

Section 6. Agreement with Dry Prairie Rural Water Association, Incorporated. Section 6 provides that any agreement between the Tribe and the Dry Prairie Rural Water Association for the use of water that is entered into under section 5 of the Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 2000 is approved by Congress and shall be approved and executed by the Secretary.

By Mr. THOMPSON:

S. 3067. A bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to make Government information security reform permanent, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

Mr. THOMPSON. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce a bill which will make permanent a law which was intended to protect the security of Federal computers and information systems. Over the years, numerous Governmental Affairs Committee hearings and General Accounting Office reports uncovered and identified systemic failures of government information systems which highlighted our Nation's vulnerability to computer attacks, from international and domestic terrorists to crime rings to everyday hackers. As a result, Congress enacted the Government Information Security Reform Act as part of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001, Public Law 106-398. Since its passage in the 106th Congress, the law has required Federal agencies to develop and implement security policies and provided the Office of Management and Budget authority to demand from agencies better plans for improving computer security. Unfortunately, this relatively new law is set to expire next month.

The information security legislation upon which the law is based, which I sponsored along with Senator LIEBERMAN, was reported by the Governmental Affairs Committee and passed by the Senate with no sunset provision. A two-year sunset was added in conference providing that the law expire on November 29, 2002.

The bill I am introducing today would repeal the sunset and restore the language to what originally was approved by the Governmental Affairs Committee and the Senate last Congress. Further, given that the law is commonly referred to as the "Government Information Security Reform Act," the bill also would codify that short title.

We must ensure that Federal agencies continue to protect their assets and prevent hackers and cyberterrorists from wreaking havoc with citizens' sensitive information, such as taxpayer data, veterans' medical records, and social security portfolios. We must not let this law expire.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 3068. A bill to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act to require the Secretary of Agriculture to use the price of feed grains and other cash expenses as factors to determine the basic formula price for milk under

milk marketing orders; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I had sought recognition initially to discuss two other subjects. While the issue of Iraq is very much on the minds of the American people and the focus of attention worldwide, there are other important considerations which are pending and are of interest to Pennsylvanians and what is happening with the economy.

We really cannot let our attention focus solely on Iraq.

There are many matters which involve important economic issues and great numbers of jobs. That is a subject that is very much on my mind with respect to the Pennsylvania dairy farmers. I propose to introduce legislation this afternoon on that subject.

Agriculture is the largest industry in Pennsylvania, and dairy is its single largest component. Pennsylvania is the fourth largest dairy producer in the Nation. We have approximately 10,300 dairy farms which produce \$1.710 billion worth of milk each year.

Regrettably, over the past decades, Pennsylvania has lost an average of 300 to 500 dairy farmers per year. In the years 1993 to 1998, Pennsylvania lost more than 11 percent of its dairy farmers. That is because Pennsylvania farmers have had to deal with drought and other natural disasters, high feed and transportation costs, and other variables that challenge their ability to sustain their farms, but mostly because the cost of production exceeds what has been the average price for class 3 dairy products. It varies tremendously. It was \$15.90 in September of last year. It went down to \$9.92 in September of this year. The cost has been tremendous.

Meanwhile, the average cost of production of milk in Pennsylvania per hundredweight is calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. The average was \$14.32 in the year 2001. The price for milk in January of 2002 was \$11.87 per hundredweight, going down to \$10.82 per hundredweight in May, and \$9.54 per hundredweight in August of this year. The cost of production exceeds what the Pennsylvania dairy farmers are able to obtain for their milk.

I serve on the Agriculture Subcommittee of Appropriations. On May 14 of last year at an extensive hearing in Philadelphia, we heard from economists, we heard from farmers, and an analysis for merchants and an analysis of what was happening on dairy farming.

It is a complex matter. While the price of milk goes down for dairy farmers, the cost of milk goes up to the consumer. I know at the shop where I buy a half-gallon of milk, it was \$1.89, and it jumped to \$2.19 for a half-gallon of milk at the precise time when the payments made to the dairy farmers were going down. It seems to me there really has to be an additional factor in the

calculation of these prices by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

It is for that reason that I am proposing legislation today which would amend section 8(c)(5) of the Agriculture Adjustment Act with amendments by the Agriculture Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 to add the following:

Subsection M, using as factors to determine the basic formula price for milk under an order issued pursuant to this section (i) the price of feed grains, including the cost of concentrates, by-products, liquid, whey, hay, silage, pasture, and other forage; and (ii) other cash expenses, including the cost of hauling, artificial insemination, veterinary services and medicine, bedding and litter, marketing, custom services and supplies, fuel, lubrication, electricity, machinery and building repairs, labor, association fees, and assessments.

During the course of the July and August break, I traveled extensively on open house town meetings throughout Pennsylvania. I heard recurrent complaints from the dairy farmers about being unable to maintain the dairy farms. It is a very important matter that the small dairy farmers be able to continue to produce milk, which is a very important item in our daily diets. I don't think I need to expand upon that point.

But the dairy farmers are facing enormous problems. We had hoped there would be a dairy compact. There had been one for the New England States. Legislation has been introduced—S. 1157—which is now pending before the Judiciary Committee. And the dairy compact would be of material assistance to farmers generally but certainly farmers in Pennsylvania.

We had many Senators supporting the dairy compact concept but have had contentious battles on the Senate floor. And while the proposed legislation on the dairy compact was pending, I do propose the legislation to which I refer, and I send that amendment to the desk.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTIONS 335—RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF JO-ANNE COE

Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. LOTT) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 335

Whereas Jo-Anne Coe served as an employee of the Senate of the United States and ably and faithfully upheld the high standards and traditions of the staff of the Senate from January 3, 1969 until January 31, 1989 for a period that included ten Congresses;

Whereas Jo-Anne Coe was the first woman in history to be elected as the Secretary of the Senate in 1985;

Whereas Jo-Anne Coe served as Secretary of the Senate, Administrative Director of the

Committee on Finance, Administrative Director of the office of Senator Bob Dole and chief of staff under Senator Dole;

Whereas Jo-Anne Coe faithfully discharged the difficult duties and responsibilities of a wide variety of important and demanding positions in public life, with honesty, integrity, loyalty, and humility;

Whereas Jo-Anne Coe's clear understanding and appreciation of the challenges facing the Nation has left her mark on those many areas of public life: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of Jo-Anne Coe;

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased;

Resolved, That when the Senate recesses or adjourns today, it stand recessed or adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of Jo-Anne Coe.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 150—WELCOMING HER MAJESTY QUEEN SIRIKIT OF THAILAND ON HER VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

S. CON. RES. 150

Whereas the United States and the Kingdom of Thailand have enjoyed 169 years of peaceful and constructive relations since the signing of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce in 1833;

Whereas that document was the first such treaty signed between the United States and any Asian nation;

Whereas the United States enjoys both a bilateral security agreement and a military assistance agreement with Thailand and conducts several military exercises with the armed forces of Thailand every year, the largest of which is the Cobra Gold Exercise;

Whereas her Majesty Queen Sirikit, most notably as President of the Thai Red Cross Society, has made major contributions to advancing the social and economic welfare, and health, of the people of Thailand;

Whereas, in order to assist the rural poor of Thailand, Her Majesty Queen Sirikit serves as patron and chairperson of the Foundation for the Promotion of Supplementary Occupations and Related Techniques (SUPPORT);

Whereas, in her capacity as President of the Thai Red Cross Society, Her Majesty Queen Sirikit established the Khao Larn Thai Red Cross Center to provide food, shelter, and medical attention to Cambodian refugees fleeing the turmoil in their country; and

Whereas Her Majesty Queen Sirikit's contributions to the welfare of Thai citizens and of international refugees have been widely recognized by groups as diverse as the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organizations, the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, and the British Royal College of Physicians: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Congress welcomes Her Majesty Queen Sirikit on her visit to the United States and expresses the hope that her visit will further strengthen the deep historical relationship between the United States and the Kingdom of Thailand.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this concurrent resolution to the President with the request that

such copy be further transmitted to the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR AND PENSIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet for a hearing on the nomination of Mark McClellan to be Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration during the session of the Senate on Monday, October 7, 2002, at 1:30 p.m., in SD-430.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on "Judicial Nominations" on Monday, October 7, 2002, in Dirksen Room 226 at 2 p.m.

Panel I: The Honorable Richard Shelby; the Honorable Jeff Sessions; and the Honorable Lincoln Chafee.

Panel II: Rosemary Mayers Collyer to be U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Columbia; Mark Everett Fuller to be U.S. District Court Judge for the Middle District of Alabama; Robert Gary Klausner to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California; Robert Byron Kugler to be U.S. District Court Judge for the District of New Jersey; Ronald Bruce Leighton to be U.S. District Court Judge for the Western District of Washington; Jose Luis Linares to be U.S. District Court Judge for the District of New Jersey; and William Edward Smith to be U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Rhode Island.

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Barbara Teraji, a congressional fellow in my office, be granted floor privileges for the discussion on Iraq.

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

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I make a unanimous consent request that Thomas Swanton, a staff member of my office, be granted floor privileges for the duration of debate on S.J. Res. 45.

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

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that privilege of the floor be granted to Mark Swayne a Military Fellow in my office, as well as James Kadtko a Science and Technology Fellow in my office for the duration of the Senate's debate on S.J. Res. 45, a joint resolution to authorize the use of United States Armed Forces against Iraq.

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

DEATH OF JO-ANNE COE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 335, submitted earlier today by Senators DASCHLE and LOTT.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 335) relative to the death of Jo-Anne Coe.

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

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, Jo-Anne Coe, who made history as the first woman to serve as the Secretary of the Senate after our good friend Bob Dole became Majority Leader in 1985, died suddenly on Friday, September 27, of an aneurysm.

We all have experienced the love and friendship of those most loyal staff who work for and with us over a period of years and eras in our lives. And I am calling to the Senate's attention today the loss of Jo-Anne Coe because she was an especially cherished friend and confidante of the entire Dole family, most recently serving as Bob's indispensable Chief of Staff in the private sector. Some referred to her as Bob's alter ego or "Bob Dole in an ultra suede suit." All who knew her respected and admired her talent and loyalty to Bob and the Senate institution.

On behalf of the entire Senate family, I offer our profound sympathy and prayers to Jo-Anne's family, especially to her daughter Kathryn Lee Coe Coombs of Alexandria, VA.

I ask unanimous consent that a tribute to Jo-Anne Coe be printed in the RECORD.

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

JO-ANNE COE, DOLE CHIEF OF STAFF, FIRST WOMAN SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jo-Anne Lee Coe, 69, Chief of Staff to former Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, and the first woman to serve as Secretary of the US Senate, died September 27 at Inova Fairfax Hospital of an aneurysm. She was a Fairfax County resident.

Mrs. Coe had worked for Senator Dole for nearly 35 years, first joining the staff of then-Congressman Dole in early 1968 as he prepared for his first Senate race. Initially a constituent caseworker, she rose through the ranks to become office manager.

In late 1975, she briefly left the senator's staff to accept an appointment in the Ford Administration. A few months later, President Ford tapped Senator Dole to be his Vice Presidential running mate and Mrs. Coe became Office Manager for the Vice Presidential campaign.

After the campaign, she returned as Office Manager in the Dole Senate office and became the staff member designated as political liaison to his campaign committee under the new Federal Election Campaign Act regulations.

When Senator Dole became Senate Majority Leader in 1985 he nominated Mrs. Coe as his choice for Secretary of the Senate. She was the first woman in history to be elected to this post. As well as supervising the Senate's vast administrative apparatus, historical and archival functions and