

original bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 273—RECOGNIZING THE HISTORIC HOME RUN RECORD SET BY MARK MCGWIRE OF THE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS ON SEPTEMBER 8, 1998

Mr. BOND (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CONRAD, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mrs. SNOWE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 273

Whereas, since becoming a St. Louis Cardinal in 1997, Mark McGwire has helped to bring the national pastime of baseball back to its original glory;

Whereas, Mark McGwire has shown leadership, family values, dedication and a love of baseball as a team sport;

Whereas, in April, Mark McGwire began the season with a home run in each of his first four games which tied Willie Mays' 1971 National League record;

Whereas, in May, Mark McGwire hit a 545-foot home run, the longest in Busch Stadium history;

Whereas, in June, Mark McGwire tied Reggie Jackson's record of thirty-seven home runs before the All Star break;

Whereas, in August, Mark McGwire became the only player in the history of baseball to hit fifty home runs in three consecutive seasons;

Whereas, on September 5, Mark McGwire became the third player ever to hit sixty home runs in a season; and

Whereas, on September 8, 1998, Mark McGwire broke Roger Maris' thirty-seven year old home run record of sixty-one by hitting number sixty-two off Steve Trachsel while playing the Chicago Cubs: Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the Senate—recognizes and congratulates St. Louis Cardinal, Mark McGwire, for setting baseball's revered home run record, with sixty-two, in his 144th game of the season.

SENATE RESOLUTION 274—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT THE LOUISVILLE FESTIVAL OF FAITHS SHOULD BE COMMENDED AND SHOULD SERVE AS A MODEL FOR SIMILAR FESTIVALS IN OTHER COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES

Mr. FORD submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 274

Whereas a Festival of Faiths celebrating the diversity of religion has been held in Louisville, Kentucky, in the month of November of each of the last 3 years;

Whereas the Louisville Festival of Faiths has provided an opportunity for representatives of different faiths to communicate with each other and learn about each other's heritage, experiences, and beliefs;

Whereas more than 60 faiths have participated in the Louisville Festival of Faiths over the past 3 years;

Whereas the freedom to practice religion in diverse ways is a principle that the United

States was founded on and one that the United States has embraced throughout its history;

Whereas religious diversity, in addition to its other benefits, expands the perspectives and experiences available to this Nation as a whole;

Whereas the communication of diverse perspectives and experiences between representatives of different religions can enrich the lives of such individuals and can assist such individuals in developing an appreciation of the commonality between different religions;

Whereas such communication can also diminish the potential for conflict between religious groups at a time when the dangers of religious conflict pose increasingly serious problems throughout the world; and

Whereas the Louisville Festival of Faiths experience can be replicated without great difficulty in other communities; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that the Louisville Festival of Faiths—

(1) should be commended for its concept and its achievements to date; and

(2) should serve as a model for similar festivals in other communities throughout the United States.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1999

CLELAND AMENDMENT NO. 3558

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. CLELAND submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 2237) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 154, between lines 3, insert the following:

SEC. 3. CUMBERLAND ISLAND NATIONAL SEASHORE, GEORGIA.

Of funds made available under title V of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998 (111 Stat. 1610), \$6,400,000 shall be made available for the Cumberland Island National Seashore, Georgia.

CONSUMER BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT OF 1998

GRASSLEY (AND HATCH) AMENDMENT NO. 3559

Mr. LOTT (for Mr. GRASSLEY for himself and Mr. HATCH) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 1301) to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the "Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998".

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

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—NEEDS-BASED BANKRUPTCY

Sec. 101. Conversion.

Sec. 102. Dismissal or conversion.

TITLE II—ENHANCED PROCEDURAL PROTECTIONS FOR CONSUMERS

Sec. 201. Allowance of claims or interests.

Sec. 202. Exceptions to discharge.

Sec. 203. Effect of discharge.

Sec. 204. Automatic stay.

Sec. 205. Discharge.

Sec. 206. Discouraging predatory lending practices.

TITLE III—IMPROVED PROCEDURES FOR EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE BANKRUPTCY SYSTEM

Sec. 301. Notice of alternatives.

Sec. 302. Fair treatment of secured creditors under chapter 13.

Sec. 303. Discouragement of bad faith repeat filings.

Sec. 304. Timely filing and confirmation of plans under chapter 13.

Sec. 305. Application of the codebtor stay only when the stay protects the debtor.

Sec. 306. Improved bankruptcy statistics.

Sec. 307. Audit procedures.

Sec. 308. Creditor representation at first meeting of creditors.

Sec. 309. Fair notice for creditors in chapter 7 and 13 cases.

Sec. 310. Stopping abusive conversions from chapter 13.

Sec. 311. Prompt relief from stay in individual cases.

Sec. 312. Dismissal for failure to timely file schedules or provide required information.

Sec. 313. Adequate time for preparation for a hearing on confirmation of the plan.

Sec. 314. Discharge under chapter 13.

Sec. 315. Nondischargeable debts.

Sec. 316. Credit extensions on the eve of bankruptcy presumed nondischargeable.

Sec. 317. Definition of household goods and antiques.

Sec. 318. Relief from stay when the debtor does not complete intended surrender of consumer debt collateral.

Sec. 319. Adequate protection of lessors and purchase money secured creditors.

Sec. 320. Limitation.

Sec. 321. Miscellaneous improvements.

Sec. 322. Bankruptcy judgeships.

Sec. 323. Preferred payment of child support in chapter 7 proceedings.

Sec. 324. Preferred payment of child support in chapter 13 proceedings.

Sec. 325. Payment of child support required to obtain a discharge in chapter 13 proceedings.

Sec. 326. Child support and alimony collection.

Sec. 327. Nondischargeability of certain debts for alimony, maintenance, and support.

Sec. 328. Enforcement of child and spousal support.

Sec. 329. Dependent child defined.

TITLE IV—FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Sec. 401. Definitions of certain contracts and agreements.

Sec. 402. Definitions of financial institution and forward contract merchant.

Sec. 403. Master netting agreement and master netting agreement participant defined.

Sec. 404. Swap agreements, securities contracts, commodity contracts, forward contracts, repurchase agreements and master netting agreements under an automatic stay.

Sec. 405. Limitation of avoidance powers under master netting agreement.