

compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for care provided to such veteran or member.

(g) COSTS OF TRAINING.—

(1) TRAINING OF FAMILIES OF VETERANS.—Any costs of training provided under the pilot program under this section for family members of veterans shall be borne by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

(2) TRAINING OF FAMILIES OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.—The Secretary of Defense shall reimburse the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for any costs of training provided under the pilot program for family members of members of the Armed Forces. Amounts for such reimbursement shall be derived from amounts available for Defense Health Program for the TRICARE program.

(h) ASSESSMENT OF FAMILY CAREGIVER NEEDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may provide to a family caregiver who receives training under a pilot program under this section—

(A) an assessment of their needs with respect to their role as a family caregiver; and

(B) a referral to services and support that—

(i) are relevant to any needs identified in such assessment; and

(ii) are provided in the community where the family caregiver resides, including such services and support provided by community-based organizations, publicly-funded programs, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(2) USE OF EXISTING TOOLS.—In developing and administering an assessment under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall, to the extent practicable, use and expand upon caregiver assessment tools already developed and in use by the Department.

(i) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to Congress a report on the pilot program carried out under this section, including the recommendations of the Secretary with respect to expansion or modification of the pilot program.

(j) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed—

(1) to establish a mandate or right for a family caregiver to be trained and certified under this section; and

(2) to prohibit the Secretary from considering or adopting the preference of a veteran or member of the Armed Forces for services provided by a personal care attendant who is not a family caregiver.

(k) FAMILY CAREGIVER DEFINED.—In this section, with respect to member of the Armed Forces or a veteran with traumatic brain injury, the term “family caregiver” means a family member of such member or veteran, or such other individual of similar affinity to such member or veteran as the Secretary proscribes, who is providing care to such member or veteran for such traumatic brain injury.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 15, 2008

Mr. SANDERS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 3 p.m., Monday, September 15; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume consideration of S. 3001, the Defense authorization bill,

with no motions to proceed in order during Monday’s session. I further ask that the mandatory quorum under rule XXII be waived and that the filing deadline for first-degree amendments be 4 p.m. Monday.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. SANDERS. Mr. President, today Senator REID filed cloture on the Defense authorization bill. Senators have until 4 p.m. on Monday to file germane amendments. The cloture vote will occur on Tuesday. As previously announced, there will be no rollcall votes on Monday.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 15, 2008, AT 3 P.M.

Mr. SANDERS. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 12:34 p.m., adjourned until Monday, September 15, 2008, at 3 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON
PUBLIC DIPLOMACY

JAY T. SNYDER, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2010. (RE-APPOINTMENT)

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR PROMOTION WITHIN AND INTO THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE TO THE CLASSES INDICATED:

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