

whether the list of case closure reasons developed under clause (i) requires modification and, to the extent the Secretary determines that modification of the list is necessary, shall publish proposed modifications for notice and comment, prior to the modifications taking effect.”.

(b) **INCLUSION IN QUARTERLY STATE REPORTS.**—Section 411 (a)(1)(A) (42 U.S.C. 611(a)(1)(A)) is amended—

(1) in clause (xvi)—

(A) in subclause (IV), by striking “or” at the end;

(B) in subclause (V), by striking the period and inserting “; or”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(VI) a reason specified in the list developed under subparagraph (C), including any modifications of such list.”;

(2) by redesignating clause (xvii) as clause (xviii); and

(3) by inserting after clause (xvi), the following:

“(xvii) The efforts the State is undertaking, and the progress with respect to such efforts, to improve the tracking of reasons for case closures.”.

SEC. 303. LONGITUDINAL STUDIES OF TANF APPLICANTS AND RECIPIENTS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 413 (42 U.S.C. 613) is amended by striking subsection (d) and inserting the following:

“(d) **LONGITUDINAL STUDIES OF APPLICANTS AND RECIPIENTS TO DETERMINE THE FACTORS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO POSITIVE EMPLOYMENT AND FAMILY OUTCOMES.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary, directly or through grants, contracts, or interagency agreements, shall conduct longitudinal studies in at least 5, and not more than 10, States (or sub-State areas, except that no such area shall be located in a State in which a State-wide study is being conducted under this paragraph) of a representative sample of families that receive, and applicants for, assistance under a State program funded under this part or under a program funded with qualified State expenditures (as defined in section 409(a)(7)(B)(i)).

“(2) **REQUIREMENTS.**—The studies conducted under this subsection shall—

“(A) follow families that cease to receive assistance, families that receive assistance throughout the study period, and families diverted from assistance programs; and

“(B) collect information on—

“(i) family and adult demographics (including race, ethnicity or national origin, primary language, gender, barriers to employment, educational status of adults, prior work history, prior history of welfare receipt);

“(ii) family income (including earnings, unemployment compensation, and child support);

“(iii) receipt of assistance, benefits, or services under other needs-based assistance programs (including the food stamp program, the medicaid program under title XIX, earned income tax credits, housing assistance, and the type and amount of any child care);

“(iv) the reasons for leaving or returning to needs-based assistance programs;

“(v) work participation status and activities (including the scope and duration of work activities and the types of industries and occupations for which training is provided);

“(vi) sanction status (including reasons for sanction);

“(vii) time limit for receipt of assistance status (including months remaining with respect to such time limit);

“(viii) recipient views regarding program participation; and

“(ix) measures of income change, poverty, extreme poverty, food security and use of

food pantries and soup kitchens, homelessness and the use of shelters, and other measures of family well-being and hardship over a 5-year period.

“(3) **COMPARABILITY OF RESULTS.**—The Secretary shall, to the extent possible, ensure that the studies conducted under this subsection produce comparable results and information.

“(4) **REPORTS.**—

“(A) **INTERIM REPORTS.**—Not later than October 1, 2008, the Secretary shall publish interim findings from at least 12 months of longitudinal data collected under the studies conducted under this subsection.

“(B) **SUBSEQUENT REPORTS.**—Not later than October 1, 2010, the Secretary shall publish findings from at least 36 months of longitudinal data collected under the studies conducted under this subsection.”.

(b) **ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 411(b) (42 U.S.C. 611(b)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by inserting “(including types of sanctions or other grant reductions)” after “financial characteristics”; and

(ii) by inserting “, disaggregated by race, ethnicity or national origin, primary language, gender, education level, and, with respect to closed cases, the reason the case was closed” before the semicolon;

(B) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” at the end;

(C) in paragraph (4), by striking the period and inserting “; and”; and

(D) by adding at the end the following:

“(5) the economic well-being of children and families receiving assistance under the State programs funded under this part and of children and families that have ceased to receive such assistance, using longitudinal matched data gathered from federally supported programs, and including State-by-State data that details the distribution of earnings and stability of employment of such families and (to the extent feasible) describes, with respect to such families, the distribution of income from known sources (including employer-reported wages, assistance under the State program funded under this part, and benefits under the food stamp program), the ratio of such families’ income to the poverty line, and the extent to which such families receive or received noncash benefits and child care assistance, disaggregated by race, ethnicity or national origin, primary language, gender, education level, whether the case remains open, and, with respect to closed cases, the reason the case was closed.”.

(2) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—Section 411(a) (42 U.S.C. 611(a)) is amended—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (7) as paragraph (8); and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (6), the following:

“(7) **REPORT ON ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF CURRENT AND FORMER RECIPIENTS.**—The report required by paragraph (1) for a fiscal quarter shall include for that quarter such information as the Secretary may specify in order for the Secretary to include in the annual reports to Congress required under subsection (b) the information described in paragraph (5) of that subsection.”.

SEC. 304. PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY.

Section 411 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 611) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(c) **PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY.**—With respect to any information concerning individuals or families receiving assistance, or applying for assistance, under the State programs funded under this part that is publicly disclosed by the Secretary, the Secretary shall ensure that such disclosure is

made in a manner that protects the privacy of such individuals and families.”.

TITLE IV—EFFECTIVE DATE

SEC. 401. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The amendments made by this Act take effect on October 1, 2005.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 196—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 STRONG COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED STATES IN THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST TERRORISM, AND REAFFIRMING THE COMMITMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE CONTINUED EXPANSION OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND SINGAPORE

Mr. BOND (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 196

Whereas Singapore is a great friend of the United States;

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

Whereas Singapore is a member of the Proliferation Security Initiative, an initiative launched by the United States in 2003 to respond to the challenges posed by the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and a committed partner of the United States in preventing the spread of weapons of mass destruction;

Whereas Singapore is a leader in the Radiation Detection Initiative, an effort by the United States to develop technology to safeguard maritime security by detecting trafficking of nuclear and radioactive material;

Whereas Singapore will soon be a partner to the United States in the Strategic Framework Agreement for Closer Cooperation in Defense and Security, an agreement which will build upon the already strong military relations between the United States and Singapore and expand the scope of defense and security cooperation between the 2 countries;

Whereas Singapore responded quickly to provide generous humanitarian relief and financial assistance to the people affected by the tragic tsunami that struck Southeast Asia in December 2004;

Whereas Singapore has joined the United States in the global struggle against terrorism, providing intelligence and offering political and diplomatic support;

Whereas Singapore is the 15th largest trading partner of the United States and the first free trade partner of the United States in the Asia-Pacific region, and the United States is the second largest trading partner of Singapore;

Whereas the relationship between the United States and Singapore extends beyond the current campaign against terrorism and is reinforced by strong ties of culture, commerce, and scientific and technical cooperation; and

Whereas the relationship between the United States and Singapore encompasses almost every field of international cooperation, including a common commitment to

fostering a stronger and more open international trading system: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) welcomes the Prime Minister of Singapore, His Excellency Lee Hsien Loong, to the United States;

(2) expresses profound gratitude to the Government of Singapore for promoting security and prosperity in Southeast Asia and cooperating with the United States in the global campaign against terrorism; and

(3) reaffirms the commitment of the United States to continue strengthening the friendship and cooperation between the United States and Singapore.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1216. Mr. DURBIN (for Mrs. BOXER) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

SA 1217. Mr. DURBIN (for Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. REID)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2360, *supra*.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1216. Mr. DURBIN (for Mrs. BOXER) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . STRENGTHENING SECURITY AT NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

(1) A taped interview shown on al-Jazeera television on September 10, 2002, included a statement that al Qaeda initially planned to include a nuclear power plant in its 2001 attacks on the United States.

(2) In 2001, David Kyd of the International Atomic Energy Agency said that if a fully fueled large jetliner hit a nuclear reactor “then the containment could be breached and the cooling system of the reactor could be impaired to the point where radioactivity might well be set free.”

(3) Dr. Edwin Lyman, a physicist and former scientific director of the Nuclear Control Institute has noted that if a nuclear power plant were hit by a large commercial passenger jet, “significant release of radiation into the environment is a very real one.”

(4) Operating nuclear reactors contain large amounts of radioactive fission products that, if dispersed, could pose a direct radiation hazard, contaminate soil and vegetation, and be ingested by humans and animals.

(5) According to the organization Three Mile Island Alert, a nuclear power plant houses more than 1,000 times the radiation that would be released in an atomic bomb blast, and the magnitude of a single terrorist attack on a nuclear power plant could cause over 100,000 deaths.

(6) The federal government has offered Governors potassium iodide pills to distribute to people living near nuclear power plants in case of an attack, but no legislation has passed to protect against an attack in the first place.

(7) In the 108th Congress, the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee approved bipartisan legislation to improve nu-

clear plant security. No action was taken by the full Senate.

(8) Last month, the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee again approved bipartisan legislation to improve nuclear plant security.

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE. It is the sense of the Senate that the Congress should pass legislation to assess the terrorist threats at each nuclear power plant and to establish new federal standards to protect against those threats.

SA 1217. Mr. DURBIN (for Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. REID)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 77, line 18, strike “\$2,694,300,000” and insert “7,694,300,000”.

On page 79, line 22, strike the colon and insert a period.

On page 79, between lines 22 and 23, insert the following:

(7) \$5,000,000,000 for interoperable communications equipment grants: *Provided*, That such amount is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress):

NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on Wednesday, July 20, 2005, at 2:30 P.M. in Room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on S. 703, to provide for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in the State of Nevada to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway, and for other purposes; S. 997, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge Forest, MT, to Jefferson County, MT; for use as a cemetery; S. 1131, to authorize the exchange of certain Federal land within the State of Idaho, and for other purposes; S. 1170, to establish the Fort Stanton-Snowy River National Cave Conservation Area; S. 1238, to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to provide for the conduct of projects that protect forests, and other purposes; and H.R. 1101, to revoke a Public Land Order with respect to certain lands erroneously included in the Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, California.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510-6150.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Tuesday, July 12, 2005, at 10 a.m. on Digital Television Transmission.

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Tuesday, July 12, 2005, at 2:30 p.m. in Digital Television Transmission.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meeting during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 12 at 10 a.m.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider the nomination of Jill L. Sigal to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs; David R. Hill to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy; and James A. Rispoli to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security be authorized to meet on Tuesday, July 12, 2005, at 2 p.m. for a hearing regarding “Improper Payments: Where are Truth and Transparency in Federal Financial Reporting?”

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Intellectual Property be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on “Music Licensing Reform” on Tuesday, July 12, 2005 at 2:30 p.m. in Dirksen 226.

Witness List:

Panel I: Marybeth Peters, U.S. Register of Copyrights, Washington, DC.

Panel II: Rob Glaser, Chairman and CEO, RealNetworks, Inc., Seattle, WA; Rick Carnes, President, Songwriters Guild of America, Nashville, TN; Glen Barros, Pres and CEO, Comcord Records, Beverly Hills, CA; Marilyn Bergman, President and Chairman, American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, New York, NY;