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Victims' Rights

H.Res. 1007 - Expressing the condolences of the House to those affected by the devastating shooting incident of February 14, 2008, at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois.

- Sponsor: Rep Manzullo, Donald A. (R-IL)
- Status: House Committee on Education and Labor

H.Res. 652 - Expresses the sense of Congress regarding the importance of protecting American cruise ship passengers against crimes on the high seas and ensuring that the perpetrators of such crimes are brought to justice.

- Sponsor: Rep. Matsui, Doris O. (D-CA)
- Status: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security

H.R. 3577 - Directs the Attorney General to provide grants for Internet safety education programs. These programs are designed to educate parents, children, educators, and communities about Internet technology and culture, appropriate online behavior, and recognition and prevention of potential Internet dangers and cyber-bullying.

- Sponsor: Rep. Sanchez, Linda (D-CA)
- Status: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet

H.R. 2517, Protecting Our Children Comes First Act of 2007 - Amends the Missing Children's Assistance Act to reauthorize through FY2013, and revise requirements for uses of, the annual grant to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children by the Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

- Sponsor: Rep. Lampson, Nick (D-TX)
- Status: Passed House 408 - 3 (Roll no. 1132)

H.R. 3369 – Provides \$10,000 per day compensation and up to a total of \$500,000 if the person was tortured or died. Citizens can claim compensation from the U.S. as long as

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they have obtained a judgment on a claim filed prior to the date of enactment of this Act in a court of the United States against a foreign state seeking compensation for injuries caused by an act of hostage-taking or terrorism. A person who has accepted compensation may not commence or maintain in any court in the United States a civil action against a foreign state. President is to establish within 60 days of this Act in the Treasury a Hostage Victims Fund to pay this compensation. This money shall be made up of blocked assets of terrorist organizations, improper conduct from the U.N.'s Oil for Food Program, amounts received from fine or forfeiture for a violation of a number of federal laws against enemies.

- Sponsor: Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana (R-FL)

- Status: Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law

H.R. 2518, Bring our Children Home Act - Reauthorizes the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and the DOJ Missing and Exploited Children's program until 2013.

- Sponsor: Rep. Lampson, Nick (D-TX)

- Status: Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities

H.R. 2395, Security and Financial Empowerment (SAFE) Act - Permits victims of domestic or sexual violence to substitute existing leave in lieu of emergency leave. Prohibits denial of unemployment compensation to individuals separated from employment due to their experience of domestic or sexual violence. Prohibits denial or restriction of insurance coverage (including termination of health insurance coverage) based on the status of the applicant or insured as a victim of domestic or sexual violence.

- Sponsor: Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille (D-CA)

- Status: Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities

H.R. 2106, No Parole for Sex Offenders Act - Requires a state that is receiving federal funds to put into effect laws and policies that prohibit parole for any individual convicted of a crime against a minor and any sexually violent predator. Grants states three years to implement such laws and policies (with one additional two-year extension for states making good faith efforts at implementation). Any state that does not participate will see a 10% reduction in this federal funding until they do.

- Sponsor: Rep. Chandler, Ben (R-KY)

- Status: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security

H.R. 1120, Deleting Online Predators Act of 2007 - Requires schools and libraries that receive federal universal service funds to prohibit access to a commercial social networking website or chat room unless used for an educational purpose with adult supervision; and protects against access to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors. Allows an administrator, supervisor, or other authorized person to disable such a technology protection measure during use by an adult, or by minors with adult supervision, to enable access for educational purposes. Directs the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to issue a consumer alert regarding use of the Internet by child predators and the potential dangers to children because of such

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use, including the potential dangers of commercial social networking websites and chat rooms; and establish a website resource of information for parents, teachers, school administrators, and others regarding potential dangers posed by the use of the Internet by children.

- Sponsor: Rep. Kirk, Mark Steven (R-IL)

- Status: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet

H.Res. 281 - Supports the goals and ideals of National Internet Safety Month.

Recognizes that parents, teachers, and community leaders can empower children to resist online sexual predators.

- Sponsor: Rep. Green, Gene (D-TX)

- Status: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet

H.R. 2165, Teri Zenner Social Worker Safety Act - Establishes a grant program to assist in the provision of safety measures to protect social workers and other professionals who work with at-risk populations.

- Sponsor: Rep. Moore, Dennis (D-KA)

- Status: House Committee on Education and Labor

H.Res. 340 - Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives of the importance of providing a voice for the many victims (and families of victims) involved in missing persons cases and unidentified human remains cases.

- Sponsor: Rep. Chabot, Steve (R-OH)

- Status: Passed House 389-1 (Roll no. 894)

H.R. 876, Securing Adolescents From Exploitation-Online Act of 2007 (SAFE Act) -

Expands the reporting requirements of electronic communication and remote computing service providers with respect to violations of child sexual exploitation and pornography laws. Authorizes appropriations for grants to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Authorizes courts to order monitoring of Internet use by a convicted sex offender as a condition for such offender's supervised release.

- Sponsor: Rep. Chabot, Steve (R-OH)

- Status: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security

H.R. 719, Keeping the Internet Devoid of Sexual Predators Act of 2007 - Amends the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act to require a convicted sex offender to provide for inclusion in the National Sex Offender Registry any electronic mail address, instant message address, or other similar identifier used to communicate over the Internet. Imposes a fine and/or prison term of up to 10 years for failure by any sex offender to provide information required by this Act; and up to 20 years for age misrepresentation with the intent to use the Internet to engage in criminal sexual conduct with a minor.

- Sponsor: Rep. Pomeroy, Earl (D-ND)

- Status: Passed House 417 - 0 (Roll no. 1092)

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H.Res. 119 - Supports the mission and goals of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 22nd through April 28th, in order to increase public awareness of the rights, needs, and concerns of victims and survivors of crime in the United States.

- Sponsor: Rep. Costa, Jim (D-CA)

- Status: Passed House 407-0 (Roll no. 252)

H.Res. 223 - Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims.

- Sponsor: Rep. Shadegg, John B. (R-AZ)

- Status: Passed House 369-0 (Roll No. 343)

H.Res. 289 - Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to raising awareness and encouraging prevention of sexual assault in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month.

- Sponsor: Rep. Moran, James (D-VA)

- Status: Passed House 410-0 (Roll No. 251)

H.R. 271, Audrey Nerenberg Act - Amends the Missing Children's Assistance Act to include within the definition of child under such Act an individual whose mental capacity is less than 18 years of age as determined by an appropriate medical authority.

- Sponsor: Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny (R-FL)

- Status: Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities

H.R. 423, Kristen's Act Reauthorization of 2007 - Directs the Bureau of Justice Assistance to make grants to public agencies and/or nonprofit private organizations to maintain a national resource center and information clearinghouse for missing and unidentified adults, maintain a national, interconnected database for tracking missing adults, coordinate public and private programs that locate or recover missing adults, and provide assistance and training to law enforcement agencies.

- Sponsor: Rep. Myrick, Sue (R-NC)

- Status: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security

H.Res. 856 - Expresses heartfelt sympathy for the victims and families of the shootings in Omaha, Nebraska, on Wednesday, December 5, 2007.

- Sponsor: Rep. Terry, Lee (R-NE)

- Status: Passed House 387 - 0 (Roll no. 1163)

H.Res. 886 - Expressing sympathy to the victims and families of the tragic acts of violence in Colorado Springs, Colorado and Arvada, Colorado.

- Sponsor: Rep. Lamborn, Doug (R-CO)

- Status: House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

H.R. 3990, Military Domestic and Sexual Violence Response Act - Establishes in the Department of Defense (DOD) an Office of the Victims' Advocate to facilitate access to services for victims of domestic or family violence, sexual assault, and stalking in the

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military. Directs the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Office, to require DOD policies for victim assistance, family advocacy, and equal opportunity programs to provide for a victims' advocates program within each military department.

- Sponsor: Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh (D-NY)

- Status: Subcommittee on Military Personnel

H.R. 4015, Job Protection for Survivors Act

- Sponsor: Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille (D-CA)

- Status: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions

H.R. 4016, Unemployment Insurance for Survivors Act of 2007

- Sponsor: Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille (D-CA)

- Status: House Committee on Ways and Means

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