

SEC. . CONFIDENTIAL PROVISION FOR CERTAIN ALIEN BATTERED SPOUSES AND CHILDREN.

(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to information provided pursuant to section 150(b)(C) of this Act and except as provided in subsection (b), in no case may the Attorney General, or any other official or employee of the Department of Justice (including any bureau or agency of such department)—

(1) make an adverse determination of admissibility or deportability of an alien under the Immigration and Nationality Act using only information furnished solely by—

(A) a spouse or parent who has battered the alien or the alien's children or subjected the alien or the alien's children to extreme cruelty, or

(B) a member of the alien's spouse's or parent's family who has battered the alien or the alien's child or subjected the alien or alien's child to extreme cruelty,

unless the alien has been convicted of a crime or crimes listed in section 241(a)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act;

(2) make any publication whereby information furnished by any particular individual can be identified;

(3) permit anyone other than the sworn officers and employees of the Department, bureau or agency, who needs to examine such information for legitimate Department, bureau, or agency purposes, to examine any publication of any individual who files for relief as a person who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty.

(b) EXCEPTIONS.—(1) The Attorney General may provide for the furnishing of information furnished under this section in the same manner and circumstances as census information may be disclosed by the Secretary of Commerce under section 8 of title 13, United States Code

(2) The Attorney General may provide for the furnishing of information furnished under this section to law enforcement officials to be used solely for legitimate law enforcement purposes.

SEC. . DEVELOPMENT OF PROTOTYPE OF COUNTERFEIT-RESISTANT SOCIAL SECURITY CARD REQUIRED.

(a) DEVELOPMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commissioner of Social Security (hereafter in this section referred to as the "Commissioner") shall in accordance with the provisions of this section develop a prototype of a counterfeit-resistant social security card. Such prototype card shall—

(A) be made of a durable, tamper-resistant material such as plastic or polyester,

(B) employ technologies that provide security features, such as magnetic stripes, holograms, and integrated circuits, and

(C) be developed so as to provide individuals with reliable proof of citizenship or legal resident alien status.

(2) ASSISTANCE BY ATTORNEY GENERAL.—The Attorney General of the United States shall provide such information and assistance as the Commissioner deems necessary to achieve the purposes of this section.

(b) STUDY AND REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commissioner shall conduct a study and issue a report to Congress which examines different methods of improving the social security card application process.

(2) ELEMENTS OF STUDY.—The study shall include an evaluation of the cost and work load implications of issuing a counterfeit-resistant social security card for all individuals over a 3, 5, and 10 year period. The study shall also evaluate the feasibility and cost implications of imposing a user fee for replacement cards and cards issued to individuals who apply for such a card prior to the scheduled 3, 5, and 10 year phase-in options.

(3) DISTRIBUTION OF REPORT.—Copies of the report described in this subsection along with a facsimile of the prototype card as described in subsection (a) shall be submitted to the Committees on Ways and Means and Judiciary of the House of Representatives and the Committees on Finance and Judiciary of the Senate within 1 year of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated and are appropriated from the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

Page 15, lines 12 through 14, strike: "(other than a document used under section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act)"

NOTICES OF HEARINGS

JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Joint Committee on the Library of Congress will meet in SR-301, Russell Senate Office Building, on Tuesday, May 7, 1996 at 10 a.m. to receive testimony on a report done by the General Accounting Office on the Library of Congress.

For further information concerning the hearing, please contact Chuck Frost of the committee staff on (202) 224-8312.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs will conduct an oversight hearing during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 9, 1996 at 9:30 a.m. on the impact of the U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision in Seminole Tribe versus Florida. The hearing will be held in room G-50 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Those wishing additional information should contact the Committee on Indian Affairs at 224-2251.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services and the associated subcommittees be authorized to meet on Thursday, May 2, 1996, for markup of the fiscal year 1997 defense authorization bill.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Environment and Public Works be granted permission to conduct a hearing Thursday, May 2, at 2:30 p.m., hearing room (SD-406), to receive testimony from Hubert T. Bell, Jr., nominated by the President to be Inspector General, Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 2, 1996, at 10 a.m., to hold an executive business meeting.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 2, 1996, at 2 p.m. to hold a nominations hearing.

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

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE WHITE-WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED MATTERS

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee to investigate Whitewater Development and Related Matters be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 2, 1996, to conduct hearings pursuant to Senate Resolution 120.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 2, 1996 at 2 p.m. to hold a closed hearing on intelligence matters.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOREST AND PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 2, 1996, for purposes of conducting a subcommittee hearing which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this hearing is to consider S. 1401, Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Amendments Act of 1995; and S. 1194, to amend the Mining and Mineral Policy Act of 1970 to promote the research, identification, assessment, and exploration of marine mineral resources.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PARKS, HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND RECREATION

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 2, 1996, for purposes of conducting a subcommittee hearing which is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. The purpose of this hearing is to consider S. 742, a bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to limit acquisition of land on the 39-mile segment of the Missouri River, Nebraska and South Dakota, designated as a recreational river, to