

Secretary determines that disclosure would—

- (1) further the purposes of this Act;
- (2) not create risk of harm to or theft or destruction of the resource or the site containing the resource; and
- (3) be in accordance with other applicable laws.

#### SEC. 13. REGULATIONS.

As soon as practical after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue such regulations as are appropriate to carry out this Act, providing opportunities for public notice and comment.

#### SEC. 14. SAVINGS PROVISIONS.

Nothing in this Act shall be construed to—

- (1) invalidate, modify, or impose additional restrictions on any activities permitted under the general mining laws, or the mineral leasing, geothermal leasing, and mineral materials disposal laws;

- (2) apply to, or require a permit for, amateur collecting of a rock, mineral, or invertebrate or plant fossil that is not protected under this Act;

- (3) affect any lands other than Federal lands or affect the lawful recovery, collection, or sale of paleontological resources from lands other than Federal lands; or

- (4) alter or diminish the authority of a Federal agency under any other law to provide protection for paleontological resources on Federal lands in addition to the protection provided under this Act.

#### SEC. 15. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this Act.

### SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 303—EX-PRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT A COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMP SHOULD BE ISSUED TO CELEBRATE THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST ACADIANS IN THE AMERICA COLONIES

Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. BREAU) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

S. RES. 303

Whereas, in 1755, British troops expelled 6,000 Acadians from their home in Acadie, an area that is part of modern-day Nova Scotia, Canada, and many of these Acadians relocated to the American colonies;

Whereas this expulsion, known as the Grand Derangement, resulted in the dispersal of the Acadians and the spread of their French-Canadian culture throughout the American colonies;

Whereas, as a result of the Treaty of Paris in 1763, many Acadians migrated to Louisiana;

Whereas the unique Acadian culture had a strong influence on life in the American colonies;

Whereas, the 1990 census found that there were just under 700,000 people of Acadian ancestry in the United States, and the uniquely Acadian culture and traditions of this group continue to influence culture in the United States;

Whereas the 250th anniversary of the arrival of the first Acadians in the United States occurs in 2005; and

Whereas a postage stamp would be an appropriate commemoration of this anniversary, would increase public awareness of the

history of American prerevolutionary immigration, and would benefit the American public by giving recognition to a distinct and truly American subculture: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved,*

#### SECTION 1. SENSE OF THE SENATE.

It is the sense of the Senate that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that a commemorative postage stamp be issued in 2005 to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the arrival of the first Acadians in the American colonies in 1755.

#### SEC. 2. TRANSMITTAL TO CITIZENS' STAMP ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the chairperson of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee.

### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4273. Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, to improve quality and transparency in financial reporting and independent audits and accounting services for public companies, to create a Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, to enhance the standard setting process for accounting practices, to strengthen the independence of firms that audit public companies, to increase corporate responsibility and the usefulness of corporate financial disclosure, to protect the objectivity and independence of securities analysts, to improve Securities and Exchange Commission resources and oversight, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4274. Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. ALLEN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LOTT, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. BURNS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4275. Mr. LIEBERMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 4280. Mr. LIEBERMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4281. Mr. LIEBERMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4282. Mr. LIEBERMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4283. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4187 submitted by Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. CORZINE) to the bill (S. 2673) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4284. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment

SA 4187 submitted by Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. CORZINE) to the bill (S. 2673) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4285. Mr. ENZI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4286. Mr. REID (for Mrs. CARNAHAN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2673, supra.

SA 4287. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4288. Mr. DORGAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4267 submitted by Mr. DORGAN and intended to be proposed to the bill (S. 2673) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4289. Mr. DORGAN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4187 submitted by Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. CORZINE) to the bill (S. 2673) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4290. Mr. DORGAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4187 submitted by Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. CORZINE) to the bill (S. 2673) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4291. Mr. DORGAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4187 submitted by Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. CORZINE) to the bill (S. 2673) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4292. Mr. DORGAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4187 submitted by Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. CORZINE) to the bill (S. 2673) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4293. Mr. GRAHAM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2673, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4294. Mr. GRAHAM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4293 submitted by Mr. GRAHAM and intended to be proposed to the bill (S. 2673) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4295. Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2673, supra.

SA 4296. Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. SHELBY) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2673, supra.

SA 4297. Mr. REID (for Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. HELMS)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2069, To amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Global AIDS and Tuberculosis Relief Act of 2000 to authorize assistance to prevent, treat, and monitor HIV/AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa and other developing countries.

SA 4298. Mr. REID (for Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. HELMS)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2069, supra.

### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

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