

Furthermore, the following international agencies have recommended the use of medical marijuana: the Canadian government, the British Medical Association, the French Ministry of Health, the Israel Health Ministry, and the Australian National Task Force on Cannabis.

Even the DEA has registered eight researchers to further examine the possible medicinal benefits of smoking marijuana.

This obviously is an ongoing debate. The citizens and legislatures of ten states have spoken. I believe the DEA should suspend its raids of medical marijuana providers in these states and place such efforts at the bottom of its list of priorities.

Since Ms. Tandy is unwilling to yield at all on this point, I respectfully oppose her nomination.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will return to legislative session.

STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

Mr. SUNUNU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 2854.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2854) to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to extend the availability of allotments for fiscal years 1998 through 2001 under the State Children's Health Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SUNUNU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements regarding this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 2854) was read the third time and passed.

SOCIAL SECURITY ACT AMENDMENT

Mr. SUNUNU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. 1547 introduced earlier today by Senators BINGAMAN and DOMENICI.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1547) to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to make a technical correction with respect to the definition of qualifying State.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SUNUNU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be

read three times and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD, without intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 1547) was read the third time and passed as follows:

S. 1547

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. TECHNICAL CORRECTION RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF QUALIFYING STATE UNDER TITLE XXI OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.

Effective as if included in the enactment of H.R. 2854, 108th Congress, section 2105(g)(2) of the Social Security Act, as added by section 1(b) of H.R. 2854, 108th Congress, as passed by the House of Representatives on July 25, 2003, is amended by striking "185" the first place it appears and inserting "184".

FAMILY FARMER BANKRUPTCY RELIEF ACT OF 2003

Mr. SUNUNU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to the consideration of H.R. 2465.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2465) to extend for six months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 the United States Code is reenacted.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SUNUNU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 2465) was read the third time and passed.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004

Mr. SUNUNU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 172, S. 1025.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1025) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Select Committee on Intelligence, with amendments, as follows:

[Strike the parts shown in black brackets and insert the part shown in italic.]

S. 1025

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004".

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

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

Sec. 101. Authorization of appropriations.

Sec. 102. Classified schedule of authorizations.

Sec. 103. Personnel ceiling adjustments.

Sec. 104. Intelligence Community Management Account.

Sec. 105. Incorporation of reporting requirements.

Sec. 106. Preparation and submittal of reports, reviews, studies, and plans relating to intelligence activities of Department of Defense or Department of Energy.

TITLE II—CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY SYSTEM

Sec. 201. Authorization of appropriations.

TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Subtitle A—Recurring General Provisions

Sec. 301. Increase in employee compensation and benefits authorized by law.

Sec. 302. Restriction on conduct of intelligence activities.

Subtitle B—Intelligence

Sec. 311. Modification of authority to obligate and expend certain funds for intelligence activities.

Sec. 312. Modification of notice and wait requirements on projects to construct or improve intelligence community facilities.

Sec. 313. Use of funds for counterdrug and counterterrorism activities for Colombia.

Sec. 314. Pilot program on analysis of signals and other intelligence by intelligence analysts of various elements of the intelligence community.

Sec. 315. Pilot program on training for intelligence analysts.

Sec. 316. Extension of National Commission for the Review of the Research and Development Programs of the United States Intelligence Community.

Subtitle C—Surveillance

Sec. 321. Clarification and modification of sunset of surveillance-related amendments made by USA PATRIOT ACT of 2001.

Subtitle D—Reports

Sec. 331. Report on cleared insider threat to classified computer networks.

Sec. 332. Report on security background investigations and security clearance procedures of the Federal Government.

Sec. 333. Report on detail of civilian intelligence personnel among elements of the intelligence community and the Department of Defense.

Sec. 334. Report on modifications of policy and law on classified information to facilitate sharing of information for national security purposes.

Sec. 335. Report of Secretary of Defense and Director of Central Intelligence on strategic planning.

Sec. 336. Report on United States dependence on computer hardware and software manufactured overseas.

Sec. 337. Report on lessons learned from military operations in Iraq.