

# **CIVIL APPLICATIONS RELATED LEGISLATION**

## **STEVENSON WYDLER TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION ACT**

It is the purpose of this Act to improve the economic, environmental, and social well-being of the United States by-

- (1) establishing organizations in the executive branch to study and stimulate technology;
- (2) promoting technology development through the establishment of centers for industrial technology;
- (3) stimulating improved utilization of federally funded technology developments by State and local governments and the private sector.
- (4) providing encouragement for the development of technology through the recognition of individuals and companies which have made outstanding contributions in technology; and
- (5) encouraging the exchange of scientific and technical personnel among academia, industry, and Federal laboratories.

"It is the sense of Congress that departments and agencies...whose missions are affected by, or could contribute to, the programs established under this Act, should, within the limits of budgetary authorizations and appropriations, support and participate in activities or projects authorized by this act." Departments and agencies... are authorized to participate in, contribute to, and serve as resources for ... any other activities authorized under this act."

### **PUBLIC LAW 99-145 - ENCOURAGEMENT OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER**

"The Secretary of Defense shall encourage, to the extent consistent with national security objectives, the transfer of technology between laboratories and research centers of the Department of Defense and other Federal Agencies, State and Local Governments, colleges and universities, and private persons in cases that are likely to result in the maximum domestic use of such technology."

"The secretary shall examine and implement methods ...that are consistent with national security objectives and to enable Department of Defense personnel to promote technology transfer."

### **NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987 COORDINATION AND COMMUNICATION OF DEFENSE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

"The Secretary of Defense shall promote, monitor, and evaluate programs for the communication and exchange of technological data among the Defense research facilities, combatant commands, and other organizations that are involved in developing for the Department of Defense the technological requirements for new items for use by combat forces and among Defense research facilities, and other offices, agencies, and bureaus in the Department that are involved in related technological matters."

## HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FY 87 APPROPRIATIONS BILL

"Recognizing the potential for many civil applications of Strategic Defense Initiative technologies and the potential payback to the American taxpayer of the exploitation of those technologies that are not militarily sensitive, the Committee approves the use of not more than \$2,000,000 of the overall fiscal year 1987 SDI appropriation for management, identification, and exploitation of these technologies for civil, medical, and scientific benefits for all mankind." (This legislation was subsumed in the Conventional Defense Initiative Language of the joint conference)

**Senator Sam Nunn, Congressional Record August 4, 1986**

**Other technological gains might find application in other ways, but we have got to use our technology that is developed with the very large expenditures we are making in the defense arena, we have got to utilize that technology to spinoff to commercial application so our economy can again become competitive and so our research effort in defense can be cross-walked to our commercial purposes."**