

S. 1108

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. GRAMM) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1108, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals to designate that up to 10 percent of their income tax liability be used to reduce the national debt, and to require spending reductions equal to the amounts so designated.

S. 1181

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1181, a bill to provide cost savings in the medicare program through cost-effective coverage of positron emission tomography (PET).

S. 1219

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. SIMPSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1219, a bill to reform the financing of Federal elections, and for other purposes.

S. 1228

At the request of Mr. D'AMATO, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1228, a bill to impose sanctions on foreign persons exporting petroleum products, natural gas, or related technology to Iran.

S. 1237

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. SIMPSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1237, a bill to amend certain provisions of law relating to child pornography, and for other purposes.

S. 1253

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1253, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to penalties for crimes involving cocaine, and for other purposes.

S. 1254

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BROWN) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. SIMPSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1254, a bill to disapprove of amendments to the Federal Sentencing Guidelines relating to lowering of crack sentences and sentences for money laundering and transactions in property derived from unlawful activity.

S. 1266

At the request of Mr. MACK, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1266, a bill to require the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to focus on price stability in establishing monetary policy to ensure the stable, long-term purchasing power of the currency, to repeal the Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act of 1978, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 2776

At the request of Mr. BUMPER the name of the Senator from New Jersey

(Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2776 proposed to H.R. 2099, a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and office for fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

VA-HUD APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

INOUYE AMENDMENT NO. 2777

Mr. INOUYE proposed an amendment to the bill (H.R. 2099) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes, as follows:

On page 22, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

SEC. 111. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the amount appropriated by this title under the heading "DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION" under the paragraph "CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS" is hereby increased by \$38,000,000.

(b) Of the amount available under the paragraph referred to in subsection (a), as increased by such subsection, \$38,000,000 shall be available for construction at the Spark M. Matsunaga Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the amount appropriated by this title under the heading "DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION" under the paragraph "GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES" is hereby reduced by \$38,000,000.

BOND (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 2278

Mr. BOND (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. INOUYE, and Mr. AKAKA) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

On page 22, line 5, insert: "SEC. 111. The Department of Veterans Affairs shall provide hospital care and medical services to eligible veterans in the State of Hawaii at levels commensurate with levels of care provided in the forty-eight contiguous states. The Secretary shall utilize the contract authority prescribed in 38 U.S.C. Sec. 1703 to treat eligible veterans residing in the State of Hawaii wherever appropriate."

STEVENS (AND MURKOWSKI) AMENDMENT NO. 2779

Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Mr. MURKOWSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

On page 151, after line 10, insert the following new section:

SEC. 308. None of the funds appropriated under this Act may be used to implement the requirement of section 186(b)(2), section 187(b) or section 211(m) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7512(b)(2), 7512a(b), or 7545(m)) with respect to any moderate nonattainment area

in which the average daily winter temperature is below 0 degrees Fahrenheit. The preceding sentence shall not be interpreted to preclude assistance from the Environmental Protection Agency to the State of Alaska to make progress toward meeting the carbon monoxide standard in such areas and to resolve remaining issues regarding the use of oxygenated fuels in such areas.

CHAFEE AMENDMENT NO. 2780

Mr. CHAFEE proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

On page 149, line 18, insert "(for is carcinogenic effects)" after "arsenic".

MIKULSKI (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 2781

Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. BREAU, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. ROBB, and Mr. WELLSTONE) proposed an amendment to the bill HR 2099, supra; as follows:

On page 27, line 5, strike "\$5,594,358,000" and insert "\$5,211,358,000".

On page 27, line 6, insert the following after "That": "in addition to the appropriation of \$5,211,358,000 made available under this heading, in order to achieve an effective program level of \$5,594,358,000 for the 'Annual Contributions for Assisted Housing' account for fiscal year 1996, in carrying out the programs and activities specified under this heading, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall use \$383,000,000 from any combination of unobligated balances or recaptures from prior year appropriations in the 'Annual Contributions for Assisted Housing' account, and from any reduction in amounts provided during fiscal year 1996 from the 'Annual Contributions for Assisted Housing' account (or from the 'Renewal of Expiring Section 8 Subsidies' account) to any public housing agency whose project reserve account is determined by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to contain funds in excess of the needs of that public housing agency: *Provided further*, That".

On page 30, line 5, strike "and".

On page 30, line 7, insert before the colon the following: "; and (3) shall give priority to projects designated for purchase by nonprofit organizations in allocating any funds for the sale of any projects in the preservation pipeline".

On page 128, after line 20, insert the following new section:

SEC. 225. INSURANCE OF MORTGAGES UNDER THE NATIONAL HOUSING ACT.

Section 203(b)(2)(A) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1709(b)(2)(A)) is amended—

(1) in clause (ii), by striking "75 percent" and inserting "86 percent"; and

(2) by striking "38 percent" and inserting "50 percent".

Beginning on page 130, strike line 19 and all that follows through page 131, line 2, and insert the following:

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for the Corporation for National and Community Service (referred to in the matter under this heading as the "Corporation") in carrying out programs, activities, and initiatives under the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (referred to in the matter under this heading as the "Act") (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.), \$425,000,000, of which \$335,000,000 shall be available for obligation from September 1, 1996, through August 21, 1997: *Provided*, That not more than \$26,000,000 shall be available for administrative expenses authorized under section 501(a)(4) of the Act (42 U.S.C.

12681(a)(4)), of which not more than \$12,000,000 shall be for administrative expenses for State commissions pursuant to section 126(a) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12576(a)): *Provided further*, That not more than \$2,500 shall be for official reception and representation expenses: *Provided further*, That not more than \$93,000,000, to remain available without fiscal year limitation, shall be transferred to the national Service Trust account for educational awards authorized under subtitle D of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12601 et seq.): *Provided further*, That not more than \$209,000,000 shall be available for grants under the National Service Trust program authorized under subtitle C of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12571(b)) (relating to activities including the Americorps program): *Provided further*, That not more than \$5,000,000 shall be made available for the Points of Light Foundation for activities authorized under title III of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12661 et seq.): *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be used to administer, reimburse, or support any national service programs run by Federal agencies authorized under section 121(b) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12571(b)): *Provided further*, That not more than \$19,000,000 shall be available for the Civilian Community Corps authorized under subtitle E of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12611 et seq.): *Provided further*, That not more than \$43,000,000 shall be available for school-based and community-based service-learning programs authorized under subtitle B of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.): *Provided further*, That not more than \$25,000,000 shall be available for quality and innovation activities authorized under subtitle H of title I of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.): *Provided further*, That not more than \$5,000,000 shall be available for audits and other evaluations authorized under section 179 of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12639): *Provided further*, That no funds from any other appropriation, or from funds otherwise made available to the Corporation, shall be used to pay for personnel compensation and benefits, travel, or any other administrative expense for the Board of Directors, the Office of the Chief Executive Officer, the Office of the Managing Director, the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, the Office of National and Community Service Programs, the Civilian Community Corps, or any field office or staff of the Corporation working on the National and Community Service or Civilian Community Corps programs: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be obligated until the earlier of the date on which the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation submits a plan to Congress to restructure the National Service Trust program authorized under subtitle C of title I of the Act (relating to activities including the Americorps program) in accordance with a budget smaller than the budget requested for the program in the President's fiscal year 1996 budget, or the date of enactment of an Act that reauthorizes the National and Community Service Act of 1990.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, \$1,500,000.

SARBANES (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 2782

Mr. SARBANES (for himself, Mr. SIMON, and Mr. DODD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title II of the bill, insert the following new section:

SEC. . HOMELESS ASSISTANCE FUNDING.

(a) ASSISTANCE FOR THE RENEWAL OF EXPIRING SECTION 8 SUBSIDY CONTRACTS.—

(1) REDUCED APPROPRIATION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the amount made available under title II of this Act under the heading "HOUSING PROGRAMS" under the subheading "ASSISTANCE FOR THE RENEWAL OF EXPIRING SECTION 8 SUBSIDY CONTRACTS", is reduced from \$4,350,862,000 to \$3,990,862,000.

(2) USE OF ASSISTANCE.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, in using amounts made available under title II of this Act under the heading "HOUSING PROGRAMS" under the subheading "ASSISTANCE FOR THE RENEWAL OF EXPIRING SECTION 8 SUBSIDY CONTRACTS" to renew an annual contributions contract with a public housing agency administering the tenant-based existing housing certificate program under section 8(d) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(d)) or the housing voucher program under section 8(o) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)), the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall take into account the amount in the project reserve under the contract being renewed in determining the amount of budget authority to obligate under the renewed contract.

(b) HOMELESS ASSISTANCE.—

(1) INCREASED APPROPRIATION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the amount made available under title II of this Act under the heading "HOMELESS ASSISTANCE" under the subheading "HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS" is increased from \$760,000,000 to \$1,120,000,000.

(2) RESTRICTION.—Notwithstanding section 504 or any other provision of this Act, of the funds made available under title II of this Act under the heading "HOMELESS ASSISTANCE" UNDER THE SUBHEADING "HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS", \$360,000,000 shall not become available for obligation until September 30, 1996, and shall remain available until expended.

JEFFORDS (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 2783

Mr. JEFFORDS (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CHAFEE, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. SIMON, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BUMPERS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. COHEN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mr. ROBB) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

On page 151, line 11, insert:

SEC. . ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ENERGY SUPPLY PROGRAMS.

(a) PRIORITY FOR SMALL BUSINESSES.—During fiscal year 1996 the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall give priority in providing assistance in its Energy Efficiency and Energy Supply programs to organizations that are recognized as small business concerns under section 3(a) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632 (a)).

(b) STUDY.—The Administrator shall perform a study to determine the feasibility of establishing fees to recover all reasonable costs incurred by EPA for assistance rendered businesses in its Energy Efficiency and Energy Supply program. The study shall include, among other things, an evaluation of making the Energy Efficiency and Energy Supply program self-sustaining, the value of the assistance rendered to businesses, providing exemptions for small businesses, and making the fees payable directly to a fund that would be available for use by EPA as needed for this program. The Administrator shall report to Congress by March 15, 1996 on

the results of this study and EPA's plan for implementation.

(c) FUNDING.—For fiscal year 1996, up to \$100 million of the funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency may be used by the Administrator to support global participation in the Montreal Protocol facilitation fund and for the climate change action plan programs including the green programs.

ROCKEFELLER AMENDMENT NO.
2784

Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. DORGAN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

On page 16, beginning with line 20, strike all through page 17, line 5, and insert the following:

SEC. 107. Section 105(b) of House Concurrent Resolution 67 (104th Congress, 1st Session) is amended to read as follows:

"(b) RECONCILIATION OF REVENUE REDUCTIONS IN THE SENATE.—

"(1) CERTIFICATION.—(A) In the Senate, upon the certification pursuant to section 205(a) of this resolution, the Senate Committee on Finance shall submit its recommendations, the Committee on the Budget shall add such recommendations to the recommendations submitted pursuant to subsection (a) and report a reconciliation bill carrying out all such recommendations without any substantive revision.

"(B) The Chair of the Committee on the budget shall file with the Senate revised allocations, aggregates, and discretionary spending limits under section 201(a)(1)(B) increasing budget authority by \$17,000,000,000 and outlays by \$150,000,000.

"(2) COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.—Funding for this section shall be provided by limiting any tax cut provided in the reconciliation bill to families with incomes less than \$100,000."

ROCKEFELLER AMENDMENT NO.
2785

Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. WELLSTONE) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

On page 8, line 10, strike "\$16,450,000,000" and insert "\$16,961,487,000".

On page 22, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

SEC. 111. Section 105(b) of House Concurrent Resolution 67 (104th Congress, 1st Session) is amended to read as follows:

"(b) RECONCILIATION OF REVENUE REDUCTIONS IN THE SENATE.—

"(1) CERTIFICATION.—(A) In the Senate, upon the certification pursuant to section 205(a) of this resolution, the Senate Committee on Finance shall submit its recommendations pursuant to paragraph (2) to the Senate Committee on the Budget. After receiving the recommendations, the Committee on the Budget shall add such recommendations to the recommendations submitted pursuant to subsection (a) and report a reconciliation bill carrying out all such recommendations without any substantive revision.

"(B) The Chair of the Committee on the Budget shall file with the Senate revised allocations, aggregates, and discretionary spending limits under section 201(a)(1)(B) increasing budget authority by \$511,487,000 and outlays by \$511,487,000.

"(2) COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.—Funding for this section shall be provided by limiting

any tax cut provided in the reconciliation bill to families with incomes less than \$100,000.”.

BAUCUS (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 2786

Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. REID) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title III, insert the following:

SEC. 3 . APPLICATION OF LIMITATIONS ON IMPLEMENTATION OR ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN LAWS.

Any prohibition or limitation in this Act on the implementation or enforcement of any law administered by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall not apply if the Administrator determines that application of the prohibition or limitation would diminish the protection of human health or the environment otherwise provided by law.

MCCAIN AMENDMENT NO. 2787

Mr. MCCAIN proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2099, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate place; insert:

SEC. . PLAN FOR ALLOCATION OF HEALTH CARE RESOURCES BY DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

(a) PLAN.—(1) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall develop a plan for the allocation of health care resources (including personnel and funds) of the Department of Veterans Affairs among the health care facilities of the Department so as to ensure that veterans having similar economic status, eligibility priority and, or, similar medical conditions who are eligible for medical care in such facilities have similar access to such care in such facilities regardless of the region of the United States in which such veterans reside.

(2) The Plan shall reflect, to the maximum extent possible, the Veterans integrated Service Network, as well as the Resource Planning and Management System developed by the Department of Veterans Affairs to account for forecasts in expected workload and to ensure fairness to facilities that provide cost-efficient health care, and shall include procedures to identify reasons for variations in operating costs among similar facilities and ways to improve the allocation of resources so as to promote efficient use of resources and provision of quality health care.

(3) The Secretary shall prepare the plan in consultation with the Under Secretary of Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(b) PLAN ELEMENTS.—The plan under subsection (a) shall set forth—

(1) milestones for achieving the goal referred to in that subsection; and

(2) a means of evaluating the success of the Secretary in meeting the goals through the plan.

(c) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary shall submit to Congress the plan developed under subsection (a) not later than

180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) PLAN IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary shall implement the plan developed under subsection (a) within 60 days of submitting such plan to Congress under subsection (b), unless within such period the Secretary notifies the appropriate Committees of Congress that such plan will not be implemented along with an explanation of why such plan will not be implemented.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be permitted to meet Tuesday, September 26, 1995, beginning at 9 a.m. in room SH-216, to conduct a mark up of spending recommendations for the budget reconciliation legislation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 26, 1995, at 2 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Labor and Human Resources be authorized to meet for an executive session, during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 26, 1995, at 9 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TERRORISM, TECHNOLOGY, AND GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology, and Government Information of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, be authorized to meet during a session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 26, 1995, at 10 a.m., in Senate Dirksen room 106, on “Ruby Ridge Incident”.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION BY THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS UNDER RULE 35, PARAGRAPH 4, REGARDING EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL

• Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, it is required by paragraph 4 of rule 35 that I place in the CONGRESSIONAL

RECORD notices of Senate employees who participate in programs, the principal objective of which is educational, sponsored by a foreign government or a foreign educational or charitable organization involving travel to a foreign country paid for by that foreign government or organization.

The select committee received notification under rule 35 for Walter Lohman, a member of the staff of Senator MCCAIN, to participate in a program in India sponsored by the Confederation of Indian Industry from August 26 to September 3, 1995.

The committee determined that no Federal statute or Senate rule would prohibit participation by Mr. Lohman in this program.

The select committee received notification under rule 35 for Sean O'Donnell, a member of the staff of Senator GORTON, to participate in a program in Hong Kong sponsored by the Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce from August 28 to September 4, 1995.

The committee determined that no Federal statute or Senate rule would prohibit participation by Mr. O'Donnell in this program.

The select committee received notification under rule 35 for Steve Phillips, a member of the staff of Senator HELMS, to participate in a program in Korea sponsored by the Korean Government from August 19-25, 1995.

The committee determined that no Federal statute or Senate rule would prohibit participation by Mr. Phillips in this program.

The select committee received notification under rule 35 for Russell Rockwell, a member of the staff of Senator SANTORUM, to participate in a program in Taiwan sponsored by the Tamkang University from August 16-23, 1995.

The committee determined that no Federal statute or Senate rule would prohibit participation by Mr. Rockwell in this program.

The select committee received notification under rule 35 for Holidae Hayes, a member of the staff of Senator D'AMATO, to participate in a program in Mexico sponsored by the Mexican Business Coordinating Council from August 22-25, 1995.

The committee determined that no Federal statute or Senate rule would prohibit participation by Ms. Hayes in this program.

The select committee received notification under rule 35 for Corbin Stone, a member of the staff of Senator SIMON, to participate in a program in Taiwan sponsored by the Chinese Culture University from August 17-24, 1995.

The committee determined that no Federal statute or Senate rule would prohibit participation by Mr. Stone in this program.

The select committee received notification under rule 35 for Mark Ashby, a member of the staff of Senator BREAUX, to participate in a program in China sponsored by the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs from August 14-27, 1995.

The committee determined that no Federal statute or Senate rule would prohibit participation by Mark Ashby in this program.

The select committee received notification under rule 35 for Brent Franzel, a member of the staff of Senator D'AMATO, to participate in a program in Mexico sponsored by the