

“(1) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe in regulations the eligibility requirements, application and approval procedures and standards, and authorized uses of grant proceeds for the grant program under this section.

“(2) CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT.—In prescribing the regulations, the Secretary shall consult with the following:

“(A) The Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

“(B) The heads of such other departments and agencies of the United States as the Secretary considers appropriate on the basis of relevant interests or expertise.

“(C) Appropriate officials of the governments of States and political subdivisions of States.

“(D) Representatives of private sector organizations recognized for relevant expertise.”

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“30202. Organ donation through driver licensing: grant assistance.”

(b) TIME FOR PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Transportation shall promulgate the regulations under section 30202(b) of title 49, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), not later than October 1, 2004.

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are authorized to be appropriated for carrying out section 30201(b) of title 49, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), for fiscal years and in amounts as follows:

- (1) For fiscal year 2005, \$4,000,000.
- (2) For fiscal year 2006, \$4,000,000.
- (3) For fiscal year 2007, \$4,000,000.
- (4) For fiscal year 2008, \$4,000,000.
- (5) For fiscal year 2009, \$4,000,000.
- (6) For fiscal year 2010, \$4,000,000.

SEC. 6. STUDY OF NATIONAL DRIVER EDUCATION STANDARDS.

(a) REQUIREMENT FOR STUDY.—The Secretary of Transportation shall carry out a study to determine whether the establishment and imposition of nationwide minimum standards of motor vehicle driver education would improve national highway traffic safety.

(b) TIME FOR COMPLETION OF STUDY.—The Secretary shall complete the study not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) REPORT.—The Secretary shall publish a report on the results of the study under this section not later than 2 years after the study is completed.

By Mr. DEWINE:

S. 2028. A bill to improve tire safety and labeling, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. DEWINE. Mr. President, 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. 2028

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 “Tire Safety Awareness Act of 2004”.

SEC. 2. DATE OF MANUFACTURE INFORMATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall, in

consultation with the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, undertake to modify the regulations relating to tire safety that are administered by the Administration through the promulgation of regulations that require that such date of manufacture information is disclosed clearly and understandably, in writing, to consumers at the point of sale on an invoice, sales receipt, or equivalent record.

(b) EXCEPTION.—The date of manufacture information required to be disclosed pursuant to the regulations promulgated under subsection (a) shall not apply to tires that are—

- (1) sold with new motor vehicles;
- (2) exempt from testing under Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 139; or
- (3) sold for use on vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of 10,001 pounds or more.

SEC. 3. REPORT ON TIRE SAFETY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall enter into a cooperative agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to commission a report to Congress on the effects of age on light vehicle tires (within the meaning of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 139), including—

(1) a study of the effect on tire safety resulting from tire aging characteristics, including but not limited to the chemical breakdown and oxidation that occur over time with respect to tires, irrespective of use;

(2) recommendations on how to best communicate information, including tire aging characteristics, to consumers, and an assessment of the utility and benefits of this information with respect to motor vehicle safety;

(3) an examination of whether the imposition of limits on the age of tires available for sale in interstate commerce would enhance motor vehicle safety;

(4) an examination of—
(A) currently available, scientifically proven technologies that may assist consumers in assessing tire age; and

(B) the feasibility of developing technologies in the future that may assist consumers in assessing tire age; and

(5) any other information the Secretary determines appropriate.

(b) CONSIDERATION OF EXISTING RESOURCES.—The report shall take into consideration relevant scientific studies performed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the American Society for Testing and Materials Committee F09 on Tires.

(c) REPORT REQUIRED.—The Secretary shall submit the report to Congress not later than 3 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 291—TO AUTHORIZE TESTIMONY AND LEGAL REPRESENTATION IN THE CASE OF JAMES MCKOY V. NORTH FORK SERVICES/JOINT VENTURE

Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 291

Whereas, in the case of James McKoy v. North Fork Services/Joint Venture, No. 2004-CAA-00002, pending before the United States

Department of Labor, testimony has been requested from Resi Cooper, an employee in the Long Island office of Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton;

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 704(a)(2) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. §§288b(a) and 288c(a)(2), the Senate may direct its counsel to represent employees of the Senate with respect to any subpoena, order, or request for testimony relating to their official responsibilities;

Whereas, by the privileges of the Senate of the United States and Rule XI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, no evidence under the control or in the possession of the Senate may, by the judicial or administrative process, be taken from such control or possession but by permission of the Senate; and

Whereas, when it appears that evidence under the control or in the possession of the Senate may promote the administration of justice, the Senate will take such action as will promote the ends of justice consistent with the privileges of the Senate; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That Resi Cooper is authorized to testify in the case of James McKoy v. North Fork Services/Joint Venture, except concerning matters for which a privilege should be asserted.

SEC. 2. The Senate Legal Counsel is authorized to represent Resi Cooper in connection with the testimony authorized in section one of this resolution.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 2236. Mr. KYL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2233 proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. KENNEDY) to the bill H.R. 3108, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily replace the 30-year Treasury rate with a rate based on long-term corporate bonds for certain pension plan funding requirements and other provisions, and for other purposes.

SA 2237. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2233 proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. KENNEDY) to the bill H.R. 3108, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2238. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2233 proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. KENNEDY) to the bill H.R. 3108, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2239. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2233 proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. KENNEDY) to the bill H.R. 3108, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2240. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2233 proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. KENNEDY) to the bill H.R. 3108, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2241. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2233 proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. KENNEDY) to the bill H.R. 3108, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2242. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2233 proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. KENNEDY) to the bill H.R. 3108, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2243. Mr. FITZGERALD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to