

Whereas the recovery and reconstruction of the devastated areas will require the concerted leadership of the United States working with the governments of the affected countries and with the international community: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) expresses its sympathy and support for the people of South Asia following the devastating earthquake that struck Pakistan, India, and Afghanistan on October 8, 2005, during the Islamic holy month of Ramadan;

(2) conveys its most sincere condolences to the families, communities, and governments of the more than 39,000 people that lost their lives in this terrible natural disaster;

(3) expresses its admiration and full support for the courageous rescue and relief workers, including personnel of the United States Agency for International Development and the United States military, who are saving lives and providing relief and assistance to those affected by the earthquake;

(4) supports the initial pledge by President George W. Bush of \$50,000,000 in humanitarian assistance, the deployment of United States military assets to the region to assist in relief and recovery efforts, and provision of additional United States assistance necessary to save lives and help the region recover from this monumental disaster;

(5) commends the ongoing international relief effort that includes the work of individual countries, numerous international organizations, and various relief and non-governmental entities;

(6) commends the Governments of Pakistan and India for their cooperation in the common cause of saving lives and providing humanitarian relief to people on both sides of the Line of Control; and

(7) encourages further cooperation between India and Pakistan on relief operations and efforts to fortify and expand peace and stability in the region as they cope with the impact of the earthquake over the next several months and seek to rehabilitate the lives of those affected.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 2060. Mr. BOND (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

SA 2061. Mr. BOND (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3058, supra.

SA 2062. Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. FEINGOLD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3058, supra.

SA 2063. Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. FEINGOLD, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. DAYTON) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3058, supra.

SA 2064. Mr. LIEBERMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3058, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2065. Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. NELSON, of Nebraska, Mr. LEVIN, and Ms. STABENOW) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3058, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2066. Mr. ENSIGN (for himself and Mr. ALLEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3058, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2067. Mr. BROWNBACK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him

to the bill H.R. 3058, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2068. Mr. BROWNBACK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3058, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 2060. Mr. BOND (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike section 719.

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Insert the following on page 348, after line 5, and renumber sections accordingly:

SEC. 321. Section 421 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1978 (12 U.S.C. §1715z-4a) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1)(A), by inserting after “is” the following: “or, at the time of the violations, was”; and

(2) in subsection (a)(1)(C), by inserting after “held” the following: “or, at the time of the violations, was insured or held”.

SA 2062. Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. FEINGOLD) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . . . NO COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no adjustment shall be made under section 601(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 31) (relating to cost of living adjustments for Members of Congress) during fiscal year 2006.

SA 2063. Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. FEINGOLD, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. DAYTON) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . . . MINIMUM WAGE.

(a) INCREASE IN THE MINIMUM WAGE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1)) is amended to read as follows:

“(1) except as otherwise provided in this section, not less than—

“(A) \$5.85 an hour, beginning on the 60th day after the date of enactment of the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2005;

“(B) \$6.55 an hour, beginning 12 months after that 60th day; and

“(C) \$7.25 an hour, beginning 24 months after that 60th day;”.

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall take effect 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) APPLICABILITY OF MINIMUM WAGE TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6 of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206) shall apply to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

(2) TRANSITION.—Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the minimum wage applicable to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands under section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1)) shall be—

(A) \$3.55 an hour, beginning on the 60th day after the date of enactment of this Act; and

(B) increased by \$0.50 an hour (or such lesser amount as may be necessary to equal the minimum wage under section 6(a)(1) of such Act), beginning 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act and every 6 months thereafter until the minimum wage applicable to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands under this subsection is equal to the minimum wage set forth in such section.

SA 2064. Mr. LIEBERMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was order to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 251, strike line 23 and all that follows through page 252, line 11, and insert the following: “of the Corporation: *Provided further*, That the Corporation, during the 1-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, may not assess or collect maintenance or access fees from any commuter rail authority operating along the Northeast Corridor”.

SA 2065. Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. LEVIN, and Ms. STABENOW) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 229, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

(c) Section 47114(c)(1)(F) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by striking “and 2005” each place it appears in the text and in the heading and inserting “, 2005, and 2006”.

SA 2066. Mr. ENSIGN (for himself and Mr. ALLEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and