

(1) SALES, ETC.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to sales and uses on or after the first day of the first month which begins more than 4 weeks after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) DELIVERIES.—For purposes of paragraph (1) and section 4131 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, in the case of sales on or before the effective date described in such paragraph for which delivery is made after such date, the delivery date shall be considered the sale date.

SEC. 202. ADDITION OF VACCINES AGAINST INFLUENZA TO LIST OF TAXABLE VACCINES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4132(a)(1) (defining taxable vaccine), as amended by this Act, is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(N) Any trivalent vaccine against influenza.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(1) SALES, ETC.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to sales and uses on or after the later of—

(A) the first day of the first month which begins more than 4 weeks after the date of the enactment of this Act, or

(B) the date on which the Secretary of Health and Human Services lists any vaccine against influenza for purposes of compensation for any vaccine-related injury or death through the Vaccine Injury Compensation Trust Fund.

(2) DELIVERIES.—For purposes of paragraph (1) and section 4131 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, in the case of sales on or before the effective date described in such paragraph for which delivery is made after such date, the delivery date shall be considered the sale date.

SEC. 203. EXTENSION OF TRANSFERS OF EXCESS PENSION ASSETS TO RETIREE HEALTH ACCOUNTS.

(a) AMENDMENT OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986.—Paragraph (5) of section 420(b) (relating to expiration) is amended by striking “December 31, 2005” and inserting “December 31, 2013”.

(b) AMENDMENTS OF ERISA.—

(1) Section 101(e)(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1021(e)(3)) is amended by striking “Tax Relief Extension Act of 1999” and inserting “Tax Relief Extension Act of 2003”.

(2) Section 403(c)(1) of such Act (29 U.S.C. 1103(c)(1)) is amended by striking “Tax Relief Extension Act of 1999” and inserting “Tax Relief Extension Act of 2003”.

(3) Paragraph (13) of section 408(b) of such Act (29 U.S.C. 1108(b)(3)) is amended—

(A) by striking “January 1, 2006” and inserting “January 1, 2014”, and

(B) by striking “Tax Relief Extension Act of 1999” and inserting “Tax Relief Extension Act of 2003”.

SEC. 204. EXTENSION OF IRS USER FEES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7528(c) (relating to termination) is amended by striking “December 31, 2004” and inserting “December 31, 2011”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to requests after the date of the enactment of this Act.

By Mrs. DOLE:

S.J. Res. 25. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to the line item veto; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mrs. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

S. J. RES. 25

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within seven years after the date of its submission by the Congress:

“ARTICLE—

“SECTION 1. Congress shall have the power to enact a line-item veto.”.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED & PROPOSED

SA 2203. Mr. THOMAS (for Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM, of Florida)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1156, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and enhance the provision of health care for veterans, to authorize major construction projects and other facilities matters for the Department of Veterans Affairs, to enhance and improve authorities relating to the administration of personnel of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

SA 2204. Mr. THOMAS (for Mr. SPECTER) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1156, supra.

SA 2205. Mr. THOMAS (for Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM, of Florida)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2297, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

SA 2206. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 671, to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty, to make other technical amendments to the trade laws, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 2203. Mr. THOMAS (for Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM of Florida)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1156, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and enhance the provision of health care for veterans, to authorize major construction projects and other facilities matters for the Department of Veterans Affairs, to enhance and improve authorities relating to the administration of personnel of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Veterans Health Care, Capital Asset, and Business Improvement Act of 2003”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
Sec. 2. References to title 38, United States Code.

TITLE I—HEALTH CARE AUTHORITIES AND RELATED MATTERS

Sec. 101. Improved benefits for former prisoners of war.

Sec. 102. Provision of health care to veterans who participated in certain Department of Defense chemical and biological warfare testing.

Sec. 103. Eligibility for Department of Veterans Affairs health care for certain Filipino World War II veterans residing in the United States.

Sec. 104. Enhancement of rehabilitative services.

Sec. 105. Enhanced agreement authority for provision of nursing home care and adult day health care in contract facilities.

Sec. 106. Five-year extension of period for provision of noninstitutional extended-care services and required nursing home care.

Sec. 107. Expansion of Department of Veterans Affairs pilot program on assisted living for veterans.

Sec. 108. Improvement of program for provision of specialized mental health services to veterans.

TITLE II—CONSTRUCTION AND FACILITIES MATTERS

Subtitle A—Program Authorities

Sec. 201. Increase in threshold for major medical facility construction projects.

Sec. 202. Enhancements to enhanced-use lease authority.

Sec. 203. Simplification of annual report on long-range health planning.

Subtitle B—Project Authorizations

Sec. 211. Authorization of major medical facility projects.

Sec. 212. Authorization of major medical facility leases.

Sec. 213. Advance planning authorizations.

Sec. 214. Authorization of appropriations.

Subtitle C—Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services Initiative

Sec. 221. Authorization of major construction projects in connection with Capital Asset Realignment Initiative.

Sec. 222. Advance notification of capital asset realignment actions.

Sec. 223. Sense of Congress and report on access to health care for veterans in rural areas.

Subtitle D—Plans for New Facilities

Sec. 231. Plans for facilities in specified areas.

Sec. 232. Study and report on feasibility of coordination of veterans health care services in South Carolina with new university medical center.

Subtitle E—Designation of Facilities

Sec. 241. Designation of Department of Veterans Affairs medical center, Prescott, Arizona, as the Bob Stump Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

Sec. 242. Designation of Department of Veterans Affairs health care facility, Chicago, Illinois, as the Jesse Brown Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

Sec. 243. Designation of Department of Veterans Affairs medical center, Houston, Texas, as the Michael E. DeBakey Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

Sec. 244. Designation of Department of Veterans Affairs medical center, Salt Lake City, Utah, as the George E. Wahlen Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center.