

(E) be subject to such other terms and conditions as the Secretary determines appropriate.

(2) ACCOUNT.—A loan awarded to an individual under this section shall be deposited into an account from which a monthly mortgage payment will be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of such loan.

(d) REPAYMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—An individual to which a loan has been awarded under this section shall be required to begin making repayments on the loan on the earlier of—

(A) the date on which the individual has been employed on a full-time basis for 6 consecutive months; or

(B) the date that is 1 year after the date on which the loan has been approved under this section.

(2) REPAYMENT PERIOD AND AMOUNT.—

(A) REPAYMENT PERIOD.—A loan awarded under this section shall be repaid on a monthly basis over the 5-year period beginning on the date determined under paragraph (1).

(B) AMOUNT.—The amount of the monthly payment described in subparagraph (A) shall be determined by dividing the total amount provided under the loan (plus interest) by 60.

(C) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prohibit an individual from—

(i) paying off a loan awarded under this section in less than 5 years; or

(ii) from paying a monthly amount under such loan in excess of the monthly amount determined under subparagraph (B) with respect to the loan.

(e) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 6 weeks after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall promulgate regulations necessary to carry out this section, including regulations that permit an individual to certify that the individual is an eligible individual under subsection (b).

(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2005 through 2008.

TITLE XII—MISCELLANEOUS

SEC. 1201. DEFINITION OF VALID TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER FOR EARNED INCOME CREDIT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 32(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(m) IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS.—Solely for purposes of subsections (c)(1)(F) and (c)(3)(D), a taxpayer identification number means a social security number assigned by the Social Security Administration—

“(1) to a citizen of the United States, or

“(2) to an individual pursuant to subclause (I) (or that portion of subclause (III) that relates to subclause (I)) of section 205(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. COLEMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that David Hickey, who is an intern in my office, be granted floor privileges during my discussion of this amendment.

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

Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following fellows and interns be granted the privilege of the floor during consideration of the JOBS bill: Steve Beasley,

Diana Birkett, Leopold Brandenburg, Simon Chabel, Jodi George, Scott Landes, Pascal Niedermann, David Schwartz, Matt Stokes, and Trace Taxton.

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

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, pursuant to Public Law 108-199, Title VI, Section 637, appoints the following individual to serve as a member of the Helping to Enhance the Livelihood of People (HELP) Around the Globe Commission: Dr. Marty LaVor of Virginia.

NATIONAL ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 486, S. Res. 334.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 334) designating May 2004 as National Electrical Safety Month.

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

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc, and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 334) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 334

Whereas hundreds of individuals die and thousands are injured each year in electrical accidents;

Whereas there are on average 870 civilian deaths annually related to home fires caused by electrical distribution, appliances and equipment, and heating and air conditioning systems;

Whereas more than 2 people are electrocuted in the home, and 4 more in the workplace, each week;

Whereas property damage due to home fires caused by electrical distribution, appliances and equipment, and heating and air conditioning systems amounts to nearly \$1,600,000,000 annually;

Whereas following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent injury or death to thousands of individuals each year;

Whereas citizens are encouraged to check their home and workplace for possible electrical hazards to help protect lives and property;

Whereas citizens are encouraged to test their smoke detectors and ground fault circuit interrupters monthly and after every major electrical storm; and

Whereas the efforts of the Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI) and the United States Consumer Product Safety

Commission (CPSC) promote and educate the public about the importance of respecting electricity and practicing electrical safety in the home, school, and workplace: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates May 2004 as “National Electrical Safety Month”; and

(2) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe the month with appropriate programs and activities.

WELCOMING THE PRIME MINISTER OF SINGAPORE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 491, S. Res. 344.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 344) welcoming the Prime Minister of Singapore on the occasion of his visit to the United States, expressing gratitude to the Government of Singapore for its support in the reconstruction of Iraq and its strong cooperation with the United States in the campaign against terrorism, and reaffirming the commitment of the Senate to the continued expansion of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Singapore.

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

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution and preamble be agreed to en bloc, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc, and any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD, with no intervening action.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 344) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 344

Whereas the United States and Singapore have a strong and enduring friendship;

Whereas the United States and Singapore share a common vision in ensuring the continued peace, stability, and prosperity of the Asia-Pacific region;

Whereas Singapore is a member of the coalition for the reconstruction of Iraq and is a strong supporter of the efforts of the coalition to stabilize and rebuild Iraq;

Whereas Singapore is a steadfast partner with the United States in the global campaign against terrorism and has worked closely with the United States to fight terrorism around the world;

Whereas Singapore is a core member of the Proliferation Security Initiative and is committed to preventing the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction;

Whereas Singapore has provided valuable support to the United States Armed Forces, including permitting such Forces to use the state-of-the-art Changi Naval Base;

Whereas Singapore is the 11th largest trading partner of the United States;

Whereas Singapore was the first country in Asia to enter into a free trade agreement with the United States;

Whereas Singapore, which has one of the busiest ports in the world, was the first country in Asia to join the Container Security Initiative (CSI), a key initiative of the