

China must know and the world must know that denial of basic human rights will no longer be tolerated. Dr. Yang is just one of the many, who suffer daily under the harsh rule of those who refuse to embrace democracy. We must let his story and his voice be heard for the millions of others who can not speak out. Let us continue to pressure the People's Republic of China and let us continue to stand for what is right and just around the world.

SENATE RESOLUTION 185—EX-PRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE WITH RESPECT TO RAISING AWARENESS AND ENCOURAGING EDUCATION ABOUT SAFETY ON THE INTERNET AND SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL INTERNET SAFETY MONTH

Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. INOUE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 185

Whereas, in the United States, 48 million children between the ages of 5 and 17 use computers;

Whereas 5 to 17 year-olds in the United States currently spend 5 billion hours on-line annually;

Whereas 70 million youth under the age of 18 worldwide are on-line;

Whereas the majority of teenagers' on-line use occurs after school, at home, when working parents are not at home;

Whereas 90 percent of those age 15 to 24 use the Internet, with almost half of them using it once a day or more;

Whereas approximately 3 out of 4 young people have access to the Internet at home, and nearly 1 in 3 has access from their own bedroom;

Whereas 9 out of 10 children between ages 8 and 16 have viewed pornography on the Internet, with most being accessed unintentionally when, often in the process of doing homework, a child used a seemingly innocent sounding word in an Internet search for information or pictures;

Whereas 62 percent of parents of teenagers are unaware that their children have accessed objectionable websites;

Whereas 89 percent of sexual solicitations were made in either chat rooms or Instant Messages;

Whereas 30 percent of the girls responding to a Girl Scout research study reported that they had been sexually harassed in a chat room, but only 7 percent told a parent about the harassment, most fearing their parents would overreact and ban computer usage altogether;

Whereas, in 1996, the Federal Bureau of Investigation was involved in 113 cases involving Internet crimes against children, but in 2001, the FBI opened 1,541 cases against suspects of Internet crimes involving child pornography or abuse; and

Whereas June as National Internet Safety Month will provide national awareness of the dangers of the Internet while offering education about how to be safe, responsible, and accountable on the Internet: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) National Internet Safety Month provides an opportunity to educate the people of the United States on the dangers of the

Internet and the importance of being safe and responsible on-line;

(2) national and community organizations should be recognized and applauded for their work in promoting awareness of the dangers of the Internet and for providing information on developing the critical thinking and decision-making skills to be safe on-line; and

(3) Internet safety organizations, law enforcement, educators, and volunteers should increase their efforts to raise the awareness of on-line safety.

SENATE RESOLUTION 186—COMMENDING AUGUST HIEBERT FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY

Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted the following resolution; which was ordered held at the desk:

S. RES. 186

Whereas Augie Hiebert came to Alaska in 1939 and built the first successful commercial radio station;

Whereas on Dec. 7, 1941, Augie Hiebert picked up the first report of the raid on Pearl Harbor from his radio station in Fairbanks, Alaska giving military leaders the first word of the attack that began World War II;

Whereas in 1953, Augie Hiebert founded Alaska's first television station;

Whereas Augie Hiebert established Alaska's first FM radio station and was named president of the Alaska Broadcasting system, overseeing the affiliation of nine stations that serve all major Alaska communities;

Whereas Augie Heibert helped establish Alaska's first satellite earth station activated in 1970;

Whereas Augie Heibert led in the development of the Territory and State of Alaska, working for over a half century to pioneer modern radio and television on behalf of the broadcast industry;

Whereas Augie Hiebert has been a pillar of the Alaska community as president of the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce and the Association of the U.S. Army in Alaska, and as director of the Alaska Educational Broadcasting Committee, the CBS Television Network Affiliates Association, the Civil Air Patrol, and the Pioneers of Alaska: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that Augie Hiebert is commended for his service to the communications industry in Alaska and the world and for bringing the best that broadcasting has to offer to the people of Alaska.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1044. Mr. BAYH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1045. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1046. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1047. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the

bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1048. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1049. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1050. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1051. Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. PRYOR, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1052. Mr. EDWARDS (for himself and Mr. HARKIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1053. Mr. AKAKA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1054. Mr. FEINGOLD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1055. Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. LAUTENBERG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1004 proposed by Mrs. HUTCHISON to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1056. Mr. SHELBY (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. LOTT, and Mrs. MURRAY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1057. Mrs. DOLE (for herself and Mr. EDWARDS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1058. Mr. CRAIG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1059. Mr. HATCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1060. Mr. BAUCUS (for Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for himself, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. CHAFEE, and Mr. GRAHAM, of South Carolina)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1061. Mr. BAUCUS (for Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. INOUE)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1062. Mr. REID (for Mrs. BOXER) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 974 proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. KOHL) to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1063. Ms. COLLINS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1064. Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. SMITH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1065. Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mrs. LINCOLN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1066. Mr. BINGAMAN proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1067. Mrs. LINCOLN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1068. Mrs. LINCOLN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1069. Mrs. LINCOLN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1070. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1071. Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. SMITH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1072. Mr. ROCKEFELLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1073. Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Ms. CANTWELL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1074. Mr. COLEMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1075. Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. LEVIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1076. Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. LEVIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1077. Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. LEVIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1078. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1079. Mr. LEVIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1080. Mr. DEWINE (for himself and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1081. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1082. Mr. CONRAD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1083. Mr. COLEMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1084. Mr. VOINOVICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1085. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1086. Ms. MURKOWSKI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1087. Mr. GRASSLEY (for Mr. CRAIG) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1088. Mr. BAUCUS (for Ms. MIKULSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1089. Mr. BAUCUS (for Ms. MIKULSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1090. Mr. BAUCUS (for Ms. MIKULSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1091. Mr. BAUCUS (for Ms. MIKULSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1092. Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1, supra.

SA 1093. Mr. KYL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1092 proposed by Mr.

GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill S. 1, supra.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1044. Mr. BAYH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ URBAN HEALTH PROVIDER ADJUSTMENT.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Beginning with fiscal year 2004, notwithstanding section 1923(f) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396r-4(f)) and subject to subsection (c), with respect to a State, payment adjustments made under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) to a hospital described in subsection (b) shall be made without regard to the DSH allotment limitation for the State determined under section 1923(f) of that Act (42 U.S.C. 1396r-4(f)).

(b) **HOSPITAL DESCRIBED.**—A hospital is described in this subsection if the hospital—

(1) is owned or operated by a State (as defined for purposes of title XIX of the Social Security Act), or by an instrumentality or a municipal governmental unit within a State (as so defined) as of January 1, 2003; and

(2) is located in Marion County, Indiana.

(c) **LIMITATION.**—The payment adjustment described in subsection (a) for fiscal year 2004 and each fiscal year thereafter shall not exceed 175 percent of the costs of furnishing hospital services described in section 1923(g)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396r-4(g)(1)(A)).

SA 1045. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title IV, add the following:

SEC. ____ DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FOR EXCLUSION OF BRACHYTHERAPY DEVICES FROM PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM FOR OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES.

(a) **DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.**—The Secretary shall conduct a demonstration project under part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act under which brachytherapy devices shall be excluded from the prospective payment system for outpatient hospital services under the medicare program and, notwithstanding section 1833(t) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395l(t)), the amount of payment for a device of brachytherapy furnished under the demonstration project shall be equal to the hospital's charges for each device furnished, adjusted to cost.

(b) **SPECIFICATION OF GROUPS FOR BRACHYTHERAPY DEVICES.**—The Secretary shall create additional groups of covered OPD services that classify devices of brachytherapy furnished under the demonstration project separately from the other services (or group of services) paid for under section 1833(t) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395l(t)) in a manner reflecting the number, isotope, and radioactive intensity of such devices furnished, including separate

groups for palladium-103 and iodine-125 devices.

(c) **DURATION.**—The Secretary shall conduct the demonstration project under this section for the 3-year period beginning on the date that is 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(d) **REPORT.**—Not later than January 1, 2007, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on the demonstration project conducted under this section. The report shall include an evaluation of patient outcomes under the demonstration project, as well as an analysis of the cost effectiveness of the demonstration project.

(e) **WAIVER AUTHORITY.**—The Secretary shall waive compliance with the requirements of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to such extent and for such period as the Secretary determines is necessary to conduct the demonstration project under this section.

(f) **FUNDING.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall provide for the transfer from the Federal Supplementary Insurance Trust Fund established under section 1841 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395t) of such funds as are necessary for the costs of carrying out the demonstration project under this section.

(2) **BUDGET NEUTRALITY.**—In conducting the demonstration project under this section, the Secretary shall ensure that the aggregate payments made by the Secretary do not exceed the amount which the Secretary would have paid if the demonstration project under this section was not implemented.

SA 1046. Mr. CHAMBLISS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the medicare program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title IV, add the following:

SEC. ____ DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FOR COVERAGE OF SURGICAL FIRST ASSISTING SERVICES OF CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE FIRST ASSISTANTS.

(a) **DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.**—The Secretary shall conduct a demonstration project under part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act under which payment is made for surgical first assisting services furnished by a certified registered nurse first assistant to medicare beneficiaries.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **SURGICAL FIRST ASSISTING SERVICES.**—The term "surgical first assisting services" means services consisting of first assisting a physician with surgery and related preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative care (as determined by the Secretary) furnished by a certified registered nurse first assistant (as defined in paragraph (2)) which the certified registered nurse first assistant is legally authorized to perform by the State in which the services are performed.

(2) **CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE FIRST ASSISTANT.**—The term "certified registered nurse first assistant" means an individual who—

(A) is a registered nurse and is licensed to practice nursing in the State in which the surgical first assisting services are performed;

(B) has completed a minimum of 2,000 hours of first assisting a physician with surgery and related preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative care; and

(C) is certified as a registered nurse first assistant by an organization recognized by the Secretary.