

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 1799. A bill to promote greater equity in the delivery of health care services to American women through expanded research on women's health issues and through improved access to health care services, including preventive health services; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. D'AMATO (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BRYAN, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1800. A bill to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to limit fees charged by financial institutions for the use of automatic teller machines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 1801. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal year 1997, to reform the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 1802. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain property containing a fish and wildlife facility to the State of Wyoming, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 1803. A bill to provide relief to agricultural producers who grant easements to, or owned or operated land condemned by, the Secretary of the Army for flooding losses caused by water retention at the dam site at Lake Redrock, Iowa, to the extent that the actual losses exceed the estimate of the Secretary, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself, Mr. JOHNSTON, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 1804. A bill to make technical and other changes to the laws dealing with the Territories and Freely Associated States of the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. GRAMS:

S. 1805. A bill to provide for the management of Voyageurs National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. D'AMATO (for himself, Mr. DODD, and Mr. FRIST):

S. 1806. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify that any dietary supplement that claims to produce euphoria, heightened awareness or similar mental or psychological effects shall be treated as a drug under the Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 1807. A bill to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, regarding the Kake Tribal Corporation public interest land exchange; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. JOHNSTON):

S. 1808. A bill to amend the Act of October 15, 1966 (80 stat. 915), as amended, establishing a program for the preservation of additional historic property throughout the Nation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI:

S. 1809. A bill entitled the "Aleutian World War II National Historic Areas Act of 1996"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1810. A bill to expand the boundary of the Snoqualmie National Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MACK (for himself, Mr. BRADLEY, Mr. ROTH, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. BIDEN):

S. 1811. A bill to amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing Federal participation in the cost of protecting the shores of publicly owned property" to confirm and clarify the authority and responsibility of the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, to promote and carry out shore protection projects, including beach nourishment projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 1812. A bill to provide for the liquidation or replication of certain frozen concentrated orange juice entries to correct an error that was made in connection with the original liquidation; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 1813. A bill to reform the coastwise, intercoastal, and noncontiguous trade shipping laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mr. MACK):

S. 1814. A bill to provide for liquidation or reliquidation of certain television sets to correct an error that was made in connection with the original liquidation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAMM (for himself, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. DODD, Mr. BRYAN, and Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN):

S. 1815. A bill to provide for improved regulation of the securities markets, eliminate excess securities fees, reduce the costs of investing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BOND (for himself, Mr. COATS, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, and Mr. NICKLES):

S. 1816. A bill to expedite waiver approval for the "Wisconsin Works" plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. KASSEBAUM, and Mr. BOND):

S. 1817. A bill to limit the authority of Federal courts to fashion remedies that require local jurisdictions to assess, levy, or collect taxes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. SIMON) (by request):

S. 1818. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide for retirement savings and security; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

S. 1819. A bill to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to provide for retirement savings and security; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

S. 1820. A bill to amend title 5 of the United States Code to provide for retirement savings and security; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

S. 1821. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for retirement savings and security; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. DOLE (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. Res. 256. A resolution to authorize the production of records by the Select Committee on Intelligence; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LOTT:

S. Con. Res. 60. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. DOLE:

S. Con. Res. 61. A concurrent resolution commending the Americans who served the United States during the period known as the Cold War; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PRESSLER:

S. Con. Res. 62. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the Secretary of the Navy should name the first of the fleet of the new attack submarines of the Navy the "South Dakota"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Mr. ABRAHAM):

S. 1797. A bill to revise the requirements for procurement of products of Federal Prison Industries to meet needs of Federal agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

THE FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES COMPETITION IN CONTRACTING ACT

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I am pleased to introduce, with Senator ABRAHAM, the Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act. This bill, if enacted, would eliminate the requirement for Federal agencies to purchase products made by Federal Prison Industries and require that FPI to compete commercially for Federal contracts. It would implement a key recommendation of the Vice President's National Performance Review, which concluded that we should "Take away the Federal Prison Industries' status as a mandatory source of Federal supplies and require it to compete commercially for Federal agencies' business." Most importantly, it would ensure that the taxpayers get the best possible value for their Federal procurement dollars.

Mr. President, the Director of Federal Prison Industries, Mr. Steve Schwalb, told me earlier this year that his agency is fully capable of competing with private industry for Federal contracts. Indeed, FPI would have a significant advantage in any such head-to-head competition: FPI pays inmates only \$1.35 an hour, less than a third of the minimum wage and a small fraction of the wage paid to most private sector workers in competing industries.

The taxpayers already provide a direct subsidy Federal Prison Industries products by picking up the cost of feeding, clothing, and housing the inmates