

S. 2555. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2633 11th Street in Rock Island, Illinois, as the "Lane Evans Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. ALLARD:

S. Res. 424. A resolution congratulating and commending the members of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams, and the United States Olympic Committee, for their success and inspired leadership; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Mr. SARBANES):

S. Res. 425. A resolution to commend the University of Maryland women's basketball team for winning the 2006 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I National Basketball Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. Res. 426. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BOND, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. CHAFEE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. VITTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. REID):

S. Res. 427. A resolution commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Interstate System; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Mr. KOHL):

S. Res. 428. A resolution congratulating the University of Wisconsin men's cross country team for winning the 2005 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Cross Country Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Mr. KOHL):

S. Res. 429. A resolution congratulating the University of Wisconsin women's hockey team for winning the 2006 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Hockey Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. MARTINEZ):

S. Res. 430. A resolution commending the University of Florida men's basketball team for winning the 2006 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Basketball Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. CHAFEE, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BYRD, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. REED, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. DODD, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 431. A resolution designating May 11, 2006, as "Endangered Species Day", and encouraging the people of the United States to become educated about, and aware of, threats to species, success stories in species recovery, and the opportunity to promote species conservation worldwide; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FRIST:

S. Res. 432. A resolution to authorize testimony of a Member of the Senate in *E.M. Gunderson v. Neil G. Galatz*; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. ENSIGN, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. Res. 433. A resolution honoring The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the 140 years of service that it has provided to the citizens of the United States and their animals; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. LANDBRIEU, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Con. Res. 86. A concurrent resolution directing the Architect of the Capitol to establish a temporary exhibit in the rotunda of the Capitol to honor the memory of the members of the United States Armed Forces who have lost their lives in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself and Mr. SMITH):

S. Con. Res. 87. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that United States intellectual property rights must be protected globally; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 440

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 440, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to include podiatrists as physicians for purposes of covering physicians services under the medicaid program.

S. 633

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 633, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became disabled for life while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. 663

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 663, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow self-employed individuals to deduct health insurance costs in computing self-employment taxes.

S. 841

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 841, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 886

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 886, a bill to eliminate the annual operating deficit and maintenance backlog in the national parks, and for other purposes.

S. 1370

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Delaware

(Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1370, a bill to provide for the protection of the flag of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1691

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1691, a bill to amend selected statutes to clarify existing Federal law as to the treatment of students privately educated at home under State law.

S. 1912

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1912, a bill to establish a global network for avian influenza surveillance among wild birds nationally and internationally to combat the growing threat of bird flu, and for other purposes.

S. 1934

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1934, a bill to reauthorize the grant program of the Department of Justice for reentry of offenders into the community, to establish a task force on Federal programs and activities relating to the reentry of offenders into the community, and for other purposes.

S. 1948

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1948, a bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue regulations to reduce the incidence of child injury and death occurring inside or outside of passenger motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

S. 1955

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1955, a bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Security Act of 1974 and the Public Health Service Act to expand health care access and reduce costs through the creation of small business health plans and through modernization of the health insurance marketplace.

S. 2140

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2140, a bill to enhance protection of children from sexual exploitation by strengthening section 2257 of title 18, United States Code, requiring producers of sexually explicit material to keep and permit inspection of records regarding the age of performers, and for other purposes.

S. 2185

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2185, a bill to amend part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to provide full Federal funding of such part.

S. 2200

At the request of Mr. FRIST, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2200, a bill to establish a United States-Poland parliamentary youth exchange program, and for other purposes.

S. 2250

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2250, a bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Norman E. Borlaug.

S. 2322

At the request of Mr. THUNE, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2322, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly.

S. 2361

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) were added as cosponsors of S. 2361, a bill to improve Federal contracting and procurement by eliminating fraud and abuse and improving competition in contracting and procurement and by enhancing administration of Federal contracting personnel, and for other purposes.

S. 2370

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2370, a bill to promote the development of democratic institutions in areas under the administrative control of the Palestinian Authority, and for other purposes.

S. 2467

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2467, a bill to enhance and improve the trade relations of the United States by strengthening United States trade enforcement efforts and encouraging United States trading partners to adhere to the rules and norms of international trade, and for other purposes.

S. 2493

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2493, a bill to provide for disclosure of fire safety standards and measures with respect to campus buildings, and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 71

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 71, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that States should require candidates for driver's licenses to demonstrate an ability to exercise greatly increased caution when driving in the proximity of a potentially visually impaired individual.

S. CON. RES. 84

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr.

COBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 84, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding a free trade agreement between the United States and Taiwan.

S. RES. 313

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) and the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 313, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that a National Methamphetamine Prevention Week should be established to increase awareness of methamphetamine and to educate the public on ways to help prevent the use of that damaging narcotic.

AMENDMENT NO. 3214

At the request of Mr. FRIST, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3214 proposed to S. 2454, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for comprehensive reform and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3225

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 3225 intended to be proposed to S. 2454, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for comprehensive reform and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 3232

At the request of Mr. CHAMBLISS, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3232 intended to be proposed to S. 2454, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for comprehensive reform and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2508. A bill to authorize grants to carry out projects to provide education on preventing teen pregnancies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, as we approach May, the National Month to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, I rise to introduce the Teen Pregnancy Prevention, Responsibility and Opportunity Act. This legislation will establish a comprehensive program for reducing adolescent pregnancy through education and information programs, as well as positive activities and role models both in and out of school.

As parents, there is nothing more important than protecting our children and giving them a future filled with hope and opportunity. As leaders, we also have a responsibility to our young people—to provide resources for communities, parents, and children to help them achieve those goals. There are many ways we can provide parents

with the tools they need to help kids make responsible decisions and avoid destructive behavior such as drug and alcohol abuse or sexual activity which can lead to unintended pregnancies.

The U.S. continues to have the highest teen pregnancy rate and teen birth rate in the Western industrialized world. In a fiscal context, it costs the U.S. at least \$7 billion annually, and in a human context, this impacts one third of all teenage girls. It is time to do something about it.

While we have done a good job of progressively decreasing teen pregnancy, we can do much better.

With the sons of teen mothers more likely to end up in prison, and the daughters of teen mothers more likely to end up teen mothers themselves, we must act now to break this problematic cycle.

Our schools, community and faith-based organizations need access to funds to teach age-appropriate, factually and medically accurate, and scientifically-based family life education.

We need programs that encourage teens to delay sexual activity.

We need to provide services and interventions for sexually active teens.

We need to educate both young men and women about the responsibilities and pressures that come along with parenting.

We need to help parents communicate with teens about sexuality.

We need to teach young people responsible decision making.

And, we need to fund after school programs that will enrich their education, replace destructive behavior time with constructive activities, and offer character and counseling services.

We know that after-school programs reduce risky adolescent behavior by involving teens in positive activities that also provide positive life skills. Teenage girls who play sports, for instance, are more likely to wait to become sexually active, and to have fewer partners. They are consequently less likely to become pregnant.

Let us join together to recommit ourselves to continuing to decrease the incidence of teen pregnancy, and recommit ourselves to offering family life education and positive after school programs that will foster responsible young adults.

The time is now to invest in our teens. As all parents know, we place overwhelming pressure on ourselves to make sure we raise our children well. Decisions we make—and they make—will affect them for the rest of their lives. We cannot afford to let the doors close on them. Instead we must continue to open the door of opportunity. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this important legislation.

I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

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