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. SCHUMER:
S. 671. A bill to provide for public library construction and technology enhancement; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:
S. 672. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the continued classification of certain aliens as children for purposes of that Act in cases where the alien applications are pending, paragraph 311(b)(2)(A) of the Immigration and Naturalization Act, United States Code, and Section 203 of the Act of April 22, 1952, 66 Stat. 163, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HAGEL: (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. LUGAR):
S. 673. A bill to establish within the executive branch of the Government an interagency committee to review and coordinate United States nonproliferation efforts in the independent states of the former Soviet Union; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Ms. LANDRIEU):
S. 674. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide new tax incentives to make health insurance more affordable for small businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself and Mr. THOMAS):
S. 675. A bill to ensure the orderly development of coal, coalbed methane, natural gas, and oil in “common areas” of the Powder River Basin, Wyoming and Montana, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HATCH: (for himself, Mr. BACUS, Mr. ENOCH, Mr. MURkowski, Mr. TORricelli, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. BREAUX):
S. 676. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend permanently the spousal P exemption for active financing income; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH: (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. JEFFORDS, Ms. Snowe, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. ALLARD):
S. 677. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the required use of certain principal repayments on mortgage subsidy bond financing to redeem bonds, to modify the purchase price limitation under mortgage subsidy bond rules based on median family income, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 77
At the request of Mr. Daschle, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. Reed) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) were added as cosponsors of S. 77, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 104
At the request of Ms. Snowe, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. Cleland) was added as a cosponsor of S. 104, a bill to require that appropriate coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs and devices, and contraceptive services under health plans.

S. 127
At the request of Mr. McCain, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. Inouye) was added as a cosponsor of S. 127, a bill to give American companies, American workers, and American ports the opportunity to compete in the United States cruise market.

S. 170
At the request of Mr. Thurmond, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Lieberman) was added as a cosponsor of S. 170, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase to parity with other surviving spouses the basic annuity that is provided under the uniformed services Survivor Benefit Plan for surviving spouses who are at least 62 years of age, and for other purposes.

S. 177
At the request of Mr. Reid, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Allen) was added as a cosponsor of S. 177, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive both military and veterans disability compensation by reason of their years of military service and disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability.

S. 225
At the request of Mr. Akaka, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. Hutchinson) was added as a cosponsor of S. 225, a bill to amend the provisions of title 39, United States Code, relating to the manner in which pay policies and schedules and fringe benefit programs for postmasters are established.

S. 229
At the request of Mr. Warner, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. Harkin) was added as a cosponsor of S. 229, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives to public elementary and secondary school teachers by providing a tax credit for teaching expenses, professional development expenses, and student education loans.

S. 250
At the request of Mr. Daschle, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. Cantwell) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. Nelson) were added as cosponsors of S. 250, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit to holders of qualified bonds issued by Amtrak, and for other purposes.

S. 432
At the request of Mr. Murkowski, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. Craig) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Warner) were added as cosponsors of S. 432, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure that the Secretary of Health and Human Services provides appropriate guidance to physicians, providers of services, and ambulance providers that are attempting to properly submit claims under the Medicare program to ensure that the Secretary does not target inadvertent billing errors.

S. 458
At the request of Mr. Schumer, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. Kohl) was added as a cosponsor of S. 458, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make higher education more affordable, and for other purposes.

S. 476
At the request of Mrs. Clinton, the names of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. Byrd) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Biden) were added as cosponsors of S. 476, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide for a National Teacher Corps and principal recruitment, and for other purposes.

S. 500
At the request of Mr. Burns, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. Bunning) was added as a cosponsor of S. 500, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 in order to require the Federal Communications Commission to fulfill the sufficient universal service support requirements for high cost areas, and for other purposes.

S. 540
At the request of Mr. DeWine, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Daschle) was added as a cosponsor of S. 540, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow as a deduction in determining adjusted gross income the deduction for expenses in connection with services as a member of a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States, to allow employers a credit against income tax with respect to employees who participate in the military reserve components, and to allow a comparable credit for participating reserve component self-employed individuals, and for other purposes.

S. 543
At the request of Mr. Wellstone, the names of the Senator from New York (Ms. Clinton), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. Byrd), and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. Levin) were added as cosponsors of S. 543, a bill to provide for equal coverage of mental health

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