

should it occur; and requires companies subject to financial assurance requirements to report declarations of bankruptcy directly to the EPA with an estimation of environmental damage and an explanation of current and former owners or partners of the facility.

These measures will go a long way toward closing these costly loopholes in our bankruptcy code and protecting tax payers from unjust corporate maneuvering to evade cleanup responsibility at polluted sites.

Communities across the country continue to bear the burden of Asarco's irresponsible behavior. The GAO report confirms that this abuse is not specific to Asarco but is increasingly widespread. It will take many more years to clean up the mess that a few bad actors have left behind. We can't afford to stand by and allow another Asarco to happen. We must not ask the tax-payers to continue footing the bill for others' reckless actions. I look forward to working with my congressional colleagues to enact these protections into law.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 512—CELEBRATING THE 231ST BIRTHDAY OF THE ARMY AND COMMENDING THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE ARMY AS EXCEPTIONAL INDIVIDUALS WHO LIVE BY THE VALUES OF LOYALTY, DUTY, AND SELFLESS SERVICE

Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. McCAIN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. KOHL, and Mr. KENNEDY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 512

Whereas, from the first Continental Army under General Washington to the beaches of Normandy and the city streets of Iraq, the Army has protected the flame of democracy;

Whereas the citizens of the United States continue to enjoy freedom and spread the light of democracy because the men and women of the Army have stood through adversity, remained steadfast in the most difficult of circumstances, and bravely fought against the enemies of peace throughout the world;

Whereas the sacrifices of those men and women of the Army have called all citizens of the United States, both public and private, to the highest forms of citizenship;

Whereas the Army maintains its presence in 120 countries across the world, including Saudi Arabia, Korea, and Kosovo;

Whereas the accomplishments of the Army in the Global War on Terror have demonstrated the courage and strength of the men and women of the Army;

Whereas, in Iraq, the Army has brought freedom to a population once under tyrannical control, allowing the citizens of Iraq to enjoy the recent election of officials, the formation of a constitution, and the formation of the government under Prime Minister al-Maliki;

Whereas the men and women of the Army continued to provide stability and security to Iraqis by killing Abu Musab al-Zarqawi,

who was commonly known among terrorists as the "prince of al-Qaeda";

Whereas Iraq has become a better place and a great ally, which was evident when the ambassador of Iraq presented his credentials to the Secretary of State for the first time in 15 years; and

Whereas those great accomplishments add to the longstanding tradition of the Army and attest to the extraordinary capability of the men and women who serve the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) salutes the men and women of the Army;

(2) commends the men and women of the Army as exceptional individuals who live by the values of loyalty, duty, and selfless service; and

(3) recognizes that those great citizens—

(A) are the reason why the Army continues to stand as the best military force in the world; and

(B) continue to perform amazing tasks and uphold the honored traditions of the Army by adhering to the principle expressed by General Douglas MacArthur when he proudly declared that "Americans never quit."

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 101—CONDEMNING THE REPRESSION OF THE IRANIAN BAHAI' COMMUNITY AND CALLING FOR THE EMANCIPATION OF IRANIAN BAHAI'S

Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. SARBANES) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. CON. RES. 101

Whereas in 1982, 1984, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, and 2000, Congress, by concurrent resolution, declared that it deplores the religious persecution by the Government of Iran of the Baha'i community and holds the Government of Iran responsible for upholding the rights of all Iranian nationals, including members of the Baha'i Faith;

Whereas on March 20, 2006, the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief, Ms. Asma Jahangir, revealed the existence of a confidential letter dated October 29, 2005, from the Chairman of the Command Headquarters of Iran's Armed Forces to the Ministry of Information, the Revolutionary Guard, and the Police Force, stating that the Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Khamenei, had instructed the Command Headquarters to identify members of the Baha'i Faith in Iran and monitor their activities;

Whereas the United Nations Special Rapporteur expressed "grave concern and apprehension" about the implications of this letter for the safety of the Baha'i community;

Whereas in 2005 the Iranian Government initiated a new wave of assaults, homes raids, harassment, and detentions against Baha'i's, and in December 2005, Mr. Zabihullah Mahrami died after 10 years of imprisonment on charges of apostasy due to his membership in the Baha'i Faith; and

Whereas beginning in October 2005, an anti-Baha'i campaign has been conducted in the state-sponsored Kayhan newspaper and in broadcast media: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—

(1) condemns the Government of Iran for the October 29, 2005 letter, calls on the Government of Iran to immediately cease such

activities and all activities aimed at the repression of the Iranian Baha'i community, and continues to hold the Government of Iran responsible for upholding all the rights of its nationals, including members of the Baha'i community; and

(2) requests the President to—

(A) call for the Government of Iran to emancipate the Baha'i community by granting those rights guaranteed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other international covenants on human rights;

(B) emphasize that the United States regards the human rights practices of the Government of Iran, including its treatment of the Baha'i community and other religious minorities, as a significant factor in the foreign policy of the United States Government regarding Iran; and

(C) initiate an active and consistent dialogue with other governments and the European Union in order to persuade the Government of Iran to rectify its human rights practices.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4221. Mr. BINGAMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4222. Mr. BINGAMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4223. Mr. BINGAMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4224. Mr. OBAMA (for himself and Ms. SNOWE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4225. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4226. Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mr. KERRY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4227. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4228. Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4229. Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. TALENT) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4230. Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. NELSON, of Florida, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REID, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mrs. CLINTON) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, supra.

SA 4231. Mr. DEWINE (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4232. Mr. DEWINE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the

bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4233. Mr. DEWINE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4234. Mr. SANTORUM (for himself and Mr. CORNYN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, *supra*.

SA 4235. Mr. ALLARD (for himself and Mr. SALAZAR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4236. Mr. LUGAR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4237. Mr. MARTINEZ (for himself and Mr. NELSON, of Florida) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, *supra*.

SA 4238. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4239. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4240. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4241. Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BYRD, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. REED, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. TALENT, Mr. NELSON, of Florida, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. NELSON, of Nebraska, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. DAYTON, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. BAYH, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. THUNE, Mr. ALLARD, and Mr. ALLEN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, *supra*.

SA 4242. Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BYRD, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. REID, Mr. STEVENS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. INOUE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. DODD, and Mr. BURNS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, *supra*.

SA 4243. Mr. BIDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4244. Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. CARPER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4245. Mr. ENSIGN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4246. Mr. ENSIGN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4247. Mr. ENSIGN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4248. Ms. MURKOWSKI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4249. Mr. DOMENICI (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4250. Mr. DOMENICI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4251. Mr. DOMENICI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him

to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4252. Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SPECTER, and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, *supra*; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4221. Mr. BINGAMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle F of title III, add the following:

SEC. 375. REDUCTION IN PETROLEUM CONSUMPTION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE VEHICLE FLEET.

(a) **REDUCTION REQUIRED.**—The Secretary of Defense shall take appropriate actions to ensure that the amount of petroleum consumed in fiscal year 2009 by the vehicle fleets of the Department of Defense that are subject to the provisions of section 400AA of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6374) is at least 10 percent less than the amount of petroleum consumed in fiscal year 2005 by such vehicle fleets.

(b) **ACHIEVEMENT OF REDUCTION.**—The Secretary may achieve the reduction required by subsection (a) by any mechanism as follows:

- (1) Through the use of alternative fuels.
- (2) Through the acquisition of vehicles with better fuel economy, including hybrid vehicles.
- (3) Through the substitution of cars for light trucks.
- (4) Through an increase in vehicle load factors.
- (5) Through a decrease in vehicle miles traveled.
- (6) Through a decrease in fleet size.
- (7) Through any other mechanism that the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) **PILOT PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED.**—The Secretary may carry out one or more pilot programs to assess the feasibility and advisability of utilizing any mechanism specified in subsection (b), and any other mechanism, to achieve the reduction required by subsection (a).

(d) **REPORTS.**—Not later than December 31 of each of 2007, 2008, and 2009, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the actions taken during the preceding fiscal year to meet the reduction required by subsection (a). Each report shall, for the fiscal year covered by such report, set forth the following:

- (1) A description of the actions taken.
- (2) An assessment of the effectiveness of such actions in meeting the reduction.
- (3) An assessment of the progress of the Department toward meeting the reduction.

SA 4222. Mr. BINGAMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year

for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle F of title III, add the following:

SEC. 375. UTILIZATION OF FUEL CELLS AS BACK-UP POWER SYSTEMS IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OPERATIONS.

The Secretary of Defense shall consider the utilization of fuel cells as replacements for current back-up power systems in a variety of Department of Defense operations and activities, including in telecommunications networks, perimeter security, and remote facilities, in order to increase the operational longevity of back-up power systems and stand-by power systems in such operations and activities.

SA 4223. Mr. BINGAMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle D of title III, add the following:

SEC. 352. REPORT ON MECHANISMS TO REDUCE PETROLEUM CONSUMPTION IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OPERATIONS.

(a) **REPORT REQUIRED.**—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report on actions (whether or not currently authorized by law) to be taken to achieve reductions in petroleum consumption in the operations and activities of the Department of Defense, including in the operation of military vehicles, vessels, and aircraft.

(b) **ACTIONS REQUIRING ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY.**—In the event an action set forth in the report required by subsection (a) cannot be taken without additional authority in law, the report shall include such recommendations for legislative action as the Secretary considers appropriate to provide adequate authority for such action.

SA 4224. Mr. OBAMA (for himself and Ms. SNOWE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 267, beginning on line 24, insert after “mental health” the following: “(including Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI))”.

On page 268, line 13, insert “(including Traumatic Brain Injury)” after “mental health”.

SA 4225. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year