

will describe the actions the agencies are taking and plan to take to prevent the spread of Mad Cow and other livestock diseases and make recommendations for the future prevention of the spread of this disease to the United States. The Task Force should also consider and report on foot-and-mouth disease, chronic wasting disease and other diseases associated with our meat industries. I urge my colleagues to support its speedy passage.

I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 700

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

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the "Mad Cow and Related Diseases Prevention Act of 2001".

**SEC. 2. INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established a Federal interagency task force, to be chaired by the Secretary of Agriculture, for the purpose of coordinating actions to prevent the outbreak of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (commonly known as "mad cow disease"), foot-and mouth disease and related diseases in the United States.

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—The membership of the task force shall be composed of—

- (1) the Secretary of Agriculture;
- (2) the Secretary of Commerce;
- (3) the Secretary of Health and Human Services;
- (4) the Secretary of the Treasury;
- (5) the Commissioner of Food and Drug;
- (6) the Director of the National Institutes of Health;
- (7) the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- (8) the Commissioner of Customs;
- (9) the Secretary of State;
- (10) the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and
- (11) the heads of such other Federal departments and agencies as the President considers appropriate.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the task force shall submit to Congress a report that—

- (1) describes actions that are being taken, and will be taken, to prevent the outbreak of bovine spongiform encephalopathy, foot-and-mouth disease and related diseases in the United States; and
- (2) contains any recommendations for legislative and regulatory actions that should be taken to prevent the outbreak of bovine spongiform encephalopathy, foot-and-mouth disease and related diseases in the United States.

STATEMENTS ON SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 31—COMMENDING CLEAR CHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS AND THE AMERICAN FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND EFFORTS FOR PROTECTING CHILDREN BY PROVIDING A VITAL MEANS FOR LOCATING THE NATION'S MISSING, KIDNAPPED, AND RUNAWAY CHILDREN

Mr. THOMPSON submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. CON. RES. 31

Whereas children are the Nation's greatest asset for the future;

Whereas more than 800,000 children disappear each year in the United States, and the problem of missing, kidnapped, and runaway children potentially affects every community in the Nation;

Whereas the United States is committed to the protection of its children as essential for the Nation's strong and vital growth;

Whereas Clear Channel Communications and the American Football Coaches Association are making the United States the world leader in the protection of children by providing 60,000,000 Inkless Child Identification Kits for use by parents;

Whereas these kits allow parents to keep vital information, current photographs, and fingerprints readily available to provide to law enforcement agencies throughout the Nation in the event of an emergency; and

Whereas Clear Channel Communications and the American Football Coaches Association, through the efforts of board members, officers, employees, and subsidiary companies and the leadership of Lowry Mays, Mark Mays, and Grant Teaff, display an outstanding dedication to the children in communities throughout the Nation: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Congress commends Clear Channel Communications and the American Football Coaches Association for their dedication and efforts for protecting children by providing a vital means for locating the Nation's missing, kidnapped, and runaway children.*

Mr. THOMPSON. Mr. President, today I rise to introduce a resolution commending Clear Channel Communications and the American Football Coaches Association, AFCA, for their efforts to protect children by providing a vital means for locating America's missing, kidnapped, and runaway children.

In 1997, the AFCA created the National Child Identification Program with a goal of fingerprinting 20 million children across the country. The AFCA began the program after discovering some startling statistics regarding missing children. The statistics showed that every year 450,000 children run away, 350,000 are abducted by a family member, and over 4,500 are abducted by a stranger. A total of 800,000 children are missing somewhere in America each year, that is one child every 40 seconds.

The National Child Identification Program provides free inkless fingerprint kits for children. These kits allow parents to take and store their child's fingerprints in their own home. If ever needed, this fingerprint record can give authorities vital information to assist them in their efforts to locate a missing child. In its first year, the AFCA distributed 2.1 million child I.D. kits at college football games across the country. To date, there have been 12 million free child I.D. kits distributed.

I am proud to say that many in Tennessee have contributed to this effort. Phil Fulmer, Head Football Coach at the University of Tennessee, has been an active participant in this program. With his help, the AFCA was able to distribute over 200,000 I.D. kits at University of Tennessee football games. Last year, Tennessee Governor Don Sundquist declared March 2000 as "Child Identification Awareness Month" and acknowledged that the program will affect the lives of children all over Tennessee.

Last year, Clear Channel Communications, a Texas-based media company, partnered with AFCA to raise funds to provide 60 million schoolchildren with free I.D. kits. They have committed to raising \$78 million over the next three years for this effort.

This revolution gives special recognition to the American Football Coaches Association and Clear Channel Communications for their efforts. I ask my colleagues to join me in supporting this resolution.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 32—HONORING THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS FOR ITS 135 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AND THEIR ANIMALS

Mr. DURBIN submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. CON. RES. 32

Whereas April 10, 2001, is the 135th anniversary of the founding of The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals ("ASPCA");

Whereas ASPCA has provided services to millions of people and their animals since its establishment in 1866 in New York City by Henry Bergh;

Whereas ASPCA was the first humane society established in the western hemisphere;

Whereas ASPCA teaches children the character-building virtues of compassion, kindness, and respect for all God's creatures;

Whereas the dedicated directors, staff, and volunteers of ASPCA have provided shelter, medical care, behavioral counseling, and placement for abandoned, abused, or homeless animals in the United States for more than a century; and

Whereas ASPCA, through its observance of April as Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month and its promotion of humane animal treatment through programs on law enforcement, education, shelter outreach, poison control, legislative affairs, counseling, veterinary services, and behavioral training,