

5. Contributions of Stock to Private Foundation:

Extends existing law to December 31, 1997.

6. Extension of Binding Contract Date for the Section 29 Credit:

Extends the placed-in-service date to January 1, 1999, and the binding contract date to July 1, 1997.

7. Publicly Traded Partnerships:

Extends grandfathered PTPs as regular partnerships until December 31, 1997.

8. Group Legal Services:

This bill extends the program included in the Senate version of the Balanced Budget Act of 1995 until December 31, 1997.

• Mr. D'AMATO. Mr. President, I am very pleased to join my distinguished colleagues, Senators HATCH, BAUCUS, and SIMPSON, in introducing legislation to extend certain expiring tax provisions. Over the years, all of the provisions in this bill have received support from most Members of Congress. In the first session of this Congress, I joined Senator HATCH in cosponsoring legislation to extend the tax benefits on a number of these provisions. In addition, on June 29, 1995, I introduced S. 997 to permanently reinstate the tax exclusion for employer-provided group legal services. I am very pleased that that provision has been included in this bill.

Mr. President, this bill is an important and necessary piece of legislation. As such, I urge my colleagues to join us in the effort to extend these important benefits. •

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 413

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 413, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to increase the minimum wage rate under such Act, and for other purposes.

S. 673

At the request of Mrs. KASSEBAUM, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAIG] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 673, a bill to establish a youth development grant program, and for other purposes.

S. 837

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. THURMOND] and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. NICKLES] were added as cosponsors of S. 837, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the birth of James Madison.

S. 1058

At the request of Mr. WELLSTONE, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1058, a bill to provide a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture.

S. 1095

At the request of Mr. MOYNIHAN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. BRYAN] was added as a cosponsor of S.

1095, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend permanently the exclusion for educational assistance provided by employers to employees.

S. 1130

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1130, a bill to provide for the establishment of uniform accounting systems, standards, and reporting systems in the Federal Government, and for other purposes.

S. 1183

At the request of Mr. HATFIELD, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. WELLSTONE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1183, a bill to amend the Act of March 3, 1931 (known as the Davis-Bacon Act), to revise the standards for coverage under the Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1379

At the request of Mr. THURMOND, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1379, a bill to make technical amendments to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1423

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1423, a bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to make modifications to certain provisions, and for other purposes.

S. 1497

At the request of Mr. NICKLES, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. THOMAS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1497, a bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to make certain adjustments in the land disposal program to provide needed flexibility, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 215

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. CHAFEE], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. DEWINE], and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 215, a resolution to designate June 19, 1996, as "National Baseball Day."

SENATE RESOLUTION 217

At the request of Mrs. KASSEBAUM, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. SPECTER], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. PELL], and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 217, a resolution to designate the first Friday in May 1996, as "American Foreign Service Day" in recognition of the men and women who have served or are presently serving in the American Foreign Service, and to honor those in the American Foreign Service who have given their lives in the line of duty.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 42—CONCERNING THE EMANCIPATION OF THE IRANIAN BAHAI COMMUNITY

Mrs. KASSEBAUM (for herself, Mr. DODD, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MACK, Mr. D'AMATO, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SIMON, Mr. GLENN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. PELL, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. HELMS, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. INOUE, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. CHAFEE, and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. CON. RES. 42

Whereas in 1982, 1984, 1988, 1990, 1992, and 1994 the Congress, by concurrent resolution, declared that it holds the Government of Iran responsible for upholding the rights of all its nationals, including members of the Baha'i Faith, Iran's largest religious minority;

Whereas the Congress has deplored the Government of Iran's religious persecution of the Baha'i community in such resolutions and in numerous other appeals, and has condemned Iran's execution of more than 200 Baha'is and the imprisonment of thousands of others solely on account of their religious beliefs;

Whereas the Government of Iran continues to deny individual Baha'is access to higher education and government employment and denies recognition and religious rights to the Baha'i community, according to the policy set forth in a confidential Iranian Government document which was revealed by the United Nations Commission on Human Rights in 1993;

Whereas all Baha'i community properties in Iran have been confiscated by the government and Iranian Baha'is are not permitted to elect their leaders, organize as a community, operate religious schools or conduct other religious community activities guaranteed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and

Whereas on February 22, 1993, the United Nations Commission on Human Rights published a formerly confidential Iranian Government document that constitutes a blueprint for the destruction of the Baha'i community and reveals that these repressive actions are the result of a deliberate policy designed and approved by the highest officials of the Government of Iran: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Congress—

(1) continues to hold the Government of Iran responsible for upholding the rights of all its nationals, including members of the Baha'i community, in a manner consistent with Iran's obligations under the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other international agreements guaranteeing the civil and political rights of its citizens;

(2) condemns the repressive anti-Baha'i policies and actions of the Government of Iran, including the denial of legal recognition to the Baha'i community and the basic rights to organize, elect its leaders, educate its youth, and conduct the normal activities of a law-abiding religious community;

(3) expresses concern that individual Baha'is continue to suffer from severely repressive and discriminatory government actions, solely on account of their religion;

(4) urges the Government of Iran to extend to the Baha'i community the rights guaranteed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the international covenants of