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XVIII of the Social Security Act to in-
crease the payment amount for renal
dialysis services furnished under the
medicare program.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 9
At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the
name of the Senator from Arkansas
(Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cospon-
sor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 9,
a concurrent resolution calling for a
United States effort to end restrictions
on the freedoms and human rights of
the enclaved people in the occupied
area of Cyprus.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 32
At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the
name of the Senator from New Mexico
(Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cospon-
sor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 32,
a concurrent resolution expressing the
sense of Congress regarding the guar-
anteed coverage of chiropractic serv-
ces under the Medicare+Choice pro-
gram.

SENATE RESOLUTION 92
At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the
name of the Senator from Maine (Ms.
SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of
Senate Resolution 92, a resolution ex-
pressing the sense of the Senate that
funding for prostate cancer research
should be increased substantially.

AMENDMENT NO. 1411
At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM the
name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr.
DEWINE), the Senator from Oklahoma
(Mr. INOUYE), the Senator from Maine
(Ms. COLLINS), and the Senator from
Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) were
added as cosponsors of amendment No.
1411 proposed to S. 1429, an original bill
to provide for reconciliation pursuant
to section 104 of the concurrent resolu-
tion on the budget for fiscal year 2000.

AMENDMENT NO. 1426
At the request of Mr. THURMOND his
name was added as a cosponsor of
amendment No. 1426 proposed to S.
1429, an original bill to provide for rec-
 onciliation pursuant to section 104 of the
 concurrent resolution on the budget for
fiscal year 2000.

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM his
name was added as a cosponsor of
amendment No. 1426 proposed to S.
1429, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 1431
At the request of Mr. DORGAN the
names of the Senator from Virginia
(Mr. ROBB), the Senator from Wis-
consin (Mr. KOHL), the Senator from
South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), and the
Senator from Washington (Mrs. MUR-
RAY) were added as cosponsors of
amendment No. 1441 proposed to S.
1429, an original bill to provide for rec-
 onciliation pursuant to section 104 of the
 concurrent resolution on the budget for
fiscal year 2000.

AMENDMENT NO. 1412
At the request of Mr. BREXUS the
name of the Senator from Louisiana
(Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cospon-
sor of amendment No. 1442 proposed to
S. 1429, an original bill to provide for reconcili-
tion pursuant to section 104 of the concurrent resolution on the
budget for fiscal year 2000.

AMENDMENT NO. 1454
At the request of Mr. KENNEDY his
name was added as a cosponsor of
amendment No. 1454 proposed to S.
1429, an original bill to provide for rec-
 onciliation pursuant to section 104 of the
 concurrent resolution on the budget for
fiscal year 2000.

At the request of Mr. WELLSTONE his
name was added as a cosponsor of
amendment No. 1454 proposed to S.
1429, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 1455
At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM the
name of the Senator from Nebraska
(Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of
amendment No. 1455 proposed to S.
1429, an original bill to provide for rec-
 onciliation pursuant to section 104 of the
 concurrent resolution on the budget for
fiscal year 2000.

AMENDMENT NO. 1460
At the request of Mr. STEVENS the
names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr.
MUKOWSKIE), the Senator from Hawaii
(Mr. INOUYE), the Senator from South
Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS), the Senator
from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX), the Sen-
ator from Alabama (Mr. SHELB), the
Senator from Washington (Mr. GOR-
TON), the Senator from Washington
(Mrs. MURRAY), and the Senator from
Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) were added
as cosponsors of amendment No. 1460
proposed to S. 1429, an original bill to
provide for reconciliation pursuant to
section 104 of the concurrent resolution
on the budget for fiscal year 2000.

AMENDMENT NO. 1469
At the request of Mr. JOHNSON the
name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr.
REID) was added as a cosponsor of
amendment No. 1479 proposed to S.
1429, an original bill to provide for rec-
 onciliation pursuant to section 104 of the
 concurrent resolution on the budget for
fiscal year 2000.

AMENDMENT NO. 1480
At the request of Mr. COVERDILL his
name was added as a cosponsor of
amendment No. 1480 intended to be
proposed to S. 1429, an original bill to pro-
 vide for reconciliation pursuant to sec-
tion 104 of the concurrent resolution on
the budget for fiscal year 2000.

AMENDMENT NO. 1499
At the request of Mr. STEVENS the
names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr.
MUKOWSKIE), the Senator from Hawaii
(Mr. INOUYE), the Senator from South
Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS), the Senator
from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX), the Sen-
ator from Alabama (Mr. SHELB), the
Senator from Washington (Mr. GOR-
TON), the Senator from Washington
(Mrs. MURRAY), and the Senator from
Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) were added
as cosponsors of amendment No. 1488
proposed to S. 1429, an original bill to
provide for reconciliation pursuant to
section 104 of the concurrent resolution
on the budget for fiscal year 2000.

SENATE RESOLUTION 169—COM-
MENDING GENERAL WESLEY K.
CLARK, UNITED STATES ARMY
Mr. COCHRAN (for himself, Mr.
McCain, and Mr. STEVENS) submitted
the following resolution; which was re-
ferr ed to the Committee on Armed
Services:

SENATE RESOLUTION 169

WHEREAS General Wesley K. Clark has
had a long and distinguished military career,
which includes graduating first in the class
of 1966 from the United States Military
Academy at West Point and serving in com-
mand positions at every level in the United
States Army, culminating in service concur-
rently in the positions of Supreme Allied
Commander Europe and Supreme Com-
in-Chief of the United States European
Command:

WHEREAS General Clark was integral to the
formulation of the Dayton Accords;

WHEREAS General Clark most recently dis-
 tinguished himself by his tireless, resource-
ful, and successful leadership of the first
major action of the North Atlantic Treaty
Organization despite severe constraints;

WHEREAS General Clark's record of exam-
ply and dedicated service is an example
which all military officers should seek to
emulate and is deserving of special recogni-
tion; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That (a) the United States Senate
congratulates and expresses its gratitude to
General Wesley K. Clark, United States
Army, for his outstanding record of military
service to the United States of America.

(b) The Secretary of the Senate shall
transmit a copy of this resolution to Gen-
eral Wesley K. Clark.

Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. President, I am
submitting today a resolution which
commends General Wesley K. Clark for
his outstanding service to the United
States. I am pleased to be joined by Mr.
McCain and Mr. STEVENS as cosponsors of
the resolution.

I was sorry to learn from the Wednes-
day morning's newspapers that General
Clark would be leaving his current post, where he serves simultaneously
as the NATO Supreme Allied Com-
mander Europe and as Commander-in-
Chief of the United States European
Command, before his tour was sched-
uled to end. When General Clark re-
tires next year, the United States will
be losing one of its finest officers. And
I say that not just because of what he
just accomplished in successfully lead-
ing NATO forces into battle for the
first time, but because of the exem-
porary record General Clark compiled
over 33 years of service to our Nation.

Wes Clark graduated first in his class
from West Point in 1966, and was se-
l ected to attend Oxford University as a
Rhodes Scholar. After graduating from
Oxford, General Clark distinguished
himself in Vietnam, where he com-
manded a mechanized infantry com-
pany in combat. General Clark went on
to command two other companies, as
well as an armor battalion at Fort Carson, Colorado, a brigade in the 4th Infantry Division located at Fort Carson, the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, California, the 1st Calvary Division at Fort Hood, Texas, and the United States Southern Command, headquartered in Panama.

I would like to discuss the numerous jobs in which General Clark has served, but I do point out that General Clark, as the Director of Strategic Plans and Policy on the Joint Staff, was integral to the formulation of the Bosnian Peace Accords, negotiated in Dayton. In reviewing the numerous positions General Clark has held since he graduated from West Point, it is beyond question that Wes Clark is an officer who has served our Nation well during the last 33 years.

I recently had a chance to visit with General Clark at his headquarters in Brussels. Despite months of getting little sleep, I’m told it was about four hours per night, General Clark was able to explain to me clearly and in detail our military operations in Kosovo and Serbia. His grasp of every nuance of every plan and option, was evident, and only reinforced his reputation for thoroughness. Nothing demonstrates his reputation for thoroughness and resourcefulness. Nothing demonstrates this more clearly than one simple fact: In an environment where General Clark was operating under severe constraints, he led NATO forces to victory. He was tireless; he was imaginative; and ultimately, he was victorious.

This resolution commends General Clark and expresses the Senate’s gratitude to him not just because of his recent service of high importance, but because of his lifetime of service. General Clark deserves recognition not only for achieving results, but also for his personal integrity. His record of saying what he believes should be said without respect to what others people may need to hear is an example that others should seek to emulate.

General Wes Clark has had a career distinguished by exemplary and dedicated service to our Nation. I urge the adoption of the Senate of this resolution.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from the great State of Arkansas.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, first of all I commend the distinguished Senator from Mississippi for the introduction of this resolution. I associate myself with his remarks. I note for the RECORD, among the biographical comments that Senator Cochran made concerning General Clark, special emphasis on the fact that he hails from Little Rock, AR.

So with my fellow Arkansans, we express our pride at General Clark and his exemplary career, the service he has rendered our country with great distinction. I commend the Senator from Mississippi for introducing, I think, a very important resolution.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I thank the distinguished Senator from Arkansas for his kind remarks. We appreciate very much his cosponsorship of the resolution.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2000

BAUCUS AMENDMENT NO. 1495
(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. BAUCUS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 1233) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 76, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

SEC. 7. SENSE OF THE SENATE CONCERNING ACTIONS BY THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION RELATING TO TRADE IN AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.—

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

(1) agricultural producers in the United States compete effectively when world markets are not distorted by government intervention;

(2) the elimination of barriers to competition in world markets for agricultural commodities is in the interest of producers and consumers in the United States;

(3) the United States must provide leadership on the opening of the agricultural markets in upcoming multilateral World Trade Organization negotiations;

(4) countries that import agricultural commodities are more likely to liberalize practices if they are confident that their trading partners will not curtail the availability of agricultural commodities on world markets for foreign policy purposes; and

(5) a multilateral commitment to use the open market, rather than government intervention, to guarantee food security would advance the interests of the farm community of the United States.

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) members of the World Trade Organization should undertake multilateral negotiations to eliminate policies and programs that distort world markets for agricultural commodities; and

(2) as part of the multilateral negotiations, members of the World Trade Organization should agree to renounce the use of unilateral sanctions to prohibit, restrict, or condition agricultural exports.

TAXPAYERS REFUND ACT OF 1999

ROTH (AND MOYNIHAN) AMENDMENT NO. 1496

Mr. ROTH (for himself and Mr. MOYNIHAN) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1429, supra; as follows:

On page 10, strike the matter before lines 19 and 20 (as added by the Hutchinson amendment), and insert:

Applicable dollar amount: $4,000
2006
Applicable dollar amount: $5,000
2007 and thereafter

Applicable dollar amount: $7,500
2006
Applicable dollar amount: $5,000
2007 and thereafter

In the section at the end of title II relating to expansion of adoption expenses (as added by the Landrieu amendment), strike “$7,500” and insert “$10,000”.

On page 75, line 6, strike “section 401(a)(11) and insert “sections 401(a)(11) and 411(b)(14)”.

On page 87, line 3, strike “Section” and insert “Except as provided in subsection (b)(4), section”.

On page 153, strike lines 17 and 18, and insert:

(2) an individual account plan which is subject to the funding standards of section 412.

Such term shall not include a governmental plan (within the meaning of section 414(d)) or a church plan (within the meaning of section 414(e) with respect to which an election under section 410(d) has not been made.”

On page 158, strike lines 8 and 9, and insert:

(8) an individual account plan which is subject to the funding standards of section 430.

Such term shall not include a governmental plan (within the meaning of section 430)(ii) or a church plan (within the meaning of section 430)(iii) with respect to which an election under section 410(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 has not been made.”

On page 161, after line 23, insert:

SEC. 4. MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTION DEDUCTION RULES MODIFIED AND APPLIED TO ALL DEFINED BENEFIT PLANS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a)(1) of section 401(a)(1) (relating to special rule in case of certain plans) is amended to read as follows:

“(ii) SPECIAL RULE IN CASE OF CERTAIN PLANS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any defined benefit plan, except as provided in regulations, the maximum amount deductible under the limitations of this paragraph shall not be less than the unfunded termination liability (determined as if the proposed termination date referred to in section 4041(b)(2)(A)(i)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 were the last day of the plan year).

“(ii) PLANS WITH LESS THAN 100 PARTICIPANTS.—For purposes of this subparagraph, in the case of a plan which has less than 100 participants for the plan year, termination liability shall not include the liability attributable to benefit increases for highly compensated employees (as defined in section 414(q)) resulting from a plan amendment which is made or becomes effective, whichever is later, within the last 2 years before the termination date.

“(iii) RULE FOR DETERMINING NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS.—For purposes of determining whether a plan has more than 100 participants, all defined benefit plans maintained