

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

S. 2051

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

SECTION 1. INTEREST RATE EXTENSION.

Section 455(b)(7)(D) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087e(b)(7)(D)) is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “and before July 1, 2012,”; and

(2) in clause (v), by striking “and before July 1, 2012,”.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 359—COM-MENDING ALAN S. FRUMIN ON HIS SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES SENATE

Mr. REID of Nevada (for himself and Mr. McCONNELL) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 359

Whereas Alan S. Frumin, a native of New Rochelle, New York and graduate of Colgate University and Georgetown University Law Center, began his long career with the Congress in the House of Representatives precedents writing office in April of 1974;

Whereas Alan S. Frumin began work with the Secretary of the Senate's Office of the Senate Parliamentarian on January 1, 1977, serving under eight Majority Leaders;

Whereas Alan S. Frumin served the Senate as its Parliamentarian from 1987 to 1995 and from 2001 to 2012 and has been Parliamentarian Emeritus since 1997;

Whereas Alan S. Frumin revised the Senate's book on procedure, “Riddick's Senate Procedure” and is the only sitting Parliamentarian to have published a compilation of the body's work;

Whereas Alan S. Frumin has shown tremendous dedication to the Senate during his 35 years of service;

Whereas Alan S. Frumin has earned the respect and affection of the Senators, their staffs and all of his colleagues for his extensive knowledge of all matters relating to the Senate, his fairness and thoughtfulness;

Whereas Alan S. Frumin now retires from the Senate after 35 years to spend more time with his wife, Jill, and his daughter, Allie; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate expresses its appreciation to Alan S. Frumin and commends him for his lengthy, faithful and outstanding service to the Senate.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Alan S. Frumin.

SENATE RESOLUTION 360—RAISING AWARENESS AND ENCOURAGING PREVENTION OF STALKING BY DESIGNATING JANUARY 2012 AS “NATIONAL STALKING AWARENESS MONTH”

Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. FRANKEN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 360

Whereas 1 in 6, or 19,200,000, women in the United States have at some point during

their lifetime experienced stalking victimization, during which they felt very fearful or believed that they or someone close to them would be harmed or killed;

Whereas, during a 1-year period, an estimated 3,400,000 persons in the United States reported that they had been victims of stalking, and 75 percent of those victims reported that they had been stalked by someone they knew;

Whereas 11 percent of victims reported having been stalked for more than 5 years, and 23 percent of victims reported having been stalked almost every day;

Whereas 1 in 4 victims reported that stalkers had used email, instant messaging, blogs, bulletin boards, Internet sites, chat rooms, or other forms of electronic monitoring against them, and 1 in 13 victims reported that stalkers had used electronic devices to monitor them;

Whereas stalking victims are forced to take drastic measures to protect themselves, including changing identity, relocating, changing jobs, and obtaining protection orders;

Whereas 1 in 7 victims reported having relocated in an effort to escape a stalker;

Whereas approximately 1 in 8 employed victims of stalking missed work because they feared for their safety or were taking steps to protect themselves, such as by seeking a restraining order;

Whereas less than 50 percent of victims reported stalking to police, and only 7 percent of victims contacted a victim service provider, shelter, or hotline;

Whereas stalking is a crime under Federal law and under the laws of all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the territories of the United States;

Whereas stalking affects victims of every race, age, culture, gender, sexual orientation, physical and mental ability, and economic status;

Whereas national organizations, local victim service organizations, campuses, prosecutor's offices, and police departments stand ready to assist stalking victims and are working diligently to develop effective and innovative responses to stalking;

Whereas there is a need to improve the response of the criminal justice system to stalking through more aggressive investigation and prosecution;

Whereas there is a need for increased availability of victim services across the United States, and such services must include programs tailored to meet the needs of stalking victims;

Whereas persons aged 18 to 24 experience the highest rates of stalking victimization, and rates of stalking among college students exceed the prevalence rates found in the general population;

Whereas as many as 75 percent of women in college who experience stalking-related behavior experience other forms of victimization, including sexual or physical victimization, or both;

Whereas there is a need for effective responses to stalking on campuses; and

Whereas the Senate finds that “National Stalking Awareness Month” provides an opportunity to educate the people of the United States about stalking: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates January 2012 as “National Stalking Awareness Month”;

(2) applauds the efforts of the many stalking victim service providers, police, prosecutors, national and community organizations, campuses, and private sector supporters to promote awareness of stalking;

(3) encourages policymakers, criminal justice officials, victim service and human service agencies, college campuses and univer-

sities, and nonprofit organizations to increase awareness of stalking and the availability of services for stalking victims; and

(4) urges national and community organizations, businesses in the private sector, and the media to promote awareness of the crime of stalking through “National Stalking Awareness Month”.

SENATE RESOLUTION 361—CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE FOOTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2011 BOWL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. SHELBY (for himself and Mr. SESSIONS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 361

Whereas the University of Alabama Crimson Tide football team won the 2012 Allstate Bowl Championship Series (referred to in this preamble as “BCS”) National Championship Game, defeating Louisiana State University by a score of 21–0 in the Mercedes-Benz Superdome in New Orleans on January 9, 2012;

Whereas this victory marks the second BCS title in the last 3 years and the 14th national championship in college football for the University of Alabama;

Whereas the victory by the University of Alabama was the first shutout in any BCS bowl game since the system was created in 1998 and the first shutout in the championship game since the 1992 Orange Bowl;

Whereas the 2012 BCS National Championship Game was the 59th postseason bowl appearance and the 33rd bowl victory for the University of Alabama, both of which extend existing NCAA records for the University of Alabama;

Whereas the victory by the University of Alabama marks the sixth consecutive BCS national championship for the Southeastern Conference and the third consecutive BCS national championship for the State of Alabama;

Whereas the University of Alabama gained 384 yards of total offense in the BCS National Championship Game, while holding the offense of Louisiana State University to 5 first downs and 92 total yards, the second lowest yards of total offense in BCS history;

Whereas A.J. McCarron completed 23 of 34 passes for a total of 234 yards without a turnover and was named offensive player of the game;

Whereas senior linebacker Courtney Upshaw recorded 7 tackles, including 1 sack, and was named defensive player of the game;

Whereas Trent Richardson, winner of the Doak Walker Award, finished with 20 carries for 96 yards and 107 all-purpose yards and scored the only touchdown of the game;

Whereas Jeremy Shelley successfully completed 5 field goal attempts, setting a BCS National Championship Game record and tying an NCAA bowl record;

Whereas in 2011, the defense of the University of Alabama led the nation in rushing defense, passing defense, scoring defense, and total defense;

Whereas 4 members of the Crimson Tide football team were recognized as first-team All Americans by the Associated Press;

Whereas the 2011 Crimson Tide senior class compiled a 48–6 record, tying a Southeastern Conference record for class victories;

Whereas the leadership of head coach Nick Saban, whose dedication and commitment to excellence instilled in his players a sense of

integrity, pride, sportsmanship, and perseverance, inspired both his team throughout the season and the Tuscaloosa community following the devastating losses in the April tornadoes;

Whereas President Robert Witt and Athletic Director Mal Moore have brought tremendous academic success and national recognition to the University of Alabama athletic department and the entire university; and

Whereas the players, coaches, and support staff of the University of Alabama football team showed tremendous determination throughout the season and brought great honor to the University of Alabama and the State of Alabama: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commends the University of Alabama for winning the 2011 Bowl Championship Series National Championship;

(2) recognizes the achievements of all the players, coaches, and staff whose hard work, dedication, and persistence helped the Crimson Tide win a national championship; and

(3) requests the Secretary of the Senate to prepare an official copy of this resolution for presentation to—

(A) the President of the University of Alabama, Dr. Robert Witt;

(B) the Athletic Director of the University of Alabama, Mal Moore; and

(C) the Head Coach of the University of Alabama Crimson Tide football team, Nick Saban.

SENATE RESOLUTION 362—DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2012 AS “NATIONAL TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH”

Mr. CRAPO (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 362

Whereas, although dating violence, domestic violence, sexual violence, and stalking affect women regardless of age, teenage girls and young women are especially vulnerable;

Whereas, according to the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence survey recently conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (referred to in this preamble as the “CDC”), the majority of victimization starts early in life, as most victims of rape and intimate partner violence first experience such violence before age 24;

Whereas, according to the Liz Claiborne Inc. 2009 Parent/Teen Dating Violence Poll, approximately 1 in 3 adolescent girls in the United States is a victim of physical, emotional, or verbal abuse from a dating partner, a rate that far exceeds victimization rates for other types of violence affecting young people;

Whereas, according to the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (referred to in this preamble as the “YRBSS”) of the CDC, nearly 10 percent of high school students have been hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by a boyfriend or girlfriend during the past year;

Whereas, according to the American Journal of Public Health, more than 1 in 4 teenagers have been in a relationship where a partner is verbally abusive;

Whereas, according to a survey conducted by the YRBSS, almost 20 percent of teenage girls who were exposed to physical dating violence did not attend school on 1 or more occasions during the 30 days preceding the survey because the girls felt unsafe at school or on the way to or from school;

Whereas a violent relationship in adolescence can have serious ramifications for the victim, putting the victim at higher risk for substance abuse, eating disorders, risky sexual behavior, suicide, and adult revictimization;

Whereas being physically or sexually abused makes teenage girls—

(1) up to 6 times more likely to become pregnant; and

(2) more than twice as likely to contract a sexually transmitted disease;

Whereas, according to a recent study published in the Archives of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, more than half of teenagers and young adults treated at an inner-city emergency room reported having been a victim or perpetrator of dating violence;

Whereas nearly 3 in 4 “teens”, individuals who are between the ages of 11 and 14, report that dating relationships usually begin at age 14 or younger, and approximately 72 percent of students in eighth or ninth grade report dating;

Whereas 1 in 5 teens report having a friend who is a victim of dating violence, and nearly half of teens who are in relationships know a friend who is verbally abused;

Whereas more than 3 times as many teens (20 percent) as parents of teens (6 percent) admit that parents know little or nothing about the dating relationships of teens;

Whereas, according to the Liz Claiborne Inc. 2009 Parent/Teen Dating Violence Poll, although 82 percent of parents are confident that they could recognize the signs that their child was experiencing dating abuse, a majority of parents, or 58 percent, could not correctly identify all the warning signs of dating abuse;

Whereas 74 percent of teenage boys and 66 percent of teenage girls say they have not had a conversation with a parent about dating abuse in the past year;

Whereas, according to a National Crime Prevention Council survey, 43 percent of middle and high school students reported experiencing cyberbullying during the past year;

Whereas 1 in 4 teens in a relationship report having been called names, harassed, or put down by a partner through the use of a cell phone, including through texting;

Whereas 3 in 10 young people have sexted, and 61 percent of young people who have sexted report being pressured to do so at least once;

Whereas, according to the Liz Claiborne Inc. 2010 College Dating Violence and Abuse Poll, 43 percent of college women who date report experiencing violent and abusive dating behavior;

Whereas 70 percent of college students who experienced relationship abuse failed to realize that they were in an abusive relationship at the time, and 60 percent of college students who were in an abusive relationship said that no one stepped in to help them;

Whereas the severity of violence among intimate partners has been shown to be greater in cases where a pattern of violence was established during adolescence;

Whereas primary prevention programs are a key part of addressing teen dating violence, and successful examples of such programs include education, community outreach, and social marketing campaigns that are culturally appropriate;

Whereas educating middle school students and the parents of those students about the importance of building healthy relationships and preventing teen dating violence is key to deterring dating abuse before it begins;

Whereas skilled assessment and intervention programs are also necessary for young victims and abusers; and

Whereas the establishment of National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month will benefit schools, communities, and families regardless of socioeconomic status, race, or sex: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates the month of February 2012 as “National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month”;

(2) supports communities that are empowering teenagers to develop healthier relationships throughout their lives; and

(3) calls upon the people of the United States, including young people, parents, schools, law enforcement officials, State and local officials, and interested groups to observe National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month with appropriate programs and activities that promote awareness and prevention of teen dating violence in their communities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 363—CONGRATULATING THE PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY GORILLAS FOOTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2011 NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 363

Whereas the Pittsburg State University Gorillas football team defeated the Wayne State University Warriors by a score of 35 to 21 to win the 2011 NCAA Division II Football Championship in Florence, Alabama on December 17, 2011;

Whereas Pittsburg State University has more all-time wins than any other NCAA Division II football program and this championship victory, the 4th in the history of the university, continues a long tradition of success;

Whereas the Pittsburg State University coaching staff, led by second-year Head Coach Tim Beck, the 2011 Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year Award winner for Division II, guided the Gorillas to a final regular season record of 13 wins and 1 loss;

Whereas the Gorillas benefitted from strong leadership in the championship game, including senior quarterback and Pittsburg, Kansas native Zac Dickey, who passed for 190 yards and rushed for 68 yards; and

Whereas the students, staff, alumni, and friends of Pittsburg State University, along with the city of Pittsburg, Kansas, deserve much credit for supporting the Gorillas football team: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Pittsburg State University Gorillas football team for winning the 2011 NCAA Division II Football Championship; and

(2) recognizes the achievements of all the players, coaches, and support staff of the Pittsburg State University Gorillas football team.

SENATE RESOLUTION 364—RECOGNIZING THE GOALS OF NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK AND HONORING THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES

Mr. VITTER (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. JOHANNIS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to: