

(4) Between 1,000 and 3,000 special interest aliens from countries with an active terrorist presence enter the United States each year.

(5) Of the 1,200,000 illegal aliens apprehended on the border between the United States and Mexico, 643 were from countries with known terrorism ties, including Syria, Iran, and Libya.

(6) Senate Report 109-083 states, “officials of the Department of Homeland Security have conceded the United States does not have operational control of its borders”, including areas along the 1,989 mile southwest border between the United States and Mexico.

(7) The daily attempts to cross the border by thousands of illegal aliens from countries around the globe continue to present a threat to United States national security.

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) this Nation cannot thoroughly address the security of the United States without recognizing the reality of terrorists taking advantage of inadequacies in border security along the border between the United States and Mexico;

(2) every effort should be made to increase the technology and efficiency in preventing these individuals from entering the United States across the Mexican border;

(3) the Mexican Government has an obligation to secure its side of the border between the United States and Mexico; and

(4) the Mexican Government must commit to addressing inadequacies in its own domestic and border security policies, which are contributing to the present dilemma in border security.

SA 1071. Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. KYL, Mr. FRIST, Mr. McCONNELL, Mr. TALENT, Mr. THUNE, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BYRD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. CORZINE, and Ms. LANDRIEU) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1052 proposed by Mr. BYRD (for Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. BYRD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. DURBIN)) to the bill H.R. 2361, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

Or page 1, line 2,
Strike the word “Sec” through page 1, line 9 and insert the following:

Sec. 429.(a) From the money in the Treasury not otherwise obligated or appropriated, there are appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs \$1,500,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, for Medical Services provided by, by the Veterans Health Administration, which shall be available until expended.

SA 1072. Mr. VOINOVICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 82, line 12, strike “\$180,000,000” and insert “\$250,000,000”.

SA 1073. Mr. VOINOVICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2360, making ap-

propriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 82, line 12, strike “\$180,000,000” and insert “\$190,000,000”.

On page 85, line 17, strike “\$2,000,000,000” and insert “\$1,990,000,000”.

SA 1074. Mr. VOINOVICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 82, line 12, strike “\$180,000,000” and insert “\$250,000,000”.

SA 1075. Mr. VOINOVICH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 82, line 12, strike “\$180,000,000” and insert “\$190,000,000”.

On page 85, line 17, strike “\$2,000,000,000” and insert “\$1,990,000,000”.

SA 1076. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 100, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 519. FEASIBILITY STUDY REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT FIELD OFFICE IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) On July 17, 2002, 18 illegal immigrants, including 3 minors, were taken into custody by the Tulsa County Sheriff’s Department and later released by the former Immigration and Naturalization Service.

(2) On August 13, 2002, an immigration task force meeting convened in Tulsa, Oklahoma, with the goal of bringing together local law enforcement and the Immigration and Naturalization Service to open a dialogue to find effective ways to better enforce Federal immigration laws in the first District of Oklahoma.

(3) On January 22, 2003, the Immigration and Naturalization Service office in Oklahoma City hired 4 new agents.

(4) On January 30, 2003, the Immigration and Naturalization Service office in Oklahoma city added 6 new special agents to its staff.

(5) On September 22, 2004, Immigration and Customs Enforcement authorized the release of 18 possible illegal aliens who were in the custody of the City of Catoosa, Oklahoma Police Department. Catoosa Police stopped a truck carrying 18 persons, including children, in the early morning hours. Only 2 of the detainees produced identification. One adult was arrested on drug possession charges, while the remaining individuals were released.

(6) Oklahoma has 1 Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Investigations,

located in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Currently, 12 Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents serve 3,500,000 people.

(7) Interstate Highways I-44 and I-75 run through Tulsa, Oklahoma, and transport illegal immigrants to all areas of the United States.

(8) 7 Drug Enforcement Administration agents and an estimated 22 Federal Bureau of Investigation agents are headquartered in Tulsa, Oklahoma, but no Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents are located in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

(9) The establishment of an Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Investigations field office in Tulsa, Oklahoma, would help enforce Federal immigration laws in eastern Oklahoma.

(b) FEASIBILITY STUDY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall commence a study on the benefits and feasibility of establishing an Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Investigations field office in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 29, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., in open session to consider the following nominations: General Peter Pace, USMC for reappointment to the grade of General and to be Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Admiral Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN for reappointment to the grade of Admiral and to be Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; General T. Michael Moseley, USAF for reappointment to the grade of General and to be Chief of Staff of the Air Force; Ambassador Eric S. Edelman to be under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Mr. Daniel R. Stanley to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs; and Mr. James A. Rispoli to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management.

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

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 29, 2005, at 3:30 p.m., to receive a classified briefing regarding detention operations and interrogation procedures at Guantanamo Bay.

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

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session on Wednesday June 29, 2005, at 10 a.m., to hear testimony on “Medicaid Waste, Fraud and Abuse: Threatening the Health Care Safety Net.”

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the

Senate on Wednesday, June 29, 2005 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a hearing on Nominations.

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions meet in executive session during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 29, 2005 at 9:50 a.m. in SD-430.

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

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, June 29, 2005, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a business meeting on the following:

S.J. Res. 15 A bill to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the United States Government regarding Indian tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States.

S. 374 A bill to provide compensation to the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Sioux Tribes of South Dakota for damage to tribal land caused by Pick-Sloan projects along the Missouri River.

S. 113 A bill to modify the date as of which certain tribal land of the Lytton Rancheria is deemed to be held in trust.

S. 881 A bill to compensate the Spokane Tribe of Indians for the use of tribal land for the production of hydro-power by the Grand Coulee Dam, and for other purposes.

S. 449 A bill to facilitate shareholder consideration of proposals to make Settlement Common Stock under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act available to missed enrollees, eligible elders, and persons born after Dec. 18, 1971, and for other purposes.

H.R. 797/S. 475 A bill to amend the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and other Acts to improve housing programs for Indians.

S. 623 A bill to direct the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land held in trust for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah to the City of Richfield, Utah and for other purposes.

S. 598 A bill to reauthorize provisions in the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 relating to Native Hawaiian low-income housing and Federal loan guarantees for Native Hawaiian housing.

S. . A bill to condemn certain subsurface rights to land held in trust by the State of Arizona, convey subsurface rights held by BLM, for the Pacsua Yaqui Tribe.

S. A bill to authorize funding for the National Indian Gaming Commission.

S. 1239, A bill to authorize the use of Indian Health Service funds to pay

Medicare Part D premiums on behalf of Indians.

S. 1231, A bill to provide initial funding for the National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education previously established by Congress.

S. A bill to require former federal employees who are employed by tribes to adhere to conflict of interest rules.

S. A bill to amend the Tribally Controlled Community College and Universities Assistance Act.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, June 29, 2005, at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing titled, "Vulnerabilities in the U.S. Passport System Can Be Exploited by Criminals and Terrorists."

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 29, 2005 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a closed briefing.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON DISASTER PREVENTION AND PREDICTION

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President: I ask unanimous consent that Subcommittee on Disaster Prevention and Prediction be authorized to meet on Wednesday, June 29, 2005, at 2:30 p.m., on National Weather Service-Severe Weather.

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mrs. CLINTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Melissa Ho, a fellow in my office, be granted the privilege of the floor for the remainder of the debate on the appropriations bill.

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

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Steve Borchard, a congressional fellow in Senator REID's office, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the Interior appropriations bill.

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

Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Adam Elkington, Julie Golder, and Jorlie Cruz be granted the privilege of the floor during consideration of the CAFTA implementation bill.

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

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Russell Ugone be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the debate on this bill.

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

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES—H.R. 2361

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that with respect to the previously passed Interior appropriations bill, the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

There being no objection, the Chair appointed Mr. BURNS, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. GREGG, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. BYRD, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. REID, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. KOHL conferees on the part of the Senate.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 1332

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I understand there is a bill at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill for the first time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1332) to prevent and mitigate identity theft to ensure privacy; and to enhance criminal penalties, law enforcement assistance, and other protections against security breaches, fraudulent access, and misuse of personally identifiable information.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask for its second reading, and in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bill will receive a second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 2005

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9 a.m. on Thursday, June 30. I further ask that following the prayer and the 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 resume consideration of S. 1307, the CAFTA legislation; provided further, that there then be 16 hours remaining under the statute with the time equally divided; provided further, that of the 8 hours of remaining Democratic time, 5 hours be under the control of Senator DORGAN and 3 hours under the control of Senator BAUCUS.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, tomorrow we will resume the CAFTA bill. Although there are 16 hours remaining, we do not anticipate either side using all of that time. Half of that time is