

3682. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting a report on the evaluation of the pilot program of off-campus work authorization for foreign students—F-1 Non-immigrants—pursuant to Public Law 101-649, Section 221(b) (104 Stat. 5028); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3683. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report on participation, assignment, and extra billing in the Medicare Program; jointly, to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

¶95.4 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Hallen, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment joint resolutions and a concurrent resolution of the House of the following titles:

H.J. Res. 131. Joint resolution, designating December 7 of each year as "National Pearl Harbor Remembrance day";

H.J. Res. 175. Joint resolution designating October 1993 and October 1994 as "Italian-American Heritage and Culture Month"; and H. Con. Res. 248. Concurrent resolution providing for the printing of eulogies, encomiums, and funeral services for the late President of the United States, Richard M. Nixon.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed a bill of the following title, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2218. An Act to provide authorization of appropriations for the Federal Emergency Food and Shelter Program for fiscal years 1995 and 1996.

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4426), making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995.

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4453), making appropriations for military construction for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the amendments of the House to the amendments of the Senate numbered 6, 10, 13, 15, 16, 19, 20, 23, 24, 27, 31, and 32, to the above-entitled bill.

The message also announced that the Senate receded from its amendment numbered 29, to the above-entitled bill.

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the amendments of the House to the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 38) to authorize the reprinting of the book entitled "The U.S. Capitol: A Brief Architectural History."

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the amendments of the House to the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 39) to authorize the printing of a new annotated edition of Glenn Brown's "History of the U.S. Capitol,"

originally published in two volumes in 1900 and 1903, prepared under the auspices of the Architect of the Capitol.

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the amendments of the House to the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 40) to authorize the printing of the book entitled "Constantino Burmudi: Artist of the Capitol," prepared by the Office of the Architect of the Capitol.

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the amendments of the House to the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 41) to authorize the printing of the book entitled "The Cornerstones of the U.S. Capitol."

¶95.5 SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION REFORM

Mr. JACOBS, pursuant to the order of the House of August 5, 1994, called up the following conference report (Rept. No. 103-670):

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4277), to establish the Social Security Administration as an independent agency and to make other improvements in the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Social Security Independence and Program Improvements Act of 1994".

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.

TITLE I—ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AS AN INDEPENDENT AGENCY

Sec. 101. Establishment of Social Security Administration as an independent agency.

Sec. 102. Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner; other officers.

Sec. 103. Social Security Advisory Board.

Sec. 104. Personnel; budgetary matters; seal of office.

Sec. 105. Transfers to the new Social Security Administration.

Sec. 106. Transition rules.

Sec. 107. Conforming amendments to titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act.

Sec. 108. Additional conforming amendments.

Sec. 109. Rules of construction.

Sec. 110. Effective dates.

TITLE II—PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO OASDI AND SSI

Sec. 201. Restrictions on payment of benefits based on disability to substance abusers.

Sec. 202. Commission on childhood disability.

Sec. 203. Regulations regarding completion of plans for achieving self-support.

Sec. 204. SSI eligibility for students temporarily abroad.

Sec. 205. Disregard of cost-of-living increases for continued eligibility for work incentives.

Sec. 206. Expansion of the authority of the Social Security Administration to prevent, detect, and terminate fraudulent claims for OASDI and SSI benefits.

Sec. 207. Disability review required for SSI recipients who are 18 years of age.

Sec. 208. Continuing disability reviews.

Sec. 209. Exemption from adjustment in pass-along requirements.

TITLE III—MISCELLANEOUS PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS

Sec. 301. Issuance of physical documents in the form of bonds, notes, or certificates to the social security trust funds.

Sec. 302. GAO study regarding telephone access to local offices of the Social Security Administration.

Sec. 303. Expansion of State option to exclude service of election officials or election workers from coverage.

Sec. 304. Use of social security numbers by States and local governments and Federal district courts for jury selection purposes.

Sec. 305. Authorization for all States to extend coverage to State and local police officers and firefighters under existing coverage agreements.

Sec. 306. Limited exemption for Canadian ministers from certain self-employment tax liability.

Sec. 307. Exclusion of totalization benefits from the application of the windfall elimination provision.

Sec. 308. Exclusion of military reservists from application of the government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

Sec. 309. Repeal of the facility-of-payment provision.

Sec. 310. Maximum family benefits in guarantee cases.

Sec. 311. Authorization for disclosure of social security information for purposes of public or private epidemiological and similar research.

Sec. 312. Misuse of symbols, emblems, or names in reference to Social Security Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, or Department of the Treasury.

Sec. 313. Increased penalties for unauthorized disclosure of social security information.

Sec. 314. Increase in authorized period for extension of time to file annual earnings report.

Sec. 315. Extension of disability insurance program demonstration project authority.

Sec. 316. Cross-matching of social security account number information and employer identification number information maintained by the Department of Agriculture.

Sec. 317. Certain transfers to railroad retirement account made permanent.

Sec. 318. Authorization for use of social security account numbers by Department of Labor in administration of Federal workers' compensation laws.

Sec. 319. Coverage under FICA of Federal employees transferred temporarily to international organizations.

Sec. 320. Extension of the FICA tax exemption and certain tax rules to individuals who enter the United States under a visa issued under section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.