

water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins in Oregon; S. 310, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard Facility to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District in the State of Nevada; S. 519, to amend the Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2000 to authorize additional projects and activities under that Act, and for other purposes; and S. 592, to extend the contract for the Glendo Unit of the Missouri Basin Project in the State of Wyoming.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Kellie Donnelly 202-224-9360 or Shane Perkins at 202-224-7555.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 12, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., in closed session to receive testimony on the assessment of Iraqi security forces.

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on the nominations of Dr. Michael Griffin to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Mr. Joseph Boardman to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, Ms. Nancy Nord to be Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and The Honorable William W. Cobey, Jr. to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at 10:15 a.m., in SR-253.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 12, at 10 a.m. in room SD-366.

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss opportunities to advance technology that will facilitate environmentally friendly development of oil shale and oil sands resources. The hearing will address legislative and admin-

istrative actions necessary to provide incentives for industry investment, as well as explore concerns and experiences of other governments and organizations and the interests of industry.

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., to hold a nomination hearing.

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 in a closed briefing on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at 11:30 a.m., in S-407, the Capitol.

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 April 12, 2005, at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., to hold hearings.

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, April 12, 2005, from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., in Dirksen 106, for the purpose of conducting a hearing.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on National Parks be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 12 at 2:30 p.m. to review management and planning issues for the National Mall, including the history of development, security projects and other planned constructions, and future development plans.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Seapower be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 12 at 2:30 p.m. to receive testimony on Navy shipbuilding and industrial base status in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2006.

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Richard Litsey, a fellow on the Finance Committee staff of Senator BAUCUS, be

granted the privilege of the floor during consideration of H.R. 1268, the emergency Iraq/Afghanistan supplemental appropriations, and all rollcall votes thereon.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senator JOHN MCCAIN's legislative fellow, Navy CDR Shawn Grenier, be granted floor privileges during the consideration of H.R. 1268, the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act.

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

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator BAUCUS, I ask unanimous consent that Cuong Huynh, a fellow on his staff at the Finance Committee, be accorded floor privileges during the consideration of H.R. 1268, the emergency Iraq-Afghanistan supplemental appropriation bill, and any votes thereon.

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

NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate now proceed to consideration of S. Res. 105, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 105) designating April 15, 2005, as National Youth Service Day, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I rise in support of S. Res. 105, a resolution designating April 15, 2005, as National Youth Service Day. S. Res. 105 acknowledges the remarkable community service efforts that our Nation's youth are making in communities across the country on April 15 and every day, and encourages all people to recognize and support the significance of these contributions.

National Youth Service Day is a public awareness and education campaign that highlights the extraordinary contributions that young people make to their communities throughout the year. On this day, youth from across the United States and the world will carry out community service projects in areas ranging from hunger to literacy to the environment. National Youth Service Day is the largest service event in the world that brings millions of youth and over 50 local, regional, and national partners together to support and promote youth service.

In Alaska, the following groups will engage youth in community service activities on April 15:

(1) Anchorage's Promise, along with 70 other youth/family organizations from Anchorage and the Mat-Su Valley, will mobilize all sectors of the

community to build the character and competence of Anchorage's children and youth by fulfilling the Five Promises: caring adults, safe places, a healthy start, marketable skills, and opportunities to serve. This year's National Youth Service Day celebration in anchorage hopes to engage at least 7,000 youth in service-learning projects throughout the city.

(2) Cook Inlet Tribal Council Youth Center will prepare and serve traditional Alaska Native dishes to 75–100 homeless people in downtown Anchorage.

(3) As part of the Anchorage Youth Make It Better Project, the mountain View Boys and Girls Club, Alaska Division of Juvenile Justice, members of the Boy Scouts of America Venturing Program, interested AmeriCorps/VISTA volunteers, and the Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute Student Alumni association will organize and conduct a Youth Make A Better Community essay contest involving 50 Anchorage fifth and sixth grade students. The students will write about how they would improve the community. In addition, 25 middle and high school students will design and paint an outdoor mural in Mountain View highlighting important social issues and traits of good character.

(4) In Koyukuk, young people will be helping elders with household chores they cannot do for themselves.

(5) In the Matanuska-Susitna Valley, Communities In Schools Mat-Su has organized 25 students from the Mat-Su Youth Facility School and students from the Chickaloon Tribal School to work on building a Chicken Coop for the tribal sustainability project.

Many similar and wonderful activities will be taking place all across the Nation.

I thank my colleagues—Senators AKAKA, ALLEN, BAYH, BINGAMAN, BOXER, BUNNING, CLINTON, COCHRAN, COLEMAN, COLLINS, CONRAD, CORNYN, CRAIG, DEWINE, DODD, DOMENICI, DORGAN, DURBIN, FEINGOLD, FEINSTEIN, GREGG, HAGEL, ISAKSON, JOHNSON, KERRY, LANDRIEU, LIEBERMAN, LEVIN, LOTT, MARTINEZ, MIKULSKI, MURRAY, NELSON, REED, SALAZAR, SANTORUM, SCHUMER, SESSIONS, SNOWE, SPECTER, STABENOW, STEVENS, BUNNING and THUNE—for co-sponsoring this worthwhile legislation, which will ensure that youth across the country and the world know that all of their hard work is greatly appreciated.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 105) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 105

Whereas National Youth Service Day is an annual public awareness and education cam-

aign that highlights the valuable contributions that young people make to their communities throughout the year;

Whereas the goals of National Youth Service Day are to mobilize youth as leaders in identifying and addressing the needs of their communities through service and service-learning, to support youth on a lifelong path of service and civic engagement, and to educate the public, the media, and policymakers about the year-round contributions of young people as community leaders;

Whereas young people in the United States, and in many other countries, are volunteering more than in any generation in history;

Whereas young people should be viewed as the hope not only of the future, but also of today, and should be valued for the idealism, energy, creativity, and commitment they bring to the challenges found in their communities;

Whereas there is a fundamental and conclusive correlation between youth service and lifelong adult volunteering and philanthropy;

Whereas through community service, young people build character and learn valuable skills, including time management, teamwork, needs-assessment, and leadership, that are sought by employers;

Whereas service-learning, an innovative teaching method combining service to the community with curriculum-based learning, is a proven strategy to increase academic achievement and strengthens civic engagement and civic responsibility;

Whereas several private foundations and corporations in the United States support service-learning because they understand that strong communities begin with strong schools and a community investment in the lives and futures of youth;

Whereas a sustained investment by the Federal Government, business partners, schools, and communities fuels the positive, long-term cultural change that will make service and service-learning the common expectation and the common experience of all young people;

Whereas National Youth Service Day, a program of Youth Service America, is the largest service event in the world and is being observed for the 17th consecutive year in 2005;

Whereas National Youth Service Day, with the support of 50 lead agencies, hundreds of grant winners, and thousands of local partners, engages millions of young people nationwide;

Whereas National Youth Service Day will involve 114 national partners, including 8 Federal agencies and 10 organizations that are offering grants to support National Youth Service Day;

Whereas National Youth Service Day has inspired Global Youth Service Day, which occurs concurrently in over 120 countries and is now in its sixth year; and

Whereas young people will benefit greatly from expanded opportunities to engage in meaningful volunteer service and service-learning: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved,

SECTION 1. RECOGNITION AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF YOUTH COMMUNITY SERVICE.

The Senate recognizes and commends the significant contributions of American youth and encourages the cultivation of a common civic bond among young people dedicated to serving their neighbors, their communities, and the Nation.

SEC. 2. NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY.

The Senate—

(1) designates April 15, 2005, as “National Youth Service Day”; and

(2) calls on the people of the United States to—

(A) observe the day by encouraging and engaging youth to participate in civic and community service projects;

(B) recognize the volunteer efforts of our Nation's young people throughout the year; and

(C) support these efforts and engage youth in meaningful decision making opportunities today as an investment in the future of our Nation.

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the appointment of Guy Rocha, of Nevada, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress, vice Stephen Van Buren of South Dakota.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2005

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, April 13. I further ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business for up to 60 minutes, with the first 30 minutes under the control of the majority leader or his designee and the second 30 minutes under the control of the Democratic leader or his designee; provided that following morning business the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 1268, the Iraq-Afghanistan supplemental appropriations bill; provided further that there be 40 minutes equally divided in relation to Durbin amendment No. 356 prior to the vote in relation to the amendment, with no second degrees in order to the amendment prior to that vote.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, I will not object, I say to my friend, the Republican whip, it is my intention to try to reduce the length of that debate depending on morning business. I understand many of our colleagues have a meeting at the White House. If we can expedite this debate time and bring the vote up before the Senator leaves, that is my intention.

Mr. MCCONNELL. That would be very good. We would either finish it before that meeting or do it after. I think we can get the vote in before that meeting. It would be very good.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, tomorrow, following morning business,