

(i) (other than paragraph (7)), and (m) and the first sentence of subsection (c)) shall apply to civil money penalties imposed under subsection (d) in the same manner as the provisions apply to a penalty or proceeding under section 1128A(a).

“(2) COMPROMISE.—Penalties imposed against a person under subsection (d) may be compromised by the Commissioner or the Secretary (as applicable).

“(3) VENUE.—Penalties imposed against a person under subsection (d) may be recovered in a civil action in the name of the United States brought in the district court of the United States for the district in which the violation occurred or where the person resides, has its principal office, or may be found as determined by the Commissioner or the Secretary (as applicable).

“(4) DEDUCTION OF PENALTY FROM BENEFITS.—The amount of a penalty imposed under this section may be deducted from any sum then or later owing by the United States to the person against whom the penalty has been imposed.

“(f) USE OF PENALTY AMOUNTS RECOVERED.—

“(1) COSTS OF THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.—Amounts recovered under this section shall be made available to the Commissioner and the Secretary (as applicable) to reimburse costs of the applicable Office of the Inspector General related to the enforcement of this section.

“(2) EXCESS AMOUNTS.—Amounts recovered under this section, in excess of the amounts needed to reimburse the Commissioner and the Secretary under paragraph (1), shall be deposited as miscellaneous receipts of the Treasury of the United States.

“(g) ENFORCEMENT.—The provisions of this section may be enforced through the Office of the Inspector General of the Social Security Administration or the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services (as appropriate).”

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for part A of title XI of the Social Security Act is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1140 the following:

“Sec. 1140A. Prohibition of charging for services or products that are provided without charge by the Social Security Administration or the Department of Health and Human Services and prohibition of sale, transfer, or use of certain information.”

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 20

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 20, a bill to assist the States and local governments in assessing and remediating brownfield sites and encouraging environmental clean-up programs, and for other purposes.

S. 670

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 670, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the exclusion from gross income for foster care payments shall also apply to payments by qualifying placement agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 863

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 863, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for medicaid coverage of all certified nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists.

S. 909

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 909, a bill to provide for the review and classification of physician assistant positions in the Federal Government, and for other purposes.

S. 956

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 956, a bill to establish programs regarding early detection, diagnosis, and interventions for newborns and infants with hearing loss.

S. 1091

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1091, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of a pediatric research initiative.

S. 1263

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1263, a bill to amend the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 to limit the reductions in medicare payments under the prospective payment system for hospital outpatient department services.

S. 1419

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1419, a bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to designate May as “National Military Appreciation Month”.

S. 1539

At the request of Mr. DODD, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1539, a bill to provide for the acquisition, construction, and improvement of child care facilities or equipment, and for other purposes.

S. 1592

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), and the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) were added as cosponsors of S. 1592, a bill to amend the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act to provide to certain nationals of El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Haiti an op-

portunity to apply for adjustment of status under that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1633

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1633, a bill to recognize National Medal of Honor sites in California, Indiana, and South Carolina.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 34

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 34, a joint resolution congratulating and commending the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 32

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 32, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the guaranteed coverage of chiropractic services under the Medicare+Choice program.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 59

At the request of Mr. KYL, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 59, a concurrent resolution urging the President to negotiate a new base rights agreement with the Government of Panama in order for United States Armed Forces to be stationed in Panama after December 31, 1999.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 60—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF CONGRESS THAT A COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMP SHOULD BE ISSUED IN HONOR OF THE U.S.S. “WISCONSIN” AND ALL THOSE WHO SERVED ABOARD HER

Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Mr. KOHL) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

S. CON. RES. 60

Whereas the Iowa Class Battleship, the U.S.S. Wisconsin (BB-64), is an honored warship in United States naval history, with 6 battle stars and 5 citations and medals during her 55 years of service;

Whereas the U.S.S. Wisconsin was launched on December 7, 1943, by the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard; sponsored by Mrs. Walter S. Goodland, wife of then-Governor Goodland of Wisconsin; and commissioned at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 16, 1944, with Captain Earl E. Stone in command;

Whereas her first action for Admiral William “Bull” Halsey’s Third Fleet was a strike by her task force against the Japanese facilities in Manila, thereby supporting the amphibious assault on the Island of Mindoro, which was a vital maneuver in the defeat of the Japanese forces in the Philippines;

Whereas the U.S.S. Wisconsin joined the Fifth Fleet to provide strategic cover for the assault on Iwo Jima by striking the Tokyo area;