

project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CHAFEE (for himself, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. DASCHLE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. BOND, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire):

S. 2244. A bill to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to promote volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 2245. A bill to require employers to notify local emergency officials, under the appropriate circumstances, of workplace emergencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI:

S. 2246. A bill to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S. 2247. A bill to permit the payment of medical expenses incurred by the U.S. Park Police in the performance of duty to be made directly by the National Park Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S. 2248. A bill to allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a state or political subdivision, when required by state law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. REID, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. INOUE, and Mr. TORRICELLI):

S. 2249. A bill to provide retirement security for all Americans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COVERDELL:

S. 2250. A bill to protect the rights of the States and the people from abuse by the Federal Government, to strengthen the partnership and the intergovernmental relationship between State and Federal Governments, to restrain Federal agencies from exceeding their authority, to enforce the Tenth Amendment of the United States Constitution, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself and Mr. SPECTER):

S. 2251. A bill to establish the Lackawanna Valley American Heritage Area; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ABRAHAM:

S. 2252. A bill to amend the Sherman Act and the Federal Trade Commission Act with respect to commerce with foreign nations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. 2253. A bill to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase bullet resistant equipment for use by law enforcement departments; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REED:

S. 2254. A bill to provide for the establishment of an assistance program for health insurance consumers; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 2255. A bill to amend the Agricultural Market Transition Act to prohibit the Secretary of Agriculture from including any

storage charges in the calculation of loan deficiency payments or loans made to producers for loan commodities; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. HOLLINGS, and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 2256. A bill to provide an authorized strength for commissioned officers of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2257. A bill to reauthorize the National Historic Preservation Act; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. GLENN:

S. 2258. A bill to provide for review on case-by-case basis of the effectiveness of country sanctions mandated by statute; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI:

S. 2259. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make certain changes related to payments for graduate medical education under the medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. FORD, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. MOYNIHAN):

S. Res. 255. A resolution to commend the Library of Congress for 200 years of outstanding service to Congress and the Nation, and to encourage activities to commemorate the bicentennial anniversary of the Library of Congress; considered and agreed to.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. LOTT (for Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. BRYAN)):

S. 2238. A bill to reform unfair and anticompetitive practices in the professional boxing industry; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

##### MUHAMMAD ALI BOXING REFORM ACT

• Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I am pleased today to introduce a new bipartisan proposal to improve several aspects of the professional boxing industry in the U.S. I am joined by Senator BRYAN of Nevada in offering this legislation. He has been a great partner in my efforts to improve the safety and integrity of this major industry in the public interest.

This bill is intended to protect boxers from some of the most egregious and onerous business practices which they have been subjected to across the U.S. over the last several decades. It will also help State officials provide more effective public oversight of boxing events held in their jurisdiction, so that they can better prevent business practice abuses and unethical conduct. Furthermore, this legislation will improve integrity and open competition in professional boxing, by curbing its most restrictive and anti-competitive

business practices. This is a limited and modest proposal in many respects, but it is the product of months of consultation with experienced State athletic officials and the most respected and knowledgeable members of the boxing industry.

Let me say a few words about the title of this legislation. I thought it would be a fitting tribute to name an important new reform measure on professional boxing after Muhammad Ali. Mr. Ali had perhaps the most impressive and exciting career in the history of professional boxing, and his many championships and achievements are legendary in the sport. Of course, Muhammad Ali's character, integrity, and personal charm appealed to tens of millions of Americans who did not even consider themselves to be boxing fans. His entire life has been a story of tremendous determination, accomplishment, and perseverance against daunting odds. I feel it most appropriate for the Congress pass a measure to protect the interests of boxers, encourage fair competition, and vastly improve the overall integrity of the boxing industry, that is named in his honor. I want to thank Mr. Ali for his graciousness in letting this legislation be so named.

I have been deeply involved in exploring ways to improve the professional boxing industry for most of this decade. It is a complex task. Many of the steps that need to be taken to permanently end the disreputable and abusive business practices which have long marred the sport must be taken either by members of the industry, or by State officials. I firmly believe that State boxing commissioners and industry leaders must be the primary agents of reform in this sport. It is they who I have continually turned to for advice and recommendations on how the federal government might be of help, albeit in a limited and supportive role.

This proposal seeks to remedy many of the anti-competitive, oppressive, and unethical business practices which have cheated professional boxers and denied the public the benefits of a truly honest and legitimate sport. This reform measure is designed to prohibit the harmful and arbitrary business practices which have clearly hurt the welfare of professional boxers, without imposing unnecessary restrictions or federal intrusions into the sport. I want to emphasize that this proposal requires no State or federal funding; creates no federal bureaucracy; imposes no mandates on State commissions; and requires no new regulatory actions by State boxing commissioners. It is a modest and practical measure that will establish several "fair contracting" standards to protect professional boxers, and enhance important financial disclosures that are made to State commissions by business entities in the industry.

This bill also would establish certain federal standards with which boxing's "sanctioning organizations" must comply. These entities are notorious in the