JEFFORDS and I are introducing today. I am also pleased that endorsements of this bill or the very similar House companion bill have been made by the American Society of Pension Actuaries, the American Council of Life Insurance, the American Association of Engineering Societies, the National Defined Contribution Council, the Society for Human Resource Management, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, and AT&T. I ask unanimous consent that their letters of endorsement be inserted in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF LIFE INSURANCE, Washington, DC, May 10, 1996. Hon. EARL POMEROY,

U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC. DEAR EARL: On behalf of the member companies of the American Council of Life Insurance (ACLI), I want to applaud you for introducing H.R. 3077, the "Commission on Retirement Income Policy Act of 1996". Our members strongly support this legislation, which will establish a commission to review and study trends in retirement savings and Federal incentives that encourage and protect such savings.

As you may know, the life insurance industry manages more than one-third of the assets held in private pension plans today which represents \$750 billion in pension assets. With such a large commitment to the retirement security of millions of Americans, our industry is vitally concerned with issues affecting the continued viability and expansion of our retirement system.

Demographic, economic, social and political factors will continue to play a significant role in the financial security of future retirees. The "coming of age" of the baby boom generation, the shift in business to smaller service companies, the increasing prevalence of two income families and the financial uncertainties underlying the current structure of Social Security will necessitate a reassessment of our current approaches to retirement income savings. A rational national retirement income policy must be developed, communicated and supported so that resources can be allocated most efficiently, ensuring that each American can have a financially secure retirement.

It is imperative to promote a framework in which Americans can enjoy a dignified and financially secure retirement. We believe your legislation can help develop that framework. Accordingly, we applaud the leadership role you have undertaken on this important issue and we would encourage your colleagues to co-sponsor the bill. Please do not hesitate to call on the ACLI for support to help enact the legislation.

Sincerely,

CARROLL A. CAMPBELL, JR.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ENGINEERING SOCIETIES, Washington DC, April 26, 1996.

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Hon. Neil Abercrombie,} \\ \mbox{U.S. House of Representatives,} \end{array}$

U.S. House of Represen Washington, DC.

DEAR REPRESENTATIVE ABERCROMBIE: I am writing on behalf of the American Association of Engineering Societies (AAES) to request that your consider co-sponsoring H.R. 3077, which provides for the establishment of the Commission on Retirement Income Policy. The bill was introduced by Representative Earl Pomeroy and Representative Nancy Johnson. A summary of the bill's provisions is attached.

AAES is a multidisciplinary organization of 28 engineering and scientific societies whose more than 800,000 members are dedicated to advancing the knowledge, understanding, and practice of engineering in the public interest. The AAES December 1994 Statement on Retirement Income Policy called for a commission on retirement income policy.

AAES is committed to improving opportunities for engineers and other workers to earn retirement income that will enable them to remain economically secure at the conclusion of their working lives. As the 21st century approaches, demographic and economic changes are imposing severe strains on the nation's retirement income delivery system. For most workers, including engineers, career-long employment with one company is a thing of the past. Members of the U.S. work force now experience periodic unemployment, frequent job changes, and increasing reliance on part-time, temporary. or contract employment, which affect their current livelihood, and their future retire-

ment income security.

AAES believes that the Commission on Retirement Income Policy would give national focus to this crucial issue and would contribute to a fiscally responsible effort to resolve retirement security problems.

We hope you will co-sponsor and work for active consideration of H.R. 3077. Thank you very much for your attention and interest.

Sincerely.

E.L. CUSSLER, 1996 AAES Chairman.

NATIONAL DEFINED CONTRIBUTION COUNCIL, Denver, CO, May 13, 1996.

Hon. EARL POMEROY,

U.S. Congress, Washington, DC.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN POMEROY: On behalf of
the National Defined Contribution Council
("NDCC"), I am writing to applaud your
leadership on retirement savings issues and
support your efforts to establish a commis-

sion on retirement income policy. The NDCC fully supports H.R. 3077, "The Commission on Retirement Income Policy Act of 1996" and looks forward to working with you and other members of Congress on its passage.

The NDCC is a national organization dedicated to the promotion and protection of the defined contribution industry. It has been organized specifically for plan service providers and focuses on public policy analysis, legislative advocacy and educating the public on the need for retirement savings.

The NDCC commends you on your recent proposal to create a commission charged with studying policies to help improve Americans' economic security during retirement. Please feel free to call on us in this effort.

Sincerely,

MARY RUDIE BARNEBY,

President.

SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT, July 3, 1996.

Hon. NANCY JOHNSON, Hon. Earl Pomeroy, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR REPRESENTATIVES JOHNSON AND POMEROY: On behalf of the Society for Human Resource Management, SHRM, I am writing to enthusiastically endorse H.R. 3077, The Commission on Retirement Income Policy Act of 1996. SHRM is the leading voice of the human resource profession, representing the interests of more than 70,000 professional and student members from around the world.

Today most individuals are able to retire comfortably. On average, workers retire earlier and live longer than in the past. However, a number of trends in the economy and workplace suggest that it will become increasingly difficult for American workers to meet their needs for adequate retirement income. The U.S. population is aging rapidly and the elderly live longer. The retirement of the baby boom generation will impose severe pressure on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. It is clear that a coordinated strategy is needed.

That is why H.R. 3077 is so critical. The establishment of the Commission on Retirement Income Policy would give Congress access to the research and recommendations of experts so that America can meet the challenges ahead. This bipartisan legislation should be cosponsored and actively supported by all members of Congress.

Thank you for introducing this key legislation. SHRM looks forward to working with you to see H.R. 3077 considered and passed in 1996.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL R. LOSEY, SPHR,

President & CEO.

AT&T.

Washington, DC, July 17, 1996.

Hon. EARL POMEROY,

U.S. House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN POMEROY: As you are aware, AT&T has a strong interest in its employees and the manner in which they are, or will be, provided for in retirement. Because of our interest in these matters, we were extremely pleased to see the legislation which you and Congresswoman Nancy Johnson have introduced in the House (H.R. 3077). It is our understanding that the legislation, if passed, would establish a commission for the purpose of studying how to best deal with the future retirement needs of this country. The commission, in turn, would issue its findings and recommendations to both the President and Congress by the end of 1997.

AT&T believes that proper planning for the financial needs of retirement and the safeguarding of the retirement savings of U.S. workers is extremely important, and strongly supports your and Rep. Johnson's efforts in introducing and moving H.R. 3077 forward. We urge your House colleagues to co-sponsor this important legislation and to work with us to achieve its swift passage.

Sincerely.

THOMAS R. BERKELMAN,

Director,

Federal Government Affairs.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 684

At the request of Mr. HATFIELD, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. Domenici] were added as cosponsors of S. 684, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for programs of research regarding Parkinson's disease, and for other purposes.

S. 1251

At the request of Mr. HATFIELD, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. MOYNIHAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1251, a bill to establish a National Fund for Health Research to expand medical research programs through increased funding provided to the National Institutes of Health, and for other purposes.

S. 1632

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. Bradley] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1632, a bill to prohibit persons convicted of a crime involving domestic violence from owning or possessing firearms, and for other purposes.

S. 1645

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. ABRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1645, a bill to regulate United States scientific and tourist activities in Antarctica, to conserve Antarctic resources, and for other purposes.

S. 1729

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON. the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. Bradley] and the Senator from Texas [Mr. Gramm] were added as cosponsors of S. 1729, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to stalking.

S. 1731

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. Inhofe] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1731, a bill to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992, and for other purposes.

S. 1862

At the request of Mr. Pressler, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. Thomas] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1862, a bill to permit the interstate distribution of State-inspected meat under appropriate circumstances.

S. 1936

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. Thurmond] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1936, a bill to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.

S. 1962

At the request of Mr. McCain, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. DORGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1962, a bill to amend the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4440

At the request of Mr. ROBB, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4440 proposed to S. 1894, an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4441

At the request of Mr. McCain, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. Grams] was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4441 proposed to S. 1894, an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4444

At the request of Mr. McCain, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Illinois [Ms. Moseley-Braun], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER], the

Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. KERREYl, the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR], the Senator from New Hampshire [Mr. SMITH], the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. HELMS], and the Senator from New York [Mr. D'AMATOl were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4444 proposed to S. 1894, an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4492

At the request of Mr. SIMON, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4492 proposed to S. 1894, an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4575

At the request of Mr. Specter, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. Cochran] was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4575 proposed to S. 1894, an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 279-TO COMMEND DR. LEROY T. WALKER

Mr. STEVENS submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 279

Whereas, Dr. LeRoy T. Walker, as President of the U.S. Olympic Committee from 1992 to 1996, and through a life long commitment to amateur athletics, has significantly improved amateur athletic opportunities in the United States;

Whereas Dr. Walker has contributed in numerous capacities with the U.S. Olympic Committee since 1977;

Whereas, Dr. Walker is the first African-American to serve as President of the U.S. Olympic Committee in its one hundred year history;

Whereas Dr. Walker has furthered amateur athletics in the United States through service in numerous other amateur athletic organizations, including the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games, the North Carolina, Sports Development Commission, the Pan American Sports Organization, the Special Olympics, USA Track and Field, the Athletics Congress, the Amateur Athletic Union. the Army Specialized Training Program, the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, North Carolina Central University, Duke University, Prairie View State College, Bishop College, Benedict College, and many others;

Whereas Dr. Walker was an accomplished athlete himself in collegiate football, basketball and track at Benedict College, and an All-American in football in 1940:

Whereas, as a track and field coach, Dr. Walker helped 77 All-Americans, 40 national champions, eight Olympians, and hundreds of others, reach their potential amateur sports:

Whereas, Dr. Walker epitomizes the spirit of the Amateur Sports Act of 1978, the nation's law governing amateur sports:

Whereas, Dr. Walker was inducted into the U.S. Olympic Hall of Fame in 1987;

Whereas Dr. Walker is recognized as a worldwide leader in the furtherance of amateur athletics:

Whereas Dr. Walker will be leaving his post as the 23rd President of the U.S. Olympic Committee in 1966: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate commends and thanks Dr. LeRoy T. Walker for his service with the U.S. Olympic Committee, his lifelong dedication to the improvement of amateur athletics, and for the enrichment he has brought to so many Americans through these activities.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1997

INOUYE AMENDMENT NO. 4589

Mr. STEVENS (for Mr. INOUYE) proposed an amendment to amendment No. 4439 proposed by Mr. Stevens to the bill (S. 1894) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes; as follows:

In lieu of the matter to be inserted by amendment number 4439, at an appropriate place in the bill insert:

SEC. 8099. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the number of Military Personnel, Navy shall be \$16,948,481,000, the number for Military Personnel, Air Force shall be \$17,026,210,000, the number for Operation and Maintenance, Army shall be \$17,696,659,000 the number for Operation and Air Force Maintenance. shall be \$17,326,909,000, the number for Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide shall be \$9,887,142,000, the number for Overseas Contingency Operations Transfer Fund shall be \$1.140.157.000, the number for Defense Health Program shall be \$10,251,208,000, and the number for Defense Health Program Operation and maintenance shall be \$9.931.738.000.

(b) Of the funds appropriated under the heading Aircraft Procurement, Air Force, \$11.500,000 shall be made available only for modification to B-52 bomber aircraft.

(c) Of the funds appropriated in title VI of this Act, under the heading Chemical Agents and Munitions Destruction, Defense for Research, development, test and evaluation, \$3.000.000 shall only be for the accelerated development of advanced sensors for the Army's Mobile Munitions Assessment System.

(d) Of the funds appropriated in title IV of this Act, under the heading Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Defense-Wide, \$56,200,000 shall be available for the Corps Surface-to-Air Missile (CORPS SAM) program and \$515,743,000 shall be available for the Other Theater Missile Defense/Follow-On TMD Activities program.

(e) Funds appropriated in title II of this Act for supervision and administration costs for facilities maintenance and repair, minor construction, or design projects may be obligated at the time the reimbursable order is accepted by the performing activity: Provided, That for the purpose of this section, supervision and administration costs includes all in-house government costs.

(f) Of the funds appropriated in title IV of this Act, under the heading Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, \$2,000,000 is available for titanium processing technology.

(g) Advance billing for services provided or work performed by the Navy's defense business operating fund activities is prohibited: