

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. THOMAS. I ask unanimous consent that Chris Tyler, an intern in my office, be permitted privileges of the floor for the remainder of today's session.

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

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Cary Cascino, an intern on my staff, be granted the privilege of the floor during the remainder of the debate.

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

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that a staff intern, Bill Ebee, be granted the privilege of the floor for the purpose of this debate.

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

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 894

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I understand that H.R. 894 is at the desk. I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 894) to encourage States to incarcerate individuals convicted of murder, rape, or child molestation.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask for its second reading, and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will receive its second reading on the next legislative day.

NATIONAL FRAGILE X AWARENESS DAY

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from consideration of S. Res. 268, and the Senate then proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 268) designating July 17, through July 23 as National Fragile X Awareness Week.

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

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, Senator EDWARDS and Senator HAGEL have amendments at the desk. I ask unanimous consent that they be considered in the appropriate order, the amendments be agreed to, the motion to reconsider the resolution be laid upon the table, the title amendment be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The amendments (Nos. 3818, 3819, and 3820) were agreed to, as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 3818

On page 2, strike lines 1 and all that follows to page 3, line 2, and insert: "*Resolved*, That the Senate designates July 22, 2000 as 'National Fragile X Awareness Day.'"

AMENDMENT NO. 3819

Strike the preamble and insert: "Whereas Fragile X is the most common inherited cause of mental retardation, affecting people of every race, income level, and nationality;

"Whereas 1 in every 260 women is a carrier of the Fragile X defect;

"Whereas 1 in every 4,000 children is born with the Fragile X defect, and typically requires a lifetime of special care at a cost of over \$2,000,000;"

"Whereas Fragile X remains frequently undetected due to its recent discovery and the lack of awareness about the disease, even within the medical community;

"Whereas the genetic defect causing Fragile X has been discovered, and is easily identified by testing;

"Whereas inquiry into Fragile X is a powerful research model for neuropsychiatric disorders, such as autism, schizophrenia, pervasive development disorders, and other forms of X-linked mental retardation;

"Whereas individuals with Fragile X can provide a homogeneous research population for advancing the understanding of neuropsychiatric disorders;

"Whereas with concerted research efforts, a cure for Fragile X may be developed;

"Whereas Fragile X research, both basic and applied, has been vastly underfunded despite the prevalence of the disorder, the potential for the development of a cure, the established benefits of available treatments and intervention, and the significance that Fragile X research has for related disorders; and

"Whereas the Senate as an institution and Members of Congress as individuals are in unique positions to help raise public awareness about the need for increased funding for research and early diagnosis and treatment for the disorder known as Fragile X: Now, therefore, be it"

AMENDMENT NO. 3820

Amend the title so as to read: "Designating July 22, 2000, as 'National Fragile X Awareness Day'."

The resolution (S. Res. 268), as amended, was agreed to.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2000

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 13.

I further ask unanimous consent that on Thursday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume H.R. 8, the Death Tax Elimination Act.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, at 8:30 a.m. the Senate will resume debate of that legislation. By previous consent at 9:30 a.m., the Senate will proceed to the final three votes on the Defense authorization bill. Following the votes, the Senate will return to consideration of the death tax bill with amendments expected to be offered and voted on throughout the day.

As a reminder, Senators should be prepared to complete action on the death tax legislation and the reconciliation bill prior to this week's adjournment.

As previously indicated by the leader, a late session on Friday and a Saturday session may be necessary.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 8:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 9:53 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, July 13, 2000, at 8:30 a.m.