

food allergies will be able to identify a product's ingredients more easily and avoid foods that may harm them. One-hundred and fifty Americans die each year from food allergies, and this legislation will greatly reduce that number.

It requires the labels on food packages to identify ingredients related to one of the eight main food allergens, and to do so in easily understood words. The FDA is required to provide for "gluten-free" labels on foods, to help people with celiac disease avoid the glutes that cause their disease.

The bill also requires the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to monitor deaths related to food allergies, and directs the National Institutes of Health to develop a plan for research on food allergies.

I commend Senator GREGG and my colleagues on the HELP Committee for their leadership on this title as well, and I urge the Senate to approve this legislation.

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee substitute amendment be agreed to, the bill, as amended, be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to.

The bill (S. 741), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2004

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 9. I further ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and the pledge the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day,

and the Senate then resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 95, the budget resolution; provided that when the Senate resumes consideration of the resolution tomorrow morning, there be 40 hours equally divided remaining for debate under the statutory limit.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, tomorrow the Senate will resume consideration of the budget resolution. When the Senate resumes debate, we will have 40 hours remaining of the 50-hour time limit for debate. It is the intention of the bill's managers to begin the amending process tomorrow morning. It is my hope that Members who wish to offer amendments will do so and also contact both myself and the ranking member, Senator CONRAD, in order, if at all possible, to prevent a vote-arama being drawn out at the conclusion of the debate.

I would also like to inform my colleagues that rollcall votes will occur throughout tomorrow. Senators will be notified when those votes are scheduled.

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, let me add my voice to the Chairman's voice on the question of amendments. We have gone back and looked over past budget resolutions, and we have seen that there has been substantial duplication in amendments, all of them included in what the chairman calls a vote-arama.

We believe if we all use a little more discipline we can reduce the number of amendments considered and still have a thorough debate on the key issues and the key differences between us. I am urging my colleagues to think if they have an amendment that is on No Child Left Behind, that they group together with other Senators who might be similarly inclined and offer an amendment together rather than three or four different amendments on the same subject.

I ask our colleagues that we have a good, full debate, we use this week well, we express the differences between us in a responsible way, but at the end, that we do not have a whole series of relatively minor amendments or repetitive amendments so we can have the best expression of the Senate's position on the budget.

I yield the floor.

Mr. NICKLES. I concur with my colleague, Senator CONRAD. He is exactly right. The Senate can manage debate on the Senate resolution and conduct itself much better than we have in the past. Senator CONRAD has been very helpful in making that happen. I think the debate we had today was a very good debate. We were expecting to yield back a lot of time. Frankly, we did not yield back much time because there was good, significant debate. We did not have prolonged quorum calls. We had a lot of speakers on both sides to present their views. I thank our colleagues for doing that.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. NICKLES. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:56 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, March 9, at 9:30 a.m.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate March 8, 2004:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- MICHELE M. LEONHART, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR OF DRUG ENFORCEMENT.
- DOMINGO S. HERRAIZ, OF OHIO, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE.
- LAFAYETTE COLLINS, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS.
- RONALD J. TENPAS, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.