

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with amendments:

S. 274. A bill to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants, and for other purposes.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. REED, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BREAU, Mr. EDWARDS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. REID):

S. 1162. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to accelerate the increase in the refundability of the child tax credit, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON:

S. 1163. A bill to condition receipt of certain State revolving funds on the restriction of development or construction of new colonia and colonia structures along the border between the United States and Mexico; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. JEFFORDS, Ms. CANTWELL, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 1164. A bill to provide for the development and coordination of a comprehensive and integrated United States research program that assists the people of the United States and the world to understand, assess, and predict human-induced and natural processes of abrupt climate change; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 1165. A bill to amend the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century to provide from the Highway Trust Fund additional funding for Indian reservation roads, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. VOINOVICH, and Mr. SUNUNU):

S. 1166. A bill to establish a Department of Defense national security personnel system and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BOND:

S. 1167. A bill to resolve the boundary conflicts in Barry and Stone Counties in the State of Missouri; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 171

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 171, a bill to amend the title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide payment to medicare ambulance suppliers of the full costs of providing such services, and for other purposes.

S. 253

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the names of the Senator from Massachu-

setts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) were added as cosponsors of S. 253, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns.

S. 271

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 271, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an additional advance refunding of bonds originally issued to finance governmental facilities used for essential governmental functions.

S. 348

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 348, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make higher education more affordable, and for other purposes.

S. 363

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 363, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide that the reductions in social security benefits which are required in the case of spouses and surviving spouses who are also receiving certain Government pensions shall be equal to the amount by which two-thirds of the total amount of the combined monthly benefit (before reduction) and monthly pension exceeds \$1,200, adjusted for inflation.

S. 392

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SUNUNU) were added as cosponsors of S. 392, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive both military retired pay by reason of their years of military service and disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability.

S. 567

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 567, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize appropriations for sewer overflow control grants.

S. 665

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 665, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for farmers and fisherman, and for other purposes.

S. 786

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 786, a bill to amend the tem-

porary assistance to needy families program under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to provide grants for transitional jobs programs, and for other purposes.

S. 787

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 787, a bill to provide for the fair treatment of the Federal judiciary relating to compensation and benefits, and to instill greater public confidence in the Federal courts.

S. 816

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 816, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect and preserve access of medicare beneficiaries to health care provided by hospitals in rural areas, and for other purposes.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to permit States the option to provide medicaid coverage for low income individuals infected with HIV.

S. 856

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 856, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the incentives for the construction and renovation of public schools.

S. 884

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 884, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide certain substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 922

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 922, a bill to change the requirements for naturalization through service in the Armed Forces of the United States, to extend naturalization benefits to members of the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve of a reserve component of the Armed Forces, to extend posthumous benefits to surviving spouses, children, and parents, and for other purposes.

S. 939

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 939, a bill to amend part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education