

DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER AS  
"NATIONAL YOUTH COURT  
MONTH"

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 583, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 583) designating September 2006 as "National Youth Court Month."

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

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The resolution (S. Res. 583) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 583

Whereas a strong country begins with strong communities in which all citizens play an active role and invest in the success and future of the youth of the United States;

Whereas the fifth National Youth Court Month celebrates the outstanding achievement of youth courts throughout the country;

Whereas in 2005, more than 110,000 youths volunteered to hear more than 115,000 juvenile cases, and more than 20,000 adults volunteered to facilitate peer justice in youth court programs;

Whereas 1,158 youth court programs in 49 States and the District of Columbia provide restorative justice for juvenile offenders, resulting in effective crime prevention, early intervention and education for all youth participants, and enhanced public safety throughout the United States;

Whereas, by holding juvenile offenders accountable, reconciling victims, communities, juvenile offenders, and their families, and reducing caseloads for the juvenile justice system, youth courts address offenses that might otherwise go unaddressed until the offending behavior escalates and redirects the efforts of juvenile offenders toward becoming contributing members of their communities;

Whereas Federal, State, and local governments, corporations, foundations, service organizations, educational institutions, juvenile justice agencies, and individual adults support youth courts because youth court programs actively promote and contribute to building successful, productive lives and futures for the youth of the United States;

Whereas a fundamental correlation exists between youth service and lifelong adult commitment to and involvement in one's community;

Whereas volunteer service and related service learning opportunities enable young people to build character and develop and enhance life-skills, such as responsibility, decision-making, time management, teamwork, public speaking, and leadership, which prospective employers will value; and

Whereas participating in youth court programs encourages youth court members to become valuable members of their communities: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate designates September 2006 as "National Youth Court Month".

SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL  
AUTHORIZATION

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 584, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 584) to authorize the production of records, testimony, and legal representation.

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

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions has received a request from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia for records of the committee and testimony by committee staff relevant to an investigation it is conducting into a Presidential nominee's financial disclosure to the committee during confirmation proceedings. The chair and ranking member of the committee would like to cooperate with this request.

Accordingly, in keeping with Senate rules and practice, this resolution would authorize the committee to produce documents for use in this investigation. The resolution would also authorize testimony by committee staff, with representation by the Senate Legal Counsel.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 584) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 584

Whereas, the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia is conducting an investigation of the financial disclosures made by Dr. Lester Crawford to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions in connection with confirmation proceedings on Dr. Crawford's nomination to be Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration;

Whereas, the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions has received a request from the United States Attorney's Office for testimony of three employees of the Committee and for records of the Committee relevant to the investigation;

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 704(a)(2) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. 288b(a) and 288c(a)(2), the Senate may direct its counsel to represent employees of the Senate with respect to any subpoena, order, or request for testimony relating to their official responsibilities;

Whereas, by the privileges of the Senate of the United States and Rule XI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, no evidence under the control or in the possession of the Senate can, by administrative or judicial process, be taken from such control or possession but by permission of the Senate; and

Whereas, when it appears that evidence under the control or in the possession of the Senate is needed for the promotion of jus-

tice, the Senate will take such action as will promote the ends of justice consistent with the privileges of the Senate: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions is authorized to produce documents and committee staff are authorized to testify in these and related proceedings, except where a privilege should be asserted.

SEC. 2. The Senate Legal Counsel is authorized to represent employees of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions in connection with the document production and testimony authorized in section one of this resolution.

SENSE OF THE CONGRESS THAT STATES SHOULD REQUIRE CANDIDATES FOR DRIVER'S LICENSES TO DEMONSTRATE ABILITY TO EXERCISE INCREASED CAUTION

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Commerce Committee be discharged from further consideration and the Senate proceed to H. Con. Res. 235.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 235) expressing the sense of the Congress that States should require candidates for driver's licenses to demonstrate an ability to exercise greatly increased caution when driving in the proximity of a potentially visually impaired individual.

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

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider laid upon the table.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 235) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2006

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 613, S. 3679.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3679) to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill which had been reported from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

S. 3679

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