MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE
ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the Secretary of the Senate, on July 20, 2001, during the recess of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:


PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-139. A resolution adopted by the National Black Chamber of Commerce, Inc., relative to energy; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

POM-140. A resolution adopted by the City Council of Berea, Ohio relative to the Domestic Steel Industry; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-141. A petition presented by the Council on Administrative Rights entitled "Reform America"; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-142. A concurrent resolution adopted by the House of the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire relative to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 12

Whereas, since its enactment in 1975, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) has helped millions of children with special needs to receive a quality education and to develop to their full capacities; and

Whereas, the IDEA has helped move children with disabilities out of institutions and into public school classrooms with their peers; and

Whereas, the IDEA has helped break down stereotypes and ignorance about people with disabilities, improving the quality of life and economic opportunity for millions of Americans; and

Whereas, when the federal government enacted the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, it promised to fund up to 40 percent of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States; and

Whereas, the federal government currently funds, on average, less than 14 percent of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States; and

Whereas, local school districts and state government end up bearing the largest share of the cost of special education services; and

Whereas, the federal government's failure to adequately fulfill its responsibility to special needs children undermines public support for legislation and creates hardship for disabled children and their families; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That Congress enact legislation amending the federal Pipeline Safety Act (49 U.S.C. Section 60101, et seq.) to allow states to adopt and enforce standards stricter than federal standards where to do so would not interfere with interstate commerce; and

That such act be further amended to allow states at their option to seek authority to administer and enforce federal pipeline safety standards; and

That Congress increase funding to assist states in responding to pipeline accident emergencies, to implement pipeline safety measures, to support states with delegated authorities to enforce federal standards, and to the Office of Pipeline Safety for additional research and development of technologies for testing, leak detection, and pipeline integrity; and

That the clerk of the New Hampshire house of representatives forward copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to the members of the New Hampshire congressional delegation.

POM-144. A concurrent resolution adopted by the House of the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire relative to allowing military retirees to receive service-connected disability compensation benefits without requiring them to waive an equal amount of retirement pay; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1

Whereas, American servicemen and women have dedicated their careers to protecting the rights we all enjoy; and

Whereas, service-connected disability pay serves a different purpose from longevity retirement pay and is intended to compensate military personnel for pain, suffering, disfigurement, and impaired earning ability due to disability; and

Whereas, under a 19th century law that is still in effect, military retirees are denied concurrent receipt of full retirement pay and service-connected disability compensation because they must choose one or the other or waive an amount of retirement pay equal to the amount of disability compensation; and

Whereas, no other federal employees face a reduction in civil service retirement benefits if they also receive compensation for a service-connected disability; and

Whereas, federal legislation has been introduced to amend Title 38 of the U.S. Code to treat career military retirees like other federal retirees; and

Whereas, federal legislation has been introduced to amend Title 38 of the U.S. Code to treat career military retirees like other federal retirees and permit them to receive service-connected disability compensation without requiring a concurrent deduction from retirement pay; and

Whereas, it is fundamentally unfair to require military veterans to essentially fund the disability compensation of their fellow veterans, thus denying military retirees the benefits they have earned and that are due to their country; and

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the general court of New Hampshire hereby urges the United States Congress to enact legislation to allow disabled, military retirees to receive service-connected disability compensation benefits without requiring them to waive an equal amount of retirement pay; and

That copies of this resolution be sent by the house clerk to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, the chairpersons of committees of the United States Congress having jurisdiction over Veterans Affairs, the Secretary of Defense; and each member of the New Hampshire congressional delegation.

POM-145. A concurrent resolution adopted by the House of the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire relative to supporting the electoral college; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
WHEREAS, the charter fishing industry in Louisiana is in its infancy but has begun a period of healthy growth which can only be detrimental to our economic development and the capture of tourist dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf States Fishery Management Council voted this spring to send to the National Marine Fisheries Service a recommendation for a three-year moratorium on the issuance of new charter vessel permits for reef and coastal migratory pelagic fishing; and

WHEREAS, the genesis of the recommended moratorium was concern about the area of the Gulf of Mexico near Florida where the charter industry is much more mature, much more widespread, and has created a situation where there are too many boats with too few fish, which will result in a productive charter industry; and

WHEREAS, a productive and expanding charter industry would be of great benefit to the economic health of the state, a benefit that would be denied the state of Louisiana if the moratorium were adopted and new charter captains would not be eligible for permitting; and

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the Congress of the United States to direct the Minerals Management Service of the United States Department of the Interior to develop a plan for impact mitigation relative to the Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico. Be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-149. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana relative to the Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

WHEREAS, it has been almost four years since the environmental impact statement was prepared for the Oil and Gas Lease Sales 169, 173, 175, 178, and 182 in the Gulf of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, as a result of public testimony in response to that environmental impact statement, there was recognition of the significant impact which will be felt relative to the infrastructure in offshore activity focal points such as Port Fourchon and LA Highway 1 through the parish of Lafourche; and

WHEREAS, at the present time, 49 of the 45 deep water rigs working in the Gulf of Mexico are being serviced through Port Fourchon, as are many of the rigs located on the Outer Continental Shelf, with the accompanying increase in land traffic and inland waterway traffic, all primarily through the parish of Lafourche; and

WHEREAS, efforts have so far failed to develop plans to mitigate these present and well-documented impacts while efforts to increase the number of the Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico continue with no apparent effort to provide mitigation for current or increased impacts. Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the Congress of the United States to direct the Minerals Management Service of the United States Department of the Interior to develop a plan for impact mitigation relative to the Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico. Be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate, the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and each member of the Louisiana Congressional delegation, and to the pre- sidng officers of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate.

POM-150. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana relative to repealing mandatory minimum sentences; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

WHEREAS, the rising cost of incarceration at all levels is placing an increased fiscal burden on state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, studies continue to indicate that incarceration is not always the answer or the cure-all for crime and its consequences in the nation; and

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Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana hereby memorializes the Congress of the United States to address the problem of sexual trafficking and to support the bipartisan federal initiatives to prosecute traffickers and assist victimized women and girls. Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BYRD, from the Committee on Appropriations:


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By Mr. SARBANES, from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, without amendment:


INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS
The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. SARBANES:

S. 1218. An original bill to extend the authorities of the Iran and Libya Sanctions Act of 1996 until 2005; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 1219. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include swine and bovine manure in the list of renewable sources of energy; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BREAUX (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. SCHUMES, Mr. SPECTER, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 1220. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to establish a grant program for the rehabilitation, preservation, or improvement of railroad track; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 1221. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an additional basis for establishing the inability of veterans to defray expenses of necessary medical care, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS
The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BURNS (for himself, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BARRACKS, Mr. BAYH, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. TORRICKLI, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. REID, Ms. LANDRIRU, Mr. SCHUMES, Mr. DOROGAN, Mr. FERGUSON, Mr. LEIDEMAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. SPETR, Mr. CRAIN, Mr. THURMON, Mr. CRAP, Mr. HELMS, Mr. HATCH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. DAYTON, Ms. SABENOW, Mr. REED, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. ENSEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. STEVENS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. DEWINE, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SANTORUK, Mr. HAGEL, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. Res. 138. Designating the month of September as “National Prostrate Cancer Awareness Month” to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 70

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 70, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of a National Center for Social Work Research.

S. 109

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senators from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON), and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 109, a bill to elevate the Environmental Protection Agency to a cabinet level department, to redesignate the Environmental Protection Agency as the Department of Environmental Protection Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 349

At the request of Mr. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 349, a bill to provide funds to the National Center for Rural Law Enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 357

At the request of Mr. FRIST, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 357, a bill to amend the Social Security Act to preserve and improve the Medicare program.

S. 358

At the request of Mr. FRIST, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 358, a bill to amend the Social Security Act to establish a Medicare Prescription Drug and Supplemental Benefit Program and for other purposes.

S. 358

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr.