

former members of the uniformed services and their dependents to the extent that such expenses are not payable under medicare, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

S. 167. A bill for the relief of Alfredo Tolentino of Honolulu, Hawaii; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DEWINE:

S. 168. A bill to reform criminal procedure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRAIG:

S. 169. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the admission of temporary H-2A workers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DEWINE:

S. 170. A bill to provide for a process to authorize the use of clone pagers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 171. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to insert a general provision for criminal attempt; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 172. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to set forth the civil jurisdiction of the United States for crimes committed by persons accompanying the Armed Forces outside of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 173. A bill to expedite State reviews of criminal records of applicants for private security officer employment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 174. A bill to establish the Fallen Timbers Battlefield, Fort Meigs, and Fort Miamis National Historical Site in the State of Ohio; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. INOUE:

S. 175. A bill to amend chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code, to authorize the use of clinical social workers to conduct evaluations to determine work-related emotional and mental illnesses; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

S. 176. A bill for the relief of Susan Rebolada Cardenas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 177. A bill to provide for a special application of section 1034 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DEWINE:

S. 178. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to clarify that the reasonable efforts requirement includes consideration of the health and safety of the child; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. LOTT, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. ROTH, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. KYL, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. ROBB, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. HELMS, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. MACK, Mr. GRAMM, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. BROWNBACK, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. GORDON H. SMITH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BOND, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. COATS, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GORTON, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. GREGG, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, and Mr. THOMAS):

S.J. Res. 1. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require a balanced budget; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. REID, Mr. FORD, and Mr. REED):

S.J. Res. 2. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THURMOND:

S.J. Res. 3. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to voluntary school prayer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S.J. Res. 4. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROTH (for himself and Mr. MOYNIHAN):

S.J. Res. 5. A joint resolution waiving certain provisions of the Trade Act of 1974 relating to the appointment of the United States Trade Representative; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KYL (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S.J. Res. 6. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAMM:

S.J. Res. 7. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require a balanced budget; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KYL:

S.J. Res. 8. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide that expenditures for a fiscal year shall exceed neither revenues for such fiscal year nor 19 per centum of the Nation's gross domestic product for the last calendar year ending before the beginning of such fiscal year; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HELMS, Mrs. HUTCHINSON, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, and Mr. THOMPSON):

S.J. Res. 9. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require two-thirds majorities for increasing taxes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MACK (for himself, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. FIRST, Mr. D'AMATO, and Mr. SPECTER):

S. Res. 15. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Federal commitment to biomedical research should be increased substantially over the next 5 years; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. Res. 16. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the income tax should be eliminated and replaced with a national sales tax; to the Committee on Finance.

S. Res. 17. A resolution on the ratification of the Chemical Weapons Convention; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FAIRCLOTH:

S. Res. 18. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding reduction of the national debt; to the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Governmental Affairs, jointly, pursuant to the order of August 4, 1977 with instructions that if one Committee reports, the other Committee have thirty days to report or be discharged.

By Mr. MOYNIHAN (for himself, Mr. HELMS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. DODD, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. Res. 19. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding United States opposition to the prison sentence of Tibetan ethnomusicologist Ngawang Choephel by the Government of the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. COVERDELL (for himself, Mr. COATS, Mr. GREGG, Mr. LOTT, Mr. BOND, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. GORTON, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHINSON, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. KYL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. SMITH, Mr. THURMOND, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 1. A bill to provide for safe and affordable schools; to the Committee on Finance.

THE SAFE AND AFFORDABLE SCHOOLS ACT OF 1997

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, for people to remain free, they must be educated. It is at the foundation of our liberty. This bill that has just been referred owes a great debt to Senator COATS of Indiana, Senator GREGG of New Hampshire, Senator ROTH of Delaware, Senator JEFFORDS of Vermont, Senator BOND of Missouri, Senator SHELBY of Alabama, and Senator GRASSLEY of Iowa.

Mr. President, there is a grave condition in our elementary and high schools across the land. Forty-six percent of our students have made at least one change in daily routine because of concerns about personal safety. Twenty-nine percent said it was easy to get illegal drugs. Seventy-nine percent have friends who are regular drinkers. Sixty-eight percent can buy marijuana within a day. Sixty-two percent have friends who use marijuana.

During the last 15 years, Mr. President, tuition at 4-year public colleges and universities rose 234 percent. In contrast, median household income rose only 82 percent, putting an ever tighter squeeze on those families that choose to and desire to send their children to college.

Since 1990, American college students have borrowed over \$100 billion, and borrowing among students and families to seek their higher education has skyrocketed.

Mr. President, since 1965, the United States has spent half a trillion dollars—\$500 billion—on Federal education