

the Department of Defense to purchase the products that they need to provide for the national defense and for the welfare of our men and women in uniform. For example, the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy testified before the House National Security Committee on July 30, 1996, and the FPI monopoly on government furniture contracts has undermined the Navy's ability to improve living conditions for its sailors. Master Chief Petty Officer John Hagan stated, and I quote:

Speaking frankly, the [FPI] product is inferior, costs more, and takes longer to procure. [FPI] has, in my opinion, exploited their special status instead of making changes which would make them more efficient and competitive. The Navy and other Services need your support to change the law and have FPI compete with [private sector] furniture manufacturers [under GSA contracts]. Without this change, we will not be serving Sailors or taxpayers in the most effective and efficient way.

Mr. President, I do not consider myself to be an enemy of Federal Prison Industries. I am a strong supporter of the idea of putting federal inmates to work. I understand that a strong prison work program not only reduces inmate idleness and prison disruption, but can also help build a work ethic, provide job skills, and enable prisoners to return to product society upon their release.

However, I believe that a prison work program must be conducted in a manner that is sensitive to the need not to unfairly eliminate the jobs of hard-working citizens who have not committed crimes. FPI will be able to achieve this result only if it diversifies its product lines and avoids the temptation to build its workforce by continuing to displace private sector jobs in its traditional lines of work. For this reason, I have been working since 1990 to try to help Federal Prison Industries to identify new markets that it can expand into without displacing private sector jobs.

Mr. President, avoiding competition is the easy way out, but it isn't the right way for FPI, it isn't the right way for the private sector workers whose jobs FPI is taking, and it isn't the right way for the taxpayer, who will continue to pay more and get less as a result of the mandatory preference for FPI goods. We need to have jobs for prisoners, but can no longer afford to allow FPI to designate whose jobs it will take, and when it will take them. Competition will be better for FPI, better for the taxpayer, and better for working men and women around the country.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 13

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. FRIST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 13, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue

Code of 1986 to provide additional tax incentives for education.

S. 30

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 30, a bill to provide contercyclical income loss protection to offset extreme losses resulting from severe economic and weather-related events, and for other purposes.

S. 59

At the request of Mr. THOMPSON, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) were added as cosponsors of S. 59, a bill to provide Government-wide accounting of regulatory costs and benefits, and for other purposes.

S. 162

At the request of Mr. BREAUX, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 162, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to change the determination of the 50,000-barrel refinery limitation on oil depletion deduction from a daily basis to an annual average daily basis.

S. 218

At the request of Mr. MOYNIHAN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 218, a bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to provide for equitable duty treatment for certain wool used in making suits.

S. 250

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 250, a bill to establish ethical standards for Federal prosecutors, and for other purposes.

S. 296

At the request of Mr. FRIST, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from New York (Mr. MOYNIHAN), and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 296, a bill to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, and for other purposes.

S. 322

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 322, a bill to amend title 4, United States Code, to add the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed.

S. 385

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL), and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) were added as cosponsors of S. 385, a bill to

amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to further improve the safety and health of working environments, and for other purposes.

S. 443

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 443, A bill to regulate the sale of firearms at gun shows.

S. 459

At the request of Mr. BREAUX, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. ASHCROFT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 459, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the State ceiling on private activity bonds.

At the request of Mr. ROBB, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 459, supra.

S. 484

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the names of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. GRAMS) were added as cosponsors of S. 484, a bill to provide for the granting of refugee status in the United States to nationals of certain foreign countries in which American Vietnam War POW/MIAs or American Korean War POW/MIAs may be present, if those nationals assist in the return to the United States of those POW/MIAs alive.

S. 531

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. ROTH), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE), the Senator from New York (Mr. MOYNIHAN), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ROBB), the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), the Senator from Washington (Mr. GORTON), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. FRIST), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. ASHCROFT), and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) were added as cosponsors of S. 531, a bill to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Rosa Parks in recognition of her contributions to the Nation.

S. 542

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) and the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) were added as cosponsors of S. 542, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of

1986 to expand the deduction for computer donations to schools and allow a tax credit for donated computers.

S. 566

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the names of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL) and the Senator from Washington (Mr. GORTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 566, a bill to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to exempt agricultural commodities, livestock, and value-added products from unilateral economic sanctions, to prepare for future bilateral and multilateral trade negotiations affecting United States agriculture, and for other purposes.

S. 579

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 579, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to target assistance to support the economic and political independence of the countries of the South Caucasus and Central Asia.

S. 595

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK), and the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) were added as cosponsors of S. 595, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a graduated response to shrinking domestic oil and gas production and surging foreign oil imports, and for other purposes.

S. 620

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 620, a bill to grant a Federal charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated, and for other purposes.

S. 660

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) and the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) were added as cosponsors of S. 660, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under part B of the medicare program of medical nutrition therapy services furnished by registered dietitians and nutrition professionals.

S. 675

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 675, a bill to increase market transparency in agricultural markets domestically and abroad.

S. 692

At the request of Mr. KYL, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND), and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) were

added as cosponsors of S. 692, a bill to prohibit Internet gambling, and for other purposes.

S. 693

At the request of Mr. HELMS, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 693, a bill to assist in the enhancement of the security of Taiwan, and for other purposes.

S. 731

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 731, A bill to provide for substantial reductions in the price of prescription drugs for medicare beneficiaries.

S. 755

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) and the Senator from Washington (Mr. GORTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 755, a bill to extend the period for compliance with certain ethical standards for Federal prosecutors.

#### SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 17

At the request of Mr. MURKOWSKI, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 17, a concurrent resolution concerning the 20th Anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 22

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 22, a resolution commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives serving as law enforcement officers.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 26

At the request of Mr. MURKOWSKI, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. ASHCROFT) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 26, a resolution relating to Taiwan's Participation in the World Health Organization.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 34

At the request of Mr. TORRICELLI, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), and the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 34, a resolution designating the week beginning April 30, 1999, as "National Youth Fitness Week."

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 54

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 54, a resolution condemning the escalating violence, the gross violation of human

rights and attacks against civilians, and the attempt to overthrow a democratically elected government in Sierra Leone.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 157

At the request of Mr. SPECTER the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE), and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 157 proposed to S. Con. Res. 20, an original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 2000 through 2009.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED ON MARCH 25, 1999

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN CUBA

#### GRAHAM (AND MACK) AMENDMENT NO. 245

Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mr. MACK) proposed an amendment to the resolution (S. Res. 57) expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the human rights situation in Cuba; as follows:

On page 2, strike lines 9 and 10 and insert: "Whereas such abuses violate internationally accepted norms of conduct enshrined by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights".

#### CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000

#### HATCH AMENDMENT NO. 246

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. HATCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution, S. Con. Res. 20, supra; as follows:

In the matter proposed to be inserted by Amendment Number 167, strike the matter proposed to be inserted, and insert the following:

#### SEC. . SENSE OF THE SENATE ON REAUTHORIZING STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

(1) as of December, 1998, the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program had awarded grants for the hiring or redeployment to the Nation's streets of more than 92,000 police officers and sheriffs' deputies;

(2) according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics of the United States Department of Justice, the Nation's violent crime rate declined almost 7 percent during 1997, and has fallen more than 21 percent since 1993;