a critical safety net.

But, unfortunately, there are still too many families who are not aware of the coverage available to them, or face barriers to enrollment. In fact, over 5.6 million kids are eligible for Medicaid and SCHIP, but are not enrolled. The Covering Kids Act will help close that gap.

The legislation will fund innovative outreach and enrollment efforts to expand coverage among minority and underserved children, and to those living in rural areas. It will also give states additional flexibility to streamline enrollment in these programs, reducing administrative costs for the government and eliminating paperwork and hassles for families.

Covering children is the right thing to do. And by ensuring that children have access to preventive care, it is also one of the best ways of reducing long-term strain on America's health care system.

Since arriving in the Senate in 1995, I have advanced worked hard to expand