

SEC. ____ . EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM.

In addition to amounts otherwise made available under this Act, there is appropriated \$60,000,000, to remain available until expended, for the emergency conservation program established under title IV of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2201 et seq.), an additional amount to repair damage to farmland (including nurseries and structures) in the State of Florida resulting from Hurricane Charley or Frances.

SEC. ____ . AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT.

In addition to amounts otherwise made available under this Act, there is appropriated \$25,000,000, to remain available until expended, for the Agricultural Credit Insurance Fund program account for the cost of emergency insured loans for costs in the State of Florida resulting from Hurricane Charley or Frances.

SEC. ____ . EMERGENCY GRANTS TO ASSIST LOW-INCOME MIGRANT AND SEASONAL FARMWORKERS.

In addition to amounts otherwise made available under this Act, there is appropriated \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended, for emergency grants to assist low-income migrant and seasonal farmworkers under section 2281 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 5177a): *Provided*, That the emergency services to be provided may include such types of assistance as the Secretary of Agriculture determines to be necessary and appropriate (including repair of existing farmworker housing and construction of new farmworker housing units, including housing that may be used by H-2A workers) to replace housing damaged as a result of Hurricane Charley or Frances.

SEC. ____ . RURAL HOUSING FOR DOMESTIC FARM LABOR.

In addition to amounts otherwise made available under this Act, there is appropriated \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended, for rural housing for domestic farm labor for the cost of repair and replacement of uninsured losses resulting from natural disasters such as Hurricanes Charley and Frances.

SEC. ____ . STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY.

In addition to amounts otherwise made available under this Act, there is appropriated \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$2,500,000 shall be made available for urban and community forestry and of which \$2,500,000 shall be made available for wildland-urban interface fire suppression efforts resulting from fuel loading from damaged or destroyed tree stands in the State of Florida resulting from Hurricane Charley or Frances.

SEC. ____ . EMERGENCY DESIGNATION.

The amounts appropriated in this title are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of S. Con. Res. 95 (108th Congress), as made applicable to the House of Representatives by H. Res. 649 (108th Congress) and applicable to the Senate by section 14007 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108-287; 118 Stat. 1014).

SA 3653. Mr. REID submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 12, line 23, insert before the last period “: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$53,000,000 may be provided for transportation worker identification credentialing

and \$2,000,000 for tracking trucks carrying hazardous material”.

SA 3654. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 515 (a) insert “and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate” after “Governmental Affairs”.

SA 3655. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 7, line 16, strike “\$2,413,438,000,” and insert the following: “\$2,763,438,000, of which \$200,000,000 shall be reserved for the International Civil Aviation Organization to establish biometric and document identification standards to measure multiple immutable physical characteristics, including fingerprints, eye retinas, and eye-to-eye width and for the Department of Homeland Security to place multiple biometric identifiers at each point of entry; of which \$50,000,000 shall be reserved for a program that requires the government of each country participating in the visa waiver program to certify that such country will comply with the biometric standards established by the International Civil Aviation Organization; of which \$25,000,000 shall be reserved for the entry and exit data systems of the Department of Homeland Security to accommodate traffic flow increases; of which \$50,000,000 shall be reserved to integrate the entry and exit data collection and analysis systems of the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of State, and the Department of Justice, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation; of which \$25,000,000 shall be reserved to establish a uniform translation and transliteration service for all ports of entry to identify the names of individuals entering and exiting the United States;”.

SA 3656. Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. REED, Mrs. CLINTON, and Mr. KENNEDY) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 20, line 7, strike “\$1,200,000,000” and insert “\$1,550,000,000”.

On page 20, line 13, strike “\$150,000,000” and insert “\$500,000,000”.

SA 3657. Mr. COCHRAN (for Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. AKAKA)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 39, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

SEC. 515. Sections 702 and 703 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 342 and 343) are amended by striking “, or to another official of the Department, as the Secretary may direct” each place it appears.

SA 3658. Mr. COCHRAN (for Mr. DOMENICI) proposed an amendment to

the bill H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ .

Section 208(a) of Public Law 108-137; 117 Stat. 1849 is amended by striking “current” and inserting “2005”.

SA 3659. Mr. COCHRAN (for Mr. TALENT) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . LIAISON FOR DISASTER EMERGENCIES.

(a) DEPLOYMENT OF DISASTER LIAISON.—If requested by the Governor or the appropriate State agency of the affected State, the Secretary of Agriculture may deploy disaster liaisons to State and local Department of Agriculture Service Centers in a federally declared disaster area whenever Federal Emergency Management Agency Personnel are deployed in that area, to coordinate Department programs with the appropriate disaster agencies designated under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.).

(b) QUALIFICATIONS.—A disaster liaison shall be selected from among Department employees who have experience providing emergency disaster relief in federally declared disaster areas.

(c) DUTIES.—A disaster liaison shall—

(1) serve as a liaison to State and Federal Emergency Services;

(2) be deployed to a federally declared disaster area to coordinate Department inter-agency programs in assistance to agricultural producers in the declared disaster area;

(3) facilitate the claims and applications of agricultural producers who are victims of the disaster that are forwarded to the Department by the appropriate State Department of Agriculture agency director; and

(4) coordinate with the Director of the State office of the appropriate Department agency to assist with the application for and distribution of economic assistance.

(d) DURATION OF DEPLOYMENT.—The deployment of a disaster liaison under subsection (a) may not exceed 30 days.

(e) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “federally declared disaster area” means—

(1) an area covered by a Presidential declaration of major disaster, including a disaster caused by a wildfire, issued under section 301 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170); or

(2) determined to be a disaster area, including a disaster caused by a wildfire, by the Secretary under subpart A of part 1945 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session on Tuesday, September 14, 2004, at 10 a.m., to hear testimony on “Implementing the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit and

Medicare Advantage Program: Perspectives on the Proposed Rules.”

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to continue its markup on Tuesday, September 14, 2004 at 10 a.m. in Dirksen Senate Office Building Room 226.

Agenda

I. Nominations

Claude A. Allen, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit; David E. Nahmias, of Georgia, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia; Ricardo H. Hinojosa, to be Chair of the United States Sentencing Commission; Michael O'Neill, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission; Ruben Castillo, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission; William Sanchez, to be Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practice; Richard B. Roper III, of Texas, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas for the term of four years.

II. Legislation

S. 1635, L-1 Visa (Intracompany Transferee) Reform Act of 2003, Chambliss;

S. 1700, Advancing Justice through DNA Technology Act of 2003, Hatch, Biden, Specter, Leahy, DeWine, Feinstein, Kennedy, Schumer, Durbin, Kohl, Edwards;

S. 2396, Federal Courts Improvement Act of 2004, Hatch, Leahy, Chambliss, Durbin, Schumer;

H.R. 1417, To amend title 17, United States Code, to replace copyright arbitration royalty panels with Copyright Royalty Judges Act of 2003, Smith-TX, Berman-CA, Conyers-MI;

S. 2204, A bill to provide criminal penalties for false information and hoaxes relating to terrorism Act of 2004, Hatch, Schumer, Cornyn, Feinstein, DeWine;

S. 1860, A bill to reauthorize the Office of National Drug Control Policy Act of 2003, Hatch, Biden, Grassley;

S. 2195, A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify the definition of anabolic steroids and to provide for research and education activities relating to steroids and steroid precursors Act of 2004, Biden, Hatch, Grassley, Feinstein;

S.J. Res. 23, A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing for the event that one-fourth of the members of either the House of Representatives or the Senate are killed or incapacitated Act of 2003, Cornyn, Chambliss.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select

Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 14, 2004 at 10 a.m. to hold a hearing on the nomination of Porter J. Gross to be Director of Central Intelligence.

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

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet Tuesday, September 14, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Dirksen 628 for the purpose of conducting a hearing.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ANTITRUST, COMPETITION POLICY, AND CONSUMER RIGHTS

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights be authorized to meet on Tuesday, September 14, 2004 to conduct a hearing on “Hospital Group Purchasing: How To Maintain Innovation and Cost Savings”, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Witness List:

Dr. Robert Betz, President and CEO, Health Industry Group Purchasing Association, Arlington, VA.

Joe E. Kiani, President and CEP, Masimo Corporation, Irvine, CA.

David Balto, Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi, LLP, Washington, DC.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OCEANS, FISHERIES, AND COAST GUARD

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries and Coast Guard be authorized to meet on Tuesday, September 14, 2004, at 8:30 a.m. on Magnuson-Stevens Act.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce and the District of Columbia, be authorized to meet on Tuesday, September 14, 2004 at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing entitled, “The 9/11 Commission Human Capital Recommendations: A Critical Element of Reform.”

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Public Land and Forests of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 14 at 2:30 p.m.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on S. 2532, to establish

wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for the high quality development in Lincoln County, NV, and for other purposes; S. 2723, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, and for other purposes; and S. 2709, to provide for the reforestation of appropriate forest cover on forest land derived from the public domain, and for other purposes.

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent my new Judiciary staffer, Joshua Levy, be given floor privileges during the duration of this session of Congress.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S. 2674

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that at 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, September 15, the Senate proceed to the consideration of Calender No. 674, S. 2674, the military construction appropriations bill; that the two managers' amendments at the desk be agreed to and no other amendments be in order. I further ask unanimous consent that there be 1 hour of debate equally divided and at the conclusion or yielding back of the time the bill, as amended, be read the third time and returned to the Senate Calendar.

I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate then proceed to Calender No. 690, H.R. 4837, the House-passed military construction bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 2674, as amended, be inserted in lieu thereof; that the bill be read the third time and the Senate proceed to a vote on H.R. 4837 at a time to be determined by the majority leader in consultation with the Democratic leader, all without intervening action or debate.

I further ask unanimous consent that upon passage of the bill, the Senate insist on its amendment, as amended, request a conference with the House, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

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

ORDER TO REQUEST RETURN OF PAPERS—S. 2261

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate request the House to return the papers with respect to S. 2261.

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

HONORING FORMER PRESIDENT WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate