

3. A child's ability to learn, develop healthy family and social relationships, resist peer pressure, and control violent impulses depends on the quality and quantity of brain stimulation he receives. Research shows that children exposed to negative brain stimulation in the form of physical and sexual abuse and violence in the family or community causes the brain to be miswired making it difficult for the child to be successful in life. Intervention early in a child's life to correct the miswiring is much more successful than adult rehabilitation efforts.

(b) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall award grants, enter into contracts or cooperative agreements to public and non-profit private entities, as well as to Indian tribes, Native Hawaiians, and Alaska Native non-profit corporations to establish national and regional centers of excellence on psychological trauma response and to identify the best practices for treating psychiatric and behavioral disorders resulting from children witnessing or experiencing such stress.

(c) **PRIORITIES.**—In awarding grants, contracts or cooperative agreements under subsection (a) related to the identifying best practices for treating disorders associated with psychological trauma, the Secretary shall give priority to programs that work with children, adolescents, adults, and families who are survivors and witnesses of child abuse, domestic, school, and community violence, and disasters.

(d) **GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION.**—The Secretary shall ensure that grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements under subsection (a) with respect to centers of excellence are distributed equitably among the regions of the country and among urban and rural areas.

(e) **EVALUATION.**—The Secretary shall require that each applicant for a grant, contract or cooperative agreement under subsection (a) submit a plan as part of his application for the rigorous evaluation of the activities funded under the grant, contract or agreement, including both process and outcomes evaluation, and the submission of an evaluation at the end of the project period.

(f) **DURATION OF AWARDS.**—With respect to a grant, contract or cooperative agreement under this section, the period during which payments under such an award will be made to the recipient may not be less than 3 years. Such grants, contract or agreement may be renewed.

(g) **REPORT.**—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this section, the General Accounting Office shall prepare and submit to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on Commerce of the House of Representatives a report concerning whether individuals are covered for post-traumatic stress disorders under public and private health plans, and the course of treatment, if any, that is covered.

(h) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this section fiscal year 2000 and subsequent fiscal years.

WELLSTONE (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 364

Mr. WELLSTONE (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. DURBIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 254, supra; as follows:

On page 129, strike lines 6 through 14, and insert the following:

“(24) address juvenile delinquency prevention efforts and system improvement efforts designed to reduce, without establishing or requiring numerical standards or quotas, the

disproportionate number of juvenile members of racial minority groups who come into contact with the juvenile justice system.

MCCONNELL AMENDMENT NO. 365

Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill S. 254, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . PROHIBITION ON PROMOTING VIOLENCE ON FEDERAL PROPERTY.

(a) **GENERAL RULE.**—A Federal department or agency that—

(1) considers a request from an individual or entity for the use of any property, facility, equipment, or personnel of the department or agency, or for any other cooperation from the department or agency, to film a motion picture or television production for commercial purposes; and

(2) makes a determination as to whether granting a request described in paragraph (1) is consistent with—

(A) United States policy;

(B) the mission or interest of the department or agency; or

(C) the public interest;

shall not grant such a request without considering whether such motion picture or television production glorifies or endorses wanton and gratuitous violence.

(b) **EXCEPTION.**—Subsection (a) shall not apply to—

(1) any bona fide newsreel or news television production; or

(2) any public service announcement.

SMITH (AND JEFFORDS) AMENDMENT NO. 366

Mr. LOTT (for Mr. SMITH of Oregon for himself and Mr. JEFFORDS) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 254 supra; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . PROVISIONS RELATING TO PAWN AND OTHER GUN TRANSACTIONS.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the repeal of paragraph (1) and amendment of paragraph (2) made by subsection (c) with the heading “Provision Relating to Pawn and Other Transactions” of section 4 of the title with the heading “General Firearms Provisions” shall be null and void.

(b) **COMPLIANCE.**—Except as to the State and local planing and zoning requirements for a licensed premises as provided in subparagraph (D), a special licensee shall be subject to all the provisions of this chapter applicable to dealers, including, but not limited to, the performance of an instant background check.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a full committee hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Thursday, May 27, 1999 at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider the nomination of David L.

Goldwyn to be an Assistant Secretary for International Affairs at the Department of Energy.

For further information, please contact David Dye of the Committee staff at (202) 224-0624.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be permitted to meet Wednesday, May 19, 1999 beginning at 10 a.m. in room SH-215, to conduct a markup.

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

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 19, 1999 at 9:30 a.m. to conduct a hearing on S. 613, that Indian Tribal Economic Development and Contract Encouragement Act of 1999, and S. 614, the Indian Tribal Regulatory Reform and Business Development Act of 1999. The hearing will be held in room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 19, 1999 at 2 p.m. to hold a closed hearing on intelligence matters.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 19, for purposes of conducting a Full Committee business meeting which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this business meeting is to consider pending calendar business. (See Attached)

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ALLAN “BUD” SELIG, COMMISSIONER OF MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

● Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I rise to commend Mr. Allan “Bud” Selig for his tireless efforts to make the recent baseball series between the Cuban National Team and the Baltimore Orioles a reality. Not only did this series bring together teams from two nations with a great love of baseball, but it bridged a gap between two peoples who share a great deal in common.