

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND
JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

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

S. 3963. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for improved access to cost-effective, quality physical medicine and rehabilitation services under part B of the Medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LOTT:

S. 3964. A bill to provide for the issuance of a commemorative postage stamp in honor of Senator Blanche Kelso Bruce; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3965. A bill to address the serious health care access barriers, and consequently higher incidences of disease, for low-income, uninsured populations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3966. A bill to provide assistance to State and nongovernmental entities to initiate public awareness and outreach campaigns to reduce teenage pregnancies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 3967. A bill to require the International Trade Commission to report on the specific impact of each free trade agreement in force with respect to the United States on a sector-by-sector basis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 3968. A bill to affirm the authority of the Comptroller General to audit and evaluate the programs, activities, and financial transactions of the intelligence community, and for other purposes; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

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

S. 3969. A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to assess and reduce the levels of lead found in child-occupied facilities in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ALLEN:

S. 3970. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to direct the President to establish an energy security working group; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. LOTT, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. 3971. A bill to hold the current regime in Iran accountable for its threatening behavior and to support a transition to democracy in Iran; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BURR, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3972. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to reduce funding shortfalls for the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. DOLE, and Mr. BOND):

S. 3973. A bill to ensure local governments have the flexibility needed to enhance deci-

sion-making regarding certain mass transit projects; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BUNNING (for himself and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 3974. A bill to permit a special amortization deduction for intangible assets acquired from eligible small businesses to take account of the actual economic useful life of such assets and to encourage growth in industries for which intangible assets are an important source of revenue; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 3975. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to promote positive health behaviors in women and children; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ALLEN (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 3976. A bill to provide a mechanism for the determination on the merits of the claims of claimants who met the class criteria in a civil action relating to racial discrimination by the Department of Agriculture but who were denied that determination; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. OBAMA):

S. 3977. A bill to provide a Federal income tax credit for Patriot employers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 3978. A bill to provide consumer protections for lost or stolen check cards and debit cards similar to those provided with respect to credit cards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3979. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the North Country National Scenic Trail; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. REED, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3980. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Secretary of Education, to develop a policy for managing the risk of food allergy and anaphylaxis in schools, to establish school-based food allergy management grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 3981. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish requirements for certain petitions submitted to the Food and Drug Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 3982. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide assured compensation for first responders injured by experimental vaccines and drugs; read the first time.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 3983. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide assured compensation for first responders injured by experimental vaccines and drugs and to indemnify manufacturers and health care professional for the administration of medical products needed for biodefense; read the first time.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 3984. A bill to improve programs for the identification and treatment of post-deployment mental health conditions, including post-traumatic stress disorder, in veterans

and members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3985. A bill to promote the recovery of oil and gas revenues on the Outer Continental Shelf, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ALLARD:

S. 3986. A bill to designate as wilderness certain land within the Rocky Mountain National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

S. 3987. A bill to amend the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act to improve the compensation system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 3988. A bill to amend title 10 and 38, United States Code, to improve benefits and services for members of the Armed Forces, veterans of the Global War on Terrorism, and other veterans, to require reports on the effects of the Global War on Terrorism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. 3989. A bill to establish a Homeland Security and Neighborhood Safety Trust Fund and refocus Federal priorities toward securing the Homeland, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. COLEMAN (for himself and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 3990. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 Oak Street in Farmington, Minnesota, as the "Hamilton H. Judson Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BURNS, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. INOUE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. REID):

S. 3991. A bill to provide emergency agricultural disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. BUNNING:

S. 3992. A bill to amend the Exchange Rates and International Economic Policy Coordination Act of 1998 to clarify the definition of manipulation with respect to currency, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. MARTINEZ:

S. 3993. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for aiming laser pointers at airplanes, and for other purposes; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND
SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. Res. 589. A resolution commending New York State Senator John J. Marchi on his 50 years in the New York State Senate and on becoming the longest serving state legislator in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. Res. 590. A resolution designating the second Sunday in December 2006, as "National Children's Memorial Day" in conjunction with The Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 484

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) was added as a cosponsor 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. 908

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 908, a bill to allow Congress, State legislatures, and regulatory agencies to determine appropriate laws, rules, and regulations to address the problems of weight gain, obesity, and health conditions associated with weight gain or obesity.

S. 911

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 911, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for reimbursement of certified midwife services and to provide for more equitable reimbursement rates for certified nurse-midwife services.

S. 1082

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1082, a bill to restore Second Amendment rights in the District of Columbia.

S. 1172

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1172, a bill to provide for programs to increase the awareness and knowledge of women and health care providers with respect to gynecologic cancers.

S. 1173

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1173, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure the right of employees to a secret-ballot election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board.

S. 1687

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1687, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide waivers relating to grants for preventive health measures with respect to breast and cervical cancers.

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1687, *supra*.

S. 1911

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1911, a bill to provide for the protection of the flag of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1915

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. MARTINEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1915, a bill to amend the Horse Protection Act to prohibit the shipping, transporting, moving, delivering, receiving, possessing, purchasing, selling, or donation of horses and other equines to be slaughtered for human consumption, and for other purposes.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend the Social Security Act to enhance the Social Security of the Nation by ensuring adequate public-private infrastructure and to resolve to prevent, detect, treat, intervene in, and prosecute elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, and for other purposes.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to modernize the manufactured housing loan insurance program under title I of the National Housing Act.

S. 2395

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2395, a bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to require that air carriers accept as mail shipments certain live animals.

S. 2506

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2506, a bill to require Federal agencies to support health impact assessments and take other actions to improve health and the environmental quality of communities, and for other purposes.

S. 2824

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2824, a bill to reduce the burdens of the implementation of section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

S. 3128

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3128, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for uniform food safety warning notification requirements, and for other purposes.

S. 3508

At the request of Mr. SUNUNU, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3508, a bill to authorize the Moving to Work Charter program to enable

public housing agencies to improve the effectiveness of Federal housing assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 3516

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3516, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permanently extend the floor on the Medicare work geographic adjustment under the fee schedule for physicians' services.

S. 3523

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3523, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the Tax Court may review claims for equitable innocent spouse relief and to suspend the running on the period of limitations while such claims are pending.

S. 3677

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3677, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to eliminate the in the home restriction for Medicare coverage of mobility devices for individuals with expected long-term needs.

S. 3678

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3678, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to public health security and all-hazards preparedness and response, and for other purposes.

S. 3681

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3681, a bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 to provide that manure shall not be considered to be a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

S. 3696

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the names of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were added as cosponsors of S. 3696, a bill to amend the Revised Statutes of the United States to prevent the use of the legal system in a manner that extorts money from State and local governments, and the Federal Government, and inhibits such governments' constitutional actions under the first, tenth, and fourteenth amendments.

S. 3705

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3705, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to improve requirements under the Medicaid program for items and services furnished in or through an educational program or setting to children, including children with developmental, physical, or mental health needs, and for other purposes.