

work and sacrifice that helped assure us the freedom and security we now enjoy.

Not only should we take this time to show our appreciation and respect for America's seniors, but also to acknowledge that today's and tomorrow's seniors will continue making significant contributions to our communities through their wisdom and experience; in the workplace, in civic leadership and in our homes.

We must also recognize that 77 million baby boomers will soon be retiring and must begin to address some of the challenges this influx will bring. Social Security and Medicare modernization, including the option for prescription drugs, must be addressed before this generation retires.

As the Ranking Member of the Senate Special Committee on Aging, I look forward to the opportunities and challenges that await us as we continue our commitment to the goal of ensuring that senior citizens enjoy active, productive and healthy lives, and do so independently, safely and with dignity.

In the tradition of Older Americans' Month, I am submitting a resolution in the Senate calling on the people of the United States to observe the month of May 2002 as "Older Americans Month" and to encourage all Americans to promote awareness through ceremonies, programs, and other activities that promote acknowledgment, gratitude, and respect for American seniors.

I ask all of you to celebrate with me Older Americans' Month this May.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 3383. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3009, to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3384. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3009, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3385. Mr. REID (for Mr. BIDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1646, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal years 2002 and 2003, and for other purposes.

SA 3386. Mr. DASCHLE proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3009, to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, and for other purposes.

SA 3387. Mr. DORGAN (for himself and Mr. CRAIG) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 3386 proposed by Mr. DASCHLE to the bill (H.R. 3009) supra.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 3383. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3009, to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

SEC. ____ CONDITIONS ON ANY SUSPENSION OF IMMIGRATION PROCESSING OF ALIEN ORPHANS.

(a) REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.—

(1) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Neither the Commissioner nor any other official of the Department of Justice shall suspend, with respect to a country, the processing of petitions for classification of natives of that country as alien orphans, unless the Attorney General first submits a report to each House of Congress, in accordance with subsection (c), containing the following:

(A) CERTIFICATION REQUIRED.—A certification that the Commissioner or other official of the Department of Justice, as appropriate, has determined, based upon clear and convincing evidence, that one or more of the following circumstances is applicable with respect to that country:

(i) INADEQUATE INS PROCESSING SYSTEM.—The system of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in that country for the processing of petitions for the classification of natives of that country as alien orphans is wholly inadequate, and as a result the Service is unable to make the determinations described in section 101(b)(1) (F) or (G) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(b)(1) (F) or (G)).

(ii) SENDING COUNTRY ADOPTION SYSTEM COMPROMISED.—The system utilized by the sending country for the arrangement of international adoptions of alien orphans who are natives of that country has been compromised to the extent that processing cases according to the requirements of the Immigration and Nationality Act is no longer possible.

(iii) FAILURE TO OBTAIN BIRTH PARENT CONSENT.—In the majority of the cases processed in the period beginning 90 days before the date of transmittal of the certification and ending on such date, the consent of a birth parent to termination of parental rights or to the adoption was not obtained.

(iv) FRAUD, DURESS, OR IMPROPER INDUCEMENT.—In the majority of the cases processed in the period beginning 90 days before the date of transmittal of the certification and ending on such date, the consent of a birth parent to the termination of parental rights or the adoption was obtained as a result of fraud, duress, or improper inducement.

(B) PLAN.—A detailed plan that would remedy the circumstance or circumstances described in subparagraph (A) justifying the suspension, including efforts by the Department of Justice to communicate with United States citizen family members who might be affected by the impending suspension.

(C) ESTIMATE OF TIME TO REMEDY CIRCUMSTANCES.—A good faith estimate of the time needed to remedy the circumstance or circumstances described in subparagraph (A) justifying the suspension.

(2) LIMITATION.—In no case may a suspension last longer than one year.

(3) TRANSITION PROVISION.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commissioner shall certify to Congress that any suspension in effect on the date of the transmittal of that certification is justified by one or more of the circumstances described in paragraph (1)(A).

(b) REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—Neither the Secretary of State nor any other official of the Department of State shall urge a foreign government to suspend the processing of international adoptions by United States citizens unless the Secretary of State provides notice in writing to each House of Congress, in accordance with sub-

section (c), of his intention to take such action.

(c) SUBMISSION OF REPORTS AND NOTICES TO CONGRESS.—The submission of a report under subsection (a) or a notice under subsection (b) is satisfied if the report or notice, as appropriate, is submitted—

(1) in the case of the Senate, not less than 30 session days (excluding days in which the Senate stands in recess) in advance of the action; and

(2) in the case of the House of Representatives, not less than 30 legislative days in advance of the action.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ALIEN ORPHAN.—The term "alien orphan" means an alien child described in section 101(b)(1) (F) or (G) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(b)(1) (F) or (G)).

(2) CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE.—The term "clear and convincing evidence" means specific, well documented, and substantiated proof that the underlying assertion is true.

(3) COMMISSIONER.—The term "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, subject to the authority, supervision, and control of the Attorney General.

(4) SENDING COUNTRY.—The term "sending country" means the country with legal authority to process the adoption of the child in question.

(5) SUSPENSION.—The term "suspension" means, with respect to a country, the decision by the Commissioner to suspend the processing of petitions for classification of alien orphans who are natives of that country.

SA 3384. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3009, to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following new section:

SEC. ____ TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR MARITIME EMPLOYEES.

Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Workers, Farmers, Fishermen, Communities, and Firms Act of 2002, the Secretary of Labor shall establish a program to provide health insurance benefits under title VI of that Act, and program benefits under chapter 2 of title II of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2271 et seq.) to longshoremen, harbor and port pilots, port personnel, stevedores, crane operators, warehouse personnel, and other maritime workers who have become totally or partially separated, or are threatened to become totally or partially separated, as a result of the decline in the importation of steel products into the United States caused by the safeguard measures taken by the United States on March 5, 2002, under chapter 1 of title II of such Act (19 U.S.C. 2251 et seq.).

SA 3385. Mr. REID (for Mr. BIDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1646, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal years 2002 and 2003, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Security Assistance Act of 2001".

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows: