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S. RES. 262

Condemning the statements of former Education Secretary William J. Bennett.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 30, 2005

Mr. Lautenberg (for himself, Mr. Reid, Mr. Corzine, Ms. Mikulski, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Schumer) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Condemning the statements of former Education Secretary William J. Bennett.

- Whereas William J. Bennett served as chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities from 1981 to 1985;
- Whereas William J. Bennett served as Secretary of Education from 1985 to 1988;
- Whereas William J. Bennett served as Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy from 1989 to 1990; and
- Whereas on September 28, 2005, William J. Bennett stated the following on Salem Radio Network's Bill Bennett's Morning in America: "[I] do know that it's true that if you wanted to reduce crime, you could—if that were your sole purpose, you could abort every black baby in this

country, and your crime rate would go down. That would be an impossible, ridiculous, and morally reprehensible thing to do, but your crime rate would go down.": Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved,
- 2 Section 1. That the Senate strongly condemns Wil-
- 3 liam J. Bennett's reprehensible statements of September
- 4 28, 2005.
- 5 Sec. 2. That the Senate believes that such state-
- 6 ments are unbecoming of a former Cabinet Secretary.

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