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DEVELOPMENT

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

The resolution (S. Res. 238) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 1377) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service in Chicago, Illinois, as the "John J. Buchanan Post Office Building," which had been reported from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION.
The bill (H.R. 1377) to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 34480 Highway 101 South in Cloverdale, Oregon, as the "Maurine B. Neuberger United States Post Office," was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

MAURINE B. NEUBERGER UNITED STATES POST OFFICE

The bill (H.R. 1327) to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 9308 South Chicago Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Maurine B. Neuberger United States Post Office," was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

JOHN J. BUCHANAN POST OFFICE BUILDING

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 1377) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service at 13234 South Baltimore Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "John J. Buchanan Post Office Building," which had been reported from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION.
The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 1377) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service at 13234 South Baltimore Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "John J. Buchanan Post Office Building," which had been reported from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SEC. 2. REFERENCES.

Any reference in a law, regulation, map, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in section 1 shall be considered to be a reference to the "John J. Buchanan Post Office Building".

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

The bill (H.R. 1377), as amended, was considered read the third time and passed.

The title was amended so as to read: "To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9308 South Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as the 'John J. Buchanan Post Office Building'."

FOR THE RELIEF OF SUCHADA KWONG

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, I now ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 322, and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 322) to relieve Suchada Kwong.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 238 submitted earlier by Senators LOTT and Daschle.

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

The bill (H.R. 322) was read the third time and passed.

AUTHORIZATION OF REPRESENTATION

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 238 submitted earlier by Senators LOTT and Daschle.

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

The bill (H.R. 322) was read the third time and passed.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 238) to authorize representation of the United States in the case of Brett Kimberlin v. Orrin Hatch, et al.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, this resolution concerns a civil action commenced by a pro se plaintiff in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia against Senator Hatch and a former member of the staff of the Judiciary Committee. The plaintiff is a federal prisoner serving a sentence for offenses related to a series of bombings in 1979. The complaint seeks damages against Senator Hatch and staff for their alleged role in the United States Parole Commission’s 1997 revocation of the plaintiff’s parole for failure to satisfy an outstanding civil judgment against him in favor of one of the victims of his bombings.

The plaintiff’s claims of unfairness and political bias in his parole revocation hearing have already been rejected by the federal district court in Maryland in habeas corpus proceedings initiated by the plaintiff.

This resolution authorizes the Senate Legal Counsel to represent Senator Hatch in the case of Brett Kimberlin v. Orrin Hatch, et al. The Senate Legal Counsel will seek dismissal of the suit for failure to state a claim for relief and for other reasons.

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 238 submitted earlier by Senators LOTT and Daschle.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The legislative clerk reads as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 238) to authorize representation of the United States in the case of Brett Kimberlin v. Orrin Hatch, et al.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 238 submitted earlier by Senators LOTT and Daschle.

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

The bill (H.R. 322) was read the third time and passed.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 486) to provide for the punishment of methamphetamine laboratory operators by enacting additional resources to combat methamphetamine production, trafficking, and abuse in the United States, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SEC. 2. ENHANCED PUNISHMENT OF AMPHETAMINE LABORATORY OPERATORS.

(a) AMENDMENT TO FEDERAL SENTENCING GUIDELINES.—Pursuant to its authority under section 994(p) of title 28, United States Code, the United States Sentencing Commission shall amend the Federal sentencing guidelines in accordance with this section with respect to any offense relating to the manufacture, importation, exportation, or trafficking in amphetamine (including an attempt or conspiracy to do any of the foregoing) in violation of:

(1) the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 801 et seq.);

(2) the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act (21 U.S.C. 951 et seq.); or

(3) the Maritime Drug Law Enforcement Act (46 U.S.C. App. 1901 et seq.).

(b) GENERAL REQUIREMENT.—In carrying out this section, the United States Sentencing Commission shall, with respect to each offense described in subsection (a) relating to amphetamine—

(1) review and amend its guidelines to provide for increased penalties such that those penalties are comparable to the base offense level for methamphetamine; and

(2) take any other action the Commission considers necessary to carry out this subsection.