

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 28, 2010, at 10 a.m.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 28, 2010, at 10 a.m. in room 406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 28, 2010, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Do Private Long-Term Disability Policies Provide the Protection They Promise?"

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

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 28, 2010, at 10 a.m. in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on September 28, 2010, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Restoring Key Tools to Combat Fraud and Corruption After the Supreme Court's Skilling Decision."

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 28, 2010 at 2:30 p.m.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION, PRODUCT SAFETY, AND INSURANCE

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 28, 2010, at 10:30 a.m., in

room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND MERCHANT MARINE INFRASTRUCTURE, SAFETY, AND SECURITY

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 28, 2010, at 3 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

STEM CELL THERAPEUTIC AND RESEARCH REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2010

Mr. FRANKEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 587, S. 3751.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3751) to amend the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Reauthorization Act of 2010".

SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE STEM CELL THERAPEUTIC AND RESEARCH ACT OF 2005.

(a) **CORD BLOOD INVENTORY.**—Section 2 of the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 274k note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by inserting "the inventory goal of at least" before "150,000";

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking "or is transferred" and all that follows through the period and inserting "for a first-degree relative."; and

(B) in paragraph (3), by striking "150,000";

(3) in subsection (d)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting "beginning on the last date on which the recipient of a contract under this section receives Federal funds under this section" after "10 years";

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking "and" and inserting "and";

(C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (5); and

(D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following:

"(3) will provide a plan to increase cord blood unit collections at collection sites that exist at the time of application, assist with the establishment of new collection sites, or contract with new collection sites;

"(4) will annually provide to the Secretary a plan for, and demonstrate, ongoing measurable progress toward achieving self-sufficiency of cord blood unit collection and banking operations; and";

(4) in subsection (e)—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking "10 years" and inserting "a period of at least 10 years beginning on the last

date on which the recipient of a contract under this section receives Federal funds under this section"; and

(ii) by striking the second sentence and inserting "The Secretary shall ensure that no Federal funds shall be obligated under any such contract after the date that is 5 years after the date on which the contract is entered into, except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3).";

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A)—

(I) by striking "Subject to paragraph (1)(B), the" and inserting "The"; and

(II) by striking "3" and inserting "5";

(ii) in subparagraph (A) by striking "150,000" and all that follows through "and" at the end and inserting "the inventory goal described in subsection (a) has not yet been met";

(iii) in subparagraph (B)—

(I) by inserting "meeting the requirements under subsection (d)" after "receive an application for a contract under this section"; and

(II) by striking "or the Secretary" and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting "or"; and

(iv) by adding at the end the following:

"(C) the Secretary determines that the outstanding inventory need cannot be met by the qualified cord blood banks under contract under this section."; and

(C) by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the following:

"(3) **EXTENSION ELIGIBILITY.**—A qualified cord blood bank shall be eligible for a 5-year extension of a contract awarded under this section, as described in paragraph (2), provided that the qualified cord blood bank—

"(A) demonstrates a superior ability to satisfy the requirements described in subsection (b) and achieves the overall goals for which the contract was awarded;

"(B) provides a plan for how the qualified cord blood bank will increase cord blood unit collections at collection sites that exist at the time of consideration for such extension of a contract, assist with the establishment of new collection sites, or contract with new collection sites; and

"(C) annually provides to the Secretary a plan for, and demonstrates, ongoing measurable progress toward achieving self-sufficiency of cord blood unit collection and banking operations.";

(5) in subsection (g)(4), by striking "or parent"; and

(6) in subsection (h)—

(A) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2) and inserting the following:

"(1) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out the program under this section \$23,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2014 and \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2015.";

(B) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2); and

(C) in paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by striking "in each of fiscal years 2007 through 2009" and inserting "for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2015".

(b) **NATIONAL PROGRAM.**—Section 379 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 274k) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (a)(6) and inserting the following:

"(6) The Secretary, acting through the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, shall submit to Congress an annual report on the activities carried out under this section.";

(2) in subsection (d)—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking "With respect to cord blood, the Program shall—" and inserting the following:

"(A) **IN GENERAL.**—With respect to cord blood, the Program shall—";