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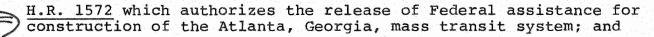
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#### Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

March 16, 1983

The President has signed the following legislation:



S.J. Res. 21 which designates April 1983 as "National Child Abuse Prevention Month".

WASHINGTON

March 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill H.R. 2369 -- Federal

Supplemental Compensation (FSC)

Program Extension

Richard Darman has requested comments by noon today, March 29, on enrolled bill H.R. 2369, which would make the provisions of part A of title V of H.R. 1900 applicable after March 31, 1983. Part A of title V of H.R. 1900 extends for six months federal unemployment benefits which would otherwise expire on March 31. This bill is considered necessary because H.R. 1900, the Social Security bailout bill which contains the extension, may not be enrolled in time for Presidential action before March 31. OMB and Labor recommend approval as soon as possible.

I have reviewed the one-sentence bill and the memorandum for the President prepared by James M. Frey, Assistant Director of OMB for Legislative Reference. Although the approach in the bill is somewhat unorthodox, I see no legal objections.

Attachment

#### WASHINGTON

#### March 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING Orig. signed by FFF

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill H.R. 2369 -- Federal Supplemental Compensation (FSC)

Program Extension

Counsel's Office finds no objection from a legal perspective to the above-referenced enrolled bill.

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## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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Remarks:

May we have your comments on the attached Bill by noon tomorrow, Tuesday, March 29. Thank you.

Richard G. Darman Assistant to the President (x2702)

Response:



# OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MAR 2 8 1983

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 2369 - Federal Supplemental

Compensation (FSC) Program Extension Sponsor - Rep. Ford (D) - Tennessee

#### Last Day for Action

Recommend earliest possible action, but no later than March 31, 1983, when the FSC program expires.

#### Purpose

To prevent the temporary termination of the Federal Supplemental Compensation Program.

#### Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Labor

Approval (Informally)

#### Discussion

Under the Federal Supplemental Compensation (FSC) program, which becomes effective on September 12, 1982, and expires on March 31, 1983, additional weeks of federally financed unemployment compensation benefits are provided to jobless workers who have exhausted all other State and Federal unemployment benefits. In the Employment Act of 1983, which you transmitted to the Congress on March 11, you recommended a six-month extension of the FSC program, through September 30, 1983, with certain revisions in the program. The six-month extension, along with other acceptable program amendments, is contained in part A of title V of H.R. 1900, the Social Security Act Amendments of 1983, which was passed by the Congress last week.

H.R. 2369 would make the provisions of part A of title V of H.R. 1900 effective when H.R. 2369 is signed. H.R. 2369 was introduced on March 24, and passed the same day by voice vote in both Houses. As explained by Chairmen Rostenkowski and Dole in their respective Houses, the bill represents a precautionary measure inasmuch as enrollment of the massive H.R. 1900 may well not be completed in time for it to be signed into law before April 1. Your approval of H.R. 2369 on or before March 31 would ensure that the FSC program is extended without interruption.

The Department of Labor requests informally that the bill be approved at the earliest possible time, to permit certain administrative procedures to be completed before March 31 and thereby avoid potential disruptions in getting the unemployment compensation checks to beneficiaries.

James M. July Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

WASHINGTON

March 24, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill S. 271 -- National

Trails System Amendments

Richard Darman has requested comments by noon March 25 on enrolled bill S. 271, which would designate three new trails as part of the National Trails System, designate six trails for study for possible addition to the System, authorize the Secretary of Interior to accept donated markers for one trail, and make certain amendments respecting management of the Trails System. OMB, Interior, Agriculture, and TVA recommend approval; Transportation, Treasury, and ICC have no objection. The bill passed both Houses by voice vote, and OMB states that it responds to Administration recommendations.

I have reviewed the memorandum for the President from James M. Frey, Assistant Director of OMB for Legislative Reference, and the bill itself, and see no legal objections.

Attachment

#### WASHINGTON

March 24, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDINGrig. signed by FFF.

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill S. 271 -- National

Trails System Amendments

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced enrolled bill, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective.

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#### WASHINGTON

March 24, 1983

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## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

BJECT: ENROLLED	BILL S. 271	- NATIO	NAL TRAILS SYSTEM	MAMENDMEN	ITS
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May we have your comments on the attached Bill by noon Friday, March 25. Thank you.

> Richard G. Darman Assistant to the President

Response:



# OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MAR 23 1983

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill S. 271 - National Trails System Amendments Sponsors - Sen. McClure (R) Idaho and Sen. Wallop (R) Wyoming

## Last Day for Action

March 29, 1983 - Tuesday

#### Purpose

1) Designates three scenic trails as components of the National Trails System; 2) designates six routes for study for possible future additions to the System; 3) makes several amendments to the Act designed to improve management of the System; and 4) authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to accept donated markers for the William Bartram Trail.

### Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of the Interior
Department of Agriculture
Tennessee Valley Authority
Department of Transportation
Department of the Treasury
Interstate Commerce Commission

Approval
Approval
Approval (Informal)
No objection
No objection
No objection

## <u>Discussion</u>

S. 271 would designate three new trails as part of the National Trails System, and six others for future study. The enrolled bill would also make several amendments to the National Trails System Act of 1968 to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of trail management.

In keeping with the Administration's recommendations, the three trails S. 271 would designate as components of the System include:

- -- The Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail, a 704-mile trail in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park, to be managed by the Secretary of the Interior;
- -- the Natchez Trace National Scenic Trail, a system totalling 694 miles between Nashville, Tennessee and Natchez, Mississippi, located almost entirely on Federal lands, to be managed by the Secretary of the Interior; and
- -- the Florida National Scenic Trail, a route of some 1300 miles, mainly on Federal lands, to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Consistent with the Administration's views, the six trails S. 271 would designate for future study include 1) the Juan Bautista de Anza Trail in the Southwest; 2) the Trail of Tears in nine States from North Carolina to Oklahoma; 3) the Illinois Trail; 4) the Jedediah Smith Trail in the Northwest; 5) the General Crook Trail in Arizona; and 6) the Beale Wagon Road in Arizona.

S. 271 also includes amendments to the Act that would 1) require a biannual study of the Trails System; 2) authorize administrative designation of recreation trails on private lands with the consent of the landowner; 3) authorize the transfer of management responsibility for a trail between the Departments of Agriculture and the Interior; 4) facilitate management of trail segments on private lands under cooperative agreement; 5) clarify that donation of trail rights-of-way and easements qualifies for charitable donation tax deductions under the Internal Revenue Code; 6) facilitate the use of discontinued railroad rights-of-way for trail use; 7) authorize appropriations of \$.5 million for land acquisition and \$2 million for development of the Natchez Trace National Scenic Trail; 8) authorize all Federal land management agencies to use volunteers in maintaining and managing trails; 9) designate a recreation trail in California as the "Bizz Johnson Trail"; 10) designate a segment of the Nantahala National Forest in North Carolina as the "Roy Taylor Forest"; and 11) authorize the Secretary of the Interior to accept donated markers for the William Bartram Trail.

We concur in the views of the Departments of the Interior and Agriculture that the enrolled bill, which passed both Houses of the Congress by voice vote, responds to the Administration's recommendations with regard to designation of trails as components of the National Trails System and would allow several cost-saving trail management initiatives to be implemented. Accordingly, we recommend your approval of S. 271.

Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

#### Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

March 29, 1983

The President has signed S. 271 which 1) designates three scenic trails as components of the National Trails System; 2) designates six routes for study for possible future additions to the System; 3) makes several amendments to the Act designed to improve management of the System; and 4) authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to accept donated markers for the William Bartram Trail.

#### Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

March 29, 1983

The President has signed the following legislation:

H.R. 2112 which extends by six months, until September 30, 1983, the expiration date of the Defense Production Act.

H.R. 2369 which prevents the temporary termination of the Federal Supplemental Compensation Program.

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## THE WHITE HOUSE

April 14, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Proposed State Department Letter on S. 651, a Bill to Regulate Nomination of Ambassadors

OMB has asked for our review of a proposed letter from Powell Moore, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, to Chairman Percy of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. The letter responds to the Chairman's request for State Department views on S. 651, which provides that "[a]t any time, not less than 85 per centum of the total number of positions of chiefs of mission which are occupied shall be held by career members of the [Foreign] Service."

Moore's letter opposes the bill, noting that the Constitution already provides the advice and consent mechanism through which the Senate can act to ensure the quality of ambassadors. Moore also cites existing § 304 of the Foreign Service Act (22 U.S.C. § 3944), which specifies that chiefs of mission should normally be career foreign service members and should possess enumerated qualities. Of particular significance, Moore notes that S. 651 could be considered an infringement on the President's constitutional appointment powers, Art. II, § 2, and that "any attempt to place an arbitrary limit on the authority of the President to forward to the Senate a nomination of his own choosing is unconstitutional."

NSC has approved the proposed letter, and I have determined that Justice (OLC) has also advised OMB that it approves. I see no objections. The letter correctly highlights the serious constitutional concern and lays the groundwork for a veto should that become necessary.

Attachment

#### WASHINGTON

#### April 14, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES M. FREY

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

FROM:

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FRED F. FIELDING Orig. signed by FFF COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

State Department Report on S. 651

Counsel's Office has reviewed the proposed State Department report on S. 651. We have no legal objection to the report.

FFF: JGR: aw 4/14/83

cc: FFFielding

JGRoberts.

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WASHINGTON

April 21, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill S. 126 -- Alcohol and and Drug Abuse Amendments of 1983

Richard Darman has requested comments by close of business April 22 on enrolled bill S. 126, which extends through fiscal year 1984 appropriation authorizations for alcohol and drug abuse research and prevention programs within HHS. The 1983 levels are those contained in the continuing resolution; the 1984 levels those requested in the 1984 budget. The bill also consolidates existing research authorities in a new title of the Public Health Service Act, creates a new position of Associate Administrator for Prevention within the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration (ADAMHA), consolidates several reporting requirements, eliminates the requirement for an interagency committee on federal alcohol abuse activities, and expressly includes Native Hawaiians in the definition of Native Americans in the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Act.

OMB recommends approval. HHS objects to the establishment of a new Associate Administrator within ADAMHA, but also recommends approval of the bill. I have reviewed the memorandum for the President from James M. Frey, Assistant Director of OMB for Legislative Reference, and the bill itself. I see no reason to disagree with OMB and HHS.

Attachment

WASHINGTON

April 21, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING Orig. signed by FFF

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill S. 126 -- Alcohol and

and Drug Abuse Amendments of 1983

Counsel's Office finds no objection from a legal perspective to the above-referenced enrolled bill.

FFF: JGR: aw 4/21/83

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#### WASHINGTON

#### April 21, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

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COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

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## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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#### Remarks:

May we have your comments on the attached Bill by close of business Friday, April 22. Thank you.

Richard G. Darman Assistant to the President (x2702)

Response:



# EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

APR 2 0 1983

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill S. 126 - Alcohol and Drug Abuse

Amendments of 1983

Sponsor - Sen. Humphrey (R) New Hampshire

#### Last Day for Action

April 27, 1983 - Wednesday

#### Purpose

Extends the appropriation authorizations for alcohol and drug abuse research and prevention programs of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); establishes a new position of Associate Administrator for Prevention; and consolidates provisions of law relating to alcohol, drug abuse, and mental health programs.

#### Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Health and Human Services

Approval

#### Discussion

- S. 126 would extend through fiscal year 1984 the appropriation authorizations for HHS's alcohol and drug abuse research and prevention activities. These activities are administered by the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration (ADAMHA) through the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) and the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA). Extension of the authorizations for these activities, which expired on September 30, 1982, had been requested by the Administration. S. 126, which is essentially the same as legislation agreed on by a House-Senate conference committee last year, passed by voice vote in both the House and Senate.
- S. 126 would authorize (a) \$33,484,000 in 1983 and \$45,790,000 in 1984 for alcohol research activities and (b) \$47,374,000 in 1983 and \$56,160,000 in 1984 for research on drug abuse. The 1983 authorizations in the bill are at the funding levels provided in the continuing resolution (P.L. 97-377) and are included in S. 126 only to prevent an appearance of a funding gap in the substantive law. The appropriation authorizations for 1984 are at the levels requested in your 1984 Budget. Although S. 126 does not provide authorizations for five years

as requested by the Administration, HHS notes in its views letter that it intends to seek such authorizations in future years.

In addition to the authorization extensions, S. 126 would:

- -- consolidate Federal alcohol, drug abuse, and mental health research activities, as well as related miscellaneous authorities, within a new Title V of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act. These authorities were previously contained in the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment, and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 and the Drug Abuse Prevention, Treatment, and Rehabilitation Act. The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee report on S. 126 states that consolidation of these authorities within Title V of the PHS Act reflects the Congress' support for maintaining ADAMHA as a discrete and independent agency of the U.S. Public Health Service.
- -- establish a new position of Associate Administrator for Prevention within the ADAMHA administrative structure and require an annual report to Congress on ADAMHA prevention activities. HHS opposes the requirement for an Associate Administrator for Prevention; the Department believes, and we agree, that legislation should not prescribe specific organizational structures for the Executive Branch.
- -- consolidate the report by the President to Congress on the activities of the Office of Drug Abuse Policy with the national drug abuse strategy report and make it biennial instead of annual.
- -- consolidate and reduce the frequency of other reports on alcohol and drug abuse.
- -- eliminate the statutory mandate for an Interagency Committee on Federal Activities for Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.
- -- expressly include Native Hawaiians in the definition of Native Americans in the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Acts.

Although HHS objects to the establishment in statute of an Associate Administrator for Prevention position, it believes the provision "is not sufficiently important to bring into question the overall merits of the bill", and thus recommends approval of S. 126. We agree with HHS's recommendation.

Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

#### Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

April 26, 1983

The President has signed the following legislation:

S. 126 which extends the appropriation authorizations for alcohol and drug abuse research and prevention programs of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); establishes a new position of Associate Administrator for Prevention; and consolidates provisions of law relating to alcohol, drug abuse, and mental health programs; and,

S.J. Res. 53 which authorizes and requests the President to designate the month of May 1983, as "National Physical Fitness and Sports Month.

WASHINGTON

April 28, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill S. 304 --Burns Paiute Indian Lands

Richard Darman has requested comments by noon April 29 on the above-referenced enrolled bill, which would declare the estate of Jesse James (not that Jesse James) public trust land held by the United States for the Burns Paiute Indians. James, a Burns Pauite, died intestate with no heirs, leaving a 160-acre public domain allotment. In such cases 25 U.S.C. § 373b provides the land shall escheat to the Secretary of Interior to be held in trust for the tribe, if its value does not exceed \$2,000. Here the land is worth \$9,600, and accordingly this specific congressional action is necessary. The bill also accords similar treatment to the land of any other Burns Paiute Indians who die intestate without heirs in Harvey County, Oregon. Finally, the bill raises the limits in 25 U.S.C. § 373b from \$2,000 to \$50,000. OMB and Interior recommend approval; Justice defers to Interior.

I have reviewed the memorandum for the President from Naomi Sweeney, Acting Assistant Director of OMB for Legislative Reference, and the bill itself. I see no legal objections.

Attachment

WASHINGTON

April 28, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

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SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill S. 304 --Burns Paiute Indian Lands

Counsel's Office has no objection from a legal perspective to the above-referenced enrolled bill.

FFF: JGR: aw 4/28/83

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WASHINGTON

April 28, 1983

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### WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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4/27/83 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: NOON, 4/29/83 DATE: \_

SUBJECT: ENROLLED BILL S. 304 - BURNS PAIUTE INDIAN LANDS

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#### Remarks:

May we have your comments on the attached enrolled bill by 12:00 Noon, Friday, April 29. Thank you.

> Richard G. Darman Assistant to the President (x2702)

Response:



## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

#### APR 2 7 1983

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill S. 304 - Burns Paiute Indian Lands
Sponsor - Senator Hatfield (R) Oregon

#### Last Day for Action

Tuesday, May 3, 1983

#### Purpose

Provides for intestate succession of certain public domain allotments to the Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon.

#### Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of the Interior
Department of Justice

Approval Defers to Interior(Included ally)

#### Discussion

Mr. Jesse J. James was a Burns Paiute Indian who died intestate in 1978 with an estate consisting principally of a 160-acre public domain allotment located in Harvey County, Oregon. The Department of the Interior, in accordance with Oregon law governing intestate succession, determined that Mr. James had no heirs and that the land should escheat to the United States in trust for the Burns Paiute Indian Colony.

Current law authorizes placing such lands in trust when the Secretary of the Interior determines that the land lies within or adjacent to an Indian community and may be used advantageously for Indian purposes. However, specific congressional action is required in cases where the value of the estate exceeds \$2,000, and the James estate was valued at some \$9,600.

Consistent with the Administration's recommendation, S. 304 stipulates that Mr. James' 160-acre public domain allotment is to be held in trust by the United States for the Burns Paiute Indian Colony and as a part of the Burns Paiute Indian Reservation. The

enrolled bill further provides for identical treatment of all Burns public domain allotments located in Harvey County, Oregon, that belong to Indians who die intestate without heirs. Finally, S. 304 raises the ceiling, from \$2,000 to \$50,000, for the value of Indian estate lands that the Secretary may hold in trust without specific congressional authorization.

S. 304 passed both Houses of Congress by voice vote.

Acting Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

## Minety-eighth Congress of the United States of America

#### AT THE FIRST SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the third day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three

### An Act

To hold a parcel of land in trust for the Burns Paiute Tribe.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, pursuant to section 2 of the Act of November 24, 1942 (56 Stat. 1021, 1022; 25 U.S.C. 373b), the estate of Jesse Joseph James, Burns 144-N1116, consisting of a public domain allotment numbered 144-111, northwest quarter, section 32, township 23 south, range 32½ east, Willamette meridian, Harney County, Oregon, is hereby declared to be held in trust by the United States for the Burns Paiute Indian Colony of

Oregon and part of the Burns Paiute Indian Reservation.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of the Act of November 24, 1942 (56 Stat. 1022; 25 U.S.C. 373b), is amended by inserting the following immediately before the period at the end thereof: "Provided further, That interests in all Burns public domain allotments located in Harney County, Oregon, belonging to Indians who die intestate without heirs shall be held in trust by the United States for the Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon and shall be part of the Burns Paiute Indian Reservation". However, no non-Indian lands in Harney County, Oregon, shall be considered Indian country as defined in section 1151 of title 18, United States Code.

SEC. 3. Section 2 of the Act of November 24, 1942 (56 Stat. 1022; 25 U.S.C. 373b), is amended by deleting "\$2,000" and inserting in lieu

thereof "\$50,000".

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.

#### Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

May 2, 1983

The President today signed S. 304, which provides for intestate succession of certain public domain allotments to the Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon.

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#### Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

May 4, 1983

The President has signed the following legislation:

H.J. Res. 245 which corrects Public Law 98-8 due to errors in the enrollment of H.R. 1718 (The Jobs Bill); and

S.J. Res. 62 which designates the week beginning May 15, 1983, as "National Parkinson's Disease Week".