

specific content in class so that parents can provide appropriate support at home. All families have math “kits” at home so that students can continue to develop ideas at the conceptual level. Families also have access to the district Web site, where the online Student Learning Center provides valuable resources for practice activities at a variety of levels.

In the field of education, there is no single path to success. That is why it is important to highlight those programs like Sojourner’s that are successful and reward their efforts. Intel’s work in promoting mathematics and science education comes at a critical time when America needs more engineers and more mathematicians to stay competitive in a globalizing economy. I am grateful to the teachers at Sojourner Elementary who have worked so hard to set a new standard in math education and that Intel has taken on the responsibility of awarding these remarkable achievements. Our Nation benefits tremendously from sharing these best practices, and I am proud to honor the exceptional work that Sojourner Elementary is doing to educate our Nation’s children and the future leaders of America.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DORGAN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with amendments:

S. 1255. A bill to protect Indian arts and crafts through the improvement of applicable criminal proceedings, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-460).

By Mr. INOUE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with amendments:

S. 2332. A bill to promote transparency in the adoption of new media ownership rules by the Federal Communications Commission, and to establish an independent panel to make recommendations on how to increase the representation of women and minorities in broadcast media ownership (Rept. No. 110-461).

By Mr. DORGAN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 531. A bill to repeal section 10(f) of Public Law 93-531, commonly known as the “Bennett Freeze” (Rept. No. 110-462).

By Mr. REID (for Mr. BIDEN), from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with amendments:

H.R. 176. To authorize the establishment of educational exchange and development programs for member countries of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) (Rept. No. 110-463).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

H.R. 5235. A bill to establish the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1276. A bill to establish a grant program to facilitate the creation of methamphetamine precursor electronic logbook systems, and for other purposes.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S. 3197. A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to exempt for a limited period, from the application of the means-test presumption of abuse under chapter 7, qualifying members of reserve components of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 90 days.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with amendments:

S. 3325. A bill to enhance remedies for violations of intellectual property laws, and for other purposes.

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. HATCH (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 3488. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a tax credit for qualified donations of employee services; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 3489. A bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a study on black carbon emissions; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KERRY, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 3490. A bill to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. Res. 659. A resolution designating September 27, 2008, as Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. INHOPE, Mr. BROWNBAC, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. CLINTON, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. Res. 660. A resolution condemning ongoing sales of arms to belligerents in Sudan,

including the Government of Sudan, and calling for both a cessation of such sales and an expansion of the United Nations embargo on arms sales to Sudan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. DODD (for himself and Mr. WICKER):

S. Res. 661. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Spina Bifida Awareness Month; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. Con. Res. 98. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress on the need for a national AIDS strategy; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 261

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 261, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, and for other purposes.

S. 394

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 394, a bill to amend the Humane Methods of Livestock Slaughter Act of 1958 to ensure the humane slaughter of non-ambulatory livestock, and for other purposes.

S. 439

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 439, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation.

S. 519

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 519, a bill to modernize and expand the reporting requirements relating to child pornography, to expand cooperation in combating child pornography, and for other purposes.

S. 594

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 594, a bill to limit the use, sale, and transfer of cluster munitions.

S. 732

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 732, a bill to empower Peace Corps volunteers, and for other purposes.

S. 860

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 860, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social

Security Act to permit States the option to provide Medicaid coverage for low-income individuals infected with HIV.

S. 906

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 906, a bill to prohibit the sale, distribution, transfer, and export of elemental mercury, and for other purposes.

S. 932

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) were added as cosponsors of S. 932, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to authorize physical therapists to evaluate and treat Medicare beneficiaries without a requirement for a physician referral, and for other purposes.

S. 988

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 988, a bill to extend the termination date for the exemption of returning workers from the numerical limitations for temporary workers.

S. 1232

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1232, a bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Secretary of Education, to develop a voluntary policy for managing the risk of food allergy and anaphylaxis in schools, to establish school-based food allergy management grants, and for other purposes.

S. 1556

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1556, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to designated plan beneficiaries of employees, and for other purposes.

S. 1661

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1661, a bill to communicate United States travel policies and improve marketing and other activities designed to increase travel in the United States from abroad.

S. 1738

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN), the Senator

from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) were added as cosponsors of S. 1738, a bill to establish a Special Counsel for Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction within the Office of the Deputy Attorney General, to improve the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, to increase resources for regional computer forensic labs, and to make other improvements to increase the ability of law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute predators.

S. 1843

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1843, a bill to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 to clarify that an unlawful practice occurs each time compensation is paid pursuant to a discriminatory compensation decision or other practice, and for other purposes.

S. 1924

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1924, a bill to amend chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code, to create a presumption that a disability or death of a Federal employee in fire protection activities caused by any of certain diseases is the result of the performance of such employee's duty.

S. 2092

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2092, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies.

S. 2668

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2668, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove cell phones from listed property under section 280F.

S. 2883

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2883, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Mother's Day.

S. 3136

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3136, a bill to encourage the entry of felony warrants into the NCIC database by States and provide additional resources for extradition.

S. 3283

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) were added as cosponsors of S. 3283, a bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Joseph Medicine Crow, in

recognition of his especially meritorious role as a warrior of the Crow Tribe, Army Soldier in World War II, and author.

S. 3286

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3286, a bill to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 to add sites to the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, and for other purposes.

S. 3311

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3311, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve mental and behavioral health services on college campuses.

S. 3344

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the names of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3344, a bill to defend against child exploitation and child pornography through improved Internet Crimes Against Children task forces and enhanced tools to block illegal images, and to eliminate the unwarranted release of convicted sex offenders.

S. 3362

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3362, a bill to reauthorize and improve the SBIR and STTR programs, and for other purposes.

S. 3367

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3367, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to revise the timeframe for recognition of certain designations in certifying rural health clinics under the Medicare program.

S. 3429

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3429, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide for an increased mileage rate for charitable deductions.

S. 3453

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) and the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) were added as cosponsors of S. 3453, a bill to authorize the adjustment of status for immediate family members of aliens who served honorably in the Armed Forces of the United States during the Afghanistan and Iraq conflicts.

S. 3484

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Maryland

(Mr. CARDIN) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3484, a bill to provide for a delay in the phase out of the hospice budget neutrality adjustment factor under title XVIII of the Social Security Act.

S. CON. RES. 87

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 87, a concurrent resolution congratulating the Republic of Latvia on the 90th anniversary of its declaration of independence.

S. RES. 616

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 616, a resolution reducing maternal mortality both at home and abroad.

S. RES. 636

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. DEMINT), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) and the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 636, a resolution recognizing the strategic success of the troop surge in Iraq and expressing gratitude to the members of the United States Armed Forces who made that success possible.

AMENDMENT NO. 5275

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5275 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5302

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5302 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5303

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI), the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 5303 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and

for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5327

At the request of Mr. CHAMBLISS, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 5327 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5339

At the request of Mr. REID, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5339 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5368

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. DEMINT), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) and the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 5368 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5369

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 5369 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5371

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 5371 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military

personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5409

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5409 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5472

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) and the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 5472 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 5499

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 5499 intended to be proposed to S. 3001, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 3488. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a tax credit for qualified donations of employee services; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I rise today to speak on the Serve America Act of 2008. I, along with my good friend, the senior Senator from Massachusetts, have introduced this legislation in hopes that it will expand service opportunities for people throughout our country. I am pleased to report that it also has the support of Senators MCCAIN, OBAMA, COCHRAN, and DODD.

For some time I have supported the idea of encouraging our people to give 2-years of volunteer service over the course of their lives. In addition, I have long believed that community and faith-based organizations are doing most of the best work at addressing the needs of our people. And, I might add, they do it at a fraction of what it would cost the Federal Government to do similar work. These are the reasons Senator KENNEDY and I have drafted and introduced the Save America Act.