

this work had thus far been done and that we will have to wait several more months just to get a complete list of names. We should have a chance to review this information required by law, Mr. President, before we even consider further overtures to Vietnam.

Finally, I would point out that President Clinton himself stated on January 26 of this year that he is not fully satisfied that progress on the POW/MIA issue has been sufficient to justify moving beyond the steps agreed to last year when we lifted the embargo.

I would say to the President, "Keep your promise, Mr. President, because they have not made the progress that you asked for since we lifted the embargo."

On that point, I would agree with the President. For those who take the time to really study this issue, as I have, it is difficult to see how you can come to any other conclusion—there has not been full disclosure by Vietnam.

With that in mind, I would urge my colleagues to join with the majority leader, and our distinguished committee chairmen and others by cosponsoring this resolution. Let us send a clear signal to Vietnam. Let us tell them that, while we appreciate some of the cooperation we have received to date, we will accept nothing less than full disclosure on the POW/MIA issue before agreeing to normalize relations.

That is the way to honor the men and women who served, and the men and women who are missing, and the families of the missing.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I rise today in support of Senator SMITH's Vietnam POW/MIA bill. As the members of this Chamber know, Senator Smith has worked long and hard in the effort to make Hanoi account for our missing in action and prisoners of war from Vietnam. This bill is not only the most recent example of that fine work, but also a reminder to the administration and other supporters of rushing to diplomatic relations with Vietnam that Hanoi has 2,000 unanswered questions to answer before proceeding with recognition.

My association with Vietnam POW/MIA's goes way back to 1970. I helped found the National League of Families of POW/MIAs. I remember going to President Nixon and saying we had to do something about the POW and MIA problem—answers had to be given before the people of America could rest easy that all had been done to find their loved ones and account for their fate.

Mr. President, this is not an onerous bill. It requires Presidential certification on three key issues before moving ahead on normalization: (1) a listing of cases for which the likelihood is the greatest that Vietnam has information; (2) that Vietnam is fully cooperating in the four key areas outlined by President Clinton; and (3) that Vietnam is cooperating in providing access to records concerning Americans captured during the war.

Mr. President, I note that the distinguished chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Senator HELMS and the distinguished chairman of the Armed Services Committee, Senator THURMOND, as well as Senators THOMAS, GRASSLEY, CAMPBELL, and GRAMM of Texas are original sponsors of the Vietnam POW/MIA Full Disclosure Act of 1995. Once again, I commend Senator SMITH for his leadership on this issue and yield the floor.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 194

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 194, a bill to repeal the Medicare and Medicaid Coverage Data Bank, and for other purposes.

S. 358

At the request of Mr. HEFLIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. JOHNSTON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 358, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an excise tax exemption for certain emergency medical transportation by air ambulance.

S. 553

At the request of Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mr. GREGG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 553, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 to reinstate an exemption for certain bona fide hiring and retirement plans applicable to State and local firefighters and law enforcement officers, and for other purposes.

S. 582

At the request of Mr. HATFIELD, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. LOTT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 582, a bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide that certain voluntary disclosures of violations of Federal laws made pursuant to an environmental audit shall not be subject to discovery or admitted into evidence during a Federal judicial or administrative proceeding, and for other purposes.

S. 770

At the request of Mr. DOLE, the names of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. DOMENICI], the Senator from Connecticut, [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. NICKLES], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. SANTORUM], and the Senator from Maine [Mr. COHEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 770, a bill to provide for the relocation of the United States Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED ON MAY 17, 1995

THE MEDICARE SELECT ACT OF 1995

CHAFEE (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 1108

Mr. CHAFEE (for himself, Mr. PACKWOOD, Mr. DOLE, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. GORTON) proposed an amendment to the bill (H.R. 483) to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permit Medicare select policies to be offered in all States, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. PERMITTING MEDICARE SELECT POLICIES TO BE OFFERED IN ALL STATES FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD.

Section 4358(c) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990, as amended by section 172(a) of the Social Security Act Amendments of 1994, is amended to read as follows:

"(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—(1) The amendments made by this section shall only apply—

"(A) in 15 States (as determined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services) and such other States as elect such amendments to apply to them, and

"(B) subject to paragraph (2), during the 5 year period beginning with 1992.

"(2)(A) The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall conduct a study that compares the health care costs, quality of care, and access to services under medicare select policies with that under other medicare supplemental policies. The study shall be based on surveys of appropriate age-adjusted sample populations. The study shall be completed by June 30, 1996.

"(B) The Secretary shall determine during 1996 whether the amendments made by this section shall remain in effect beyond the 5 year period described in paragraph (1)(B). Such amendments shall remain in effect beyond such period unless the Secretary determines (based on the results of the study under subparagraph (A)) that—

"(i) such amendments have not resulted in savings of premiums costs to those enrolled in medicare select policies (in comparison to their enrollment in medicare supplemental policies that are not medicare select policies and that provide comparable coverage),

"(ii) there have been significant additional expenditures under the medicare program as a result of such amendments, or

"(iii) access to and quality of care has been significantly diminished as a result of such amendments.

(3) GAO study: The GAO shall study and report to Congress, no later than June 10, 1996, on options for modifying the Medigap market to make sure that continuously insured beneficiaries are able to switch plans without medical underwriting or new pre-existing condition exclusions. In preparing such options, the GAO shall determine if there are problems under the current system and the impact of each option on the cost and availability of insurance, with particular reference to the special problems that may arise for enrollees in Medicare Select plans."