with whom the broadcaster has a contract, or again with a boxer with whom is broadcaster has a contract is competing.

"(c) NOTIFICATION OF REDUCTION IN AGREED AMOUNT.—If a broadcaster has a contract with a boxer to broadcast a match in which that boxer is competing, the broadcaster reduces the amount it agreed to pay the boxer under that contract (whether unilaterally or by mutual agreement), the broadcaster shall notify, in writing within 48 hours after the reduction, the supervising State commission for that match of the reduction.

"(d) ENFORCEMENT.—

"(1) CONTRACT.—A provision in a contract between a broadcaster and a boxer that violates subsection (a) is contrary to public policy and unenforceable at law.

"(2) PROHIBITIONS; NOTIFICATION.—For enforcement of subsections (b) and (c), see section 10.”.

(b) BROADCASTER DEFINED.—Section 2 of the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996 (15 U.S.C. 6301), as amended by section 8 of the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996 (15 U.S.C. 6305(b)(2)) is amended by inserting before the term "broadcaster" means any person who is a licensee as that term is defined in section 3(24) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 153(24)).".

MOYNIHAN AMENDMENT NO. 1370
Mr. SESSIONS (for Mr. MOYNIHAN) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 395, supra; as follows:

On page 20, after line 13, add the following:

(d) STANDARDIZED PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS.—Section 5(c) of the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996 (15 U.S.C. 6305(c)) is amended by inserting after "unilateral" the following: "or by mutual agreement", and "with respect to", and by inserting "after" examination the following: "-, based on guidelines endorsed by the American Medical Association, including a circulo-respiratory check and a neurological examination, ."

(e) CAT SCANS.—Section 6(b)(2) of the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996 (15 U.S.C. 6306(b)(2)) is amended by inserting after the period the following: "a 30-day period that date on which the renewal application is submitted and that no brain damage from boxing has been detected".

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DURBIN AMENDMENT NO. 1371
(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. DURBIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill, H.R. 2666, supra; as follows:

At the end of the bill add the following:

SEC. 3 . SHAWNEE NATIONAL FOREST, ILLINOIS.

None of the funds made available under this Act may be used to—

(1) develop a resource management plan for the Shawnee National Forest, Illinois; or

(2) make a sale of timber for commodity purposes produced on land in the Shawnee National Forest from which the expected cost of making the timber available for sale is greater than the expected revenue to the United States from the sale.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, be allowed to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 27, 1999.

The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss competition and anti-trust issues in agricultural business.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Environment and Public Works be granted permission to meet to mark up S. 1090, the Superfund Program Completion Act of 1999, Tuesday, July 27, 9:30 a.m., Hearing Room (SD—496).

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

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, the Finance Committee requests unanimous consent to conduct a hearing on Tuesday, July 27, 1999, beginning at 2:30 p.m. in room 215 Dirksen.

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet for a hearing on "Innovations in Child Care" during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 27, 1999, at 10:00 a.m.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet for a hearing re Oversight of the Criminal Division of Justice, during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 27, 1999, at 2:00 p.m., in SD 628.

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

BETH KENNETT AND TRADE MISSION TO IRELAND

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, one of the real treasures of my State of Vermont are the people who live and work there. Recently, I had the pleasure of leading a trade mission to Ireland with a group of Vermont business owners seeking strategic business alliances to increase trade and tourism between our state and Ireland.

One of the members of the delegation, Beth Kennett, traveled to Ireland with specific goals in mind—to increase tourism from Ireland to Vermont and to learn more about agri-tourism.

Beth Kennett is the president of Vermont Farms! as well as a co-owner, along with her husband Bob, of a dairy farm that also serves as a bed and breakfast. On the trip, Mrs. Kennett was hosted by representatives of the agri-tourism industry and visited several agri-tourism farms. She was very enthusiastic throughout her stay and commented later on the diversity of her experiences. She said that one day
FARM LIFE GROWS AS TOURISM DRAW IN VERMONT

(BY DAVID GRAM)

ROCHESTER, VT. Beth Kennett calls the big, five-story, red barn with its cupola topped with a Holstein-shaped weather-vane “one of the cathedrals of the country.”

And if people from around the world travel to Paris or New York, why not to Rochester’s Liberty Hill to see her farm?

In fact, they do. In addition to milking one of the most productive small herds of registered Holstein cows in the state, Kennett and her husband Bob and their sons Tom and David—young men who are following their parents into farming—open their sprawling, two-century-old farmhouse to travelers.

They’re part of a growing number of Vermont farmers who are bridging the gap between two of the mainstays of Vermont’s economy: agriculture and tourism.

The Kennetts’ house dates from 1825, the barn from 1869, there are splendid views of the surrounding hills, a mile of frontage to Rochester’s White River with several good swimming holes, and hiking trails in the abutting Green Mountain National Forest.

Down in the well kept barn, there are 65 milkers and, occasionally, a newborn calf at marvel to.

Kennett got into the hospitality business when a big drop in prices paid to farmers for milk in 1990, forced her and her family to look for new sources of income.

“We took stock of our assets, and decided that since we had this big old farmhouse with 18 rooms, we might as well take advantage of it,” she recalled.

Now she’s got a regular clientele of guests who return year after year, she’s president of a statewide association of farmers who offer lodging, tours and other amenities for visitors, and she’s just back from joining Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., on a trade mission to Ireland.

For a full dinner, big breakfast and charming country lodgings complete with wide-board floors, flowered wallpaper and a claw-foot bathtub, Kennett charges $70 per adult and $30 per child. The house can accommodate 15 guests and occasionally is booked to capacity.

“The world comes to me,” Kennett said.

“IT DON’T NEED TO GO OFF AND SEE THE WORLD.”

Tribute to Very Reverend A.G. Doumato

Mr. CHAFFEE, Mr. President. I rise today to praise and commend the dedication and commitment of Very Reverend Abdalrahad Gabriel Doumato, who, for the past forty years, has led the parish of Saint Ephraim’s Syrian Orthodox Church in Rhode Island.

Approximately 300 friends, family members, clergy, church officials and parishioners will gather on Sunday, August 1st, to honor Father Doumato on this milestone. A native of Syria, we in his adopted state of Rhode Island have benefitted from and been enriched by his selfless service, devotion, compassion and wisdom—attributes which have characterized his long and distinguished tenure.

Father Doumato is a compassionate individual who cares profoundly for his community. He is a deeply peaceful and religious man who possesses boundless hope and optimism. He has consistently and successfully worked for the betterment of his community and has always served with faith and devotion. Indeed, he is a man of integrity, flawless character, unquestionable commitment, and one who has earned a sterling reputation as a pillar of his community.

The original community of Saint Ephraim’s Church in Rhode Island was formed by a group of immigrant families who came to the United States before the turn of the century. This small, industrious community managed to buy a house and use it as a parish center and chapel for worship. The church was subsequently chartered in 1913.

Although Saint Ephraim’s has only been in existence for 86 years, the Syrian Orthodox Church has its roots in the original Christian Church of Jerusalem. The dean of Apostles, Saint Peter, is the direct successor of Saint Peter. The church claims a wealth of theological, liturgical, and musical traditions. Indeed, to this day the liturgy is conducted in Aramaic, the language spoken by Jesus Christ, and was the lingua franca in the Near East.

Mr. President, Father Doumato has enjoyed an interesting and fulfilling career in the ministry of his church. Like many of us, his life has been filled with challenges, hardships and hope. Unlike many of us, however, he has enjoyed some truly unique and rich experiences. He was born in 1918 and raised in the shadow of the Cathedral Church of the Virgin Mary in the city of Homs, Syria. He was educated in Homs, first in his church’s schools and later at Jesuit Brothers. His interest in theology and his Church was an early and important part of his life. His father, the late Gabriel Doumato, who immigrated to Rhode Island in 1973, was an ardent supporter of the Church and served his community in many capacities.

Upon completing his education, Father Doumato taught in the Church’s schools across Syria. At the beginning of World War II, he entered the French-run National Police Academy and graduated with honors in 1939. For the next ten years, he served as a member of the National Police Force. Throughout this period, he continued to serve the Church as a deacon and was constantly urged by His Holiness Patriarch Ephraim, the Church’s supreme leader, to join the ministry. In 1949, he resigned his commission and entered the Seminary of the Syrian Orthodox Church in Damascus.

Father Doumato was ordained into the priesthood in August 1950 by His Holiness Patriarch Ephraim and immediately assigned to serve the church in Central Falls, Rhode Island. Because of visa delays however, he was unable to

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