

**AMENDMENT TO THE CHAIRMAN'S MARK
For the Fiscal Year 2001 Senate Budget Resolution**

Offered by Senators Boxer and Smith

To increase the commitment to control and eliminate the growing international problem of tuberculosis, consistent with authorizing legislation approved by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

- 1. The Senate finds that--
 - (A) According to the World Health Organization--
 - (1) nearly 2 million people worldwide die each year of tuberculosis-related illnesses;
 - (2) one-third of the world's total population is infected with tuberculosis; and
 - (3) tuberculosis is the world's leading killer of women between 15 and 44 years old and is a leading cause of children becoming orphans.
 - (B) Because of the ease of transmission of tuberculosis, its international persistence and growth pose a direct public health threat to those nations that had previously largely controlled the disease. This is complicated in the United States by the growth of the homeless population, the rate of incarceration, international travel, immigration, and HIV/AIDS.
 - (C) With nearly 40 percent of the tuberculosis cases in the United States attributable to foreign-born persons, tuberculosis will never be eliminated in the United States until it is controlled abroad.
 - (D) The means exist to control tuberculosis through screening, diagnosis, treatment, patient compliance, monitoring, and ongoing review of outcomes.
- 2. It is the sense of the Senate that the resolution assumes that additional resources should be provided to fund international tuberculosis control efforts at \$60 million in fiscal year 2001, consistent with authorizing legislation approved by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

VOTE ON: _____

DATE: _____

YEA

By voice vote

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