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AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session on Tuesday, September 13, 2005, at 10 a.m., to hear testimony on "Charities on the Frontline: How the Nonprofit Sector Meets the Needs of America's Communities."

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on the nomination of John G. Roberts to be Chief Justice of the United States on Tuesday, September 13, 2005 at 9:30 a.m. in the Hart Senate Office Building Room 216.

Witness List:

PANEL I

THE HONORABLE JOHN G. ROBERTS

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

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Tuesday, September 13, 2005, at 10 a.m. to consider the nominations of John R. Fisher to be Associate Judge, DC Court of Appeals; Juliet J. McKenna to be Associate Judge, DC Superior Court; Colleen D. Kiko to be General Counsel, Federal Labor Relations Authority; and Mary M. Rose to be Member, Merit Systems Protection Board.

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

AMENDING LIVESTOCK MANDATORY REPORTING ACT OF 1999

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture be discharged from further consideration of S. 1613 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1613) to amend the Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999 to extend the termination date for mandatory price reporting.

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

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the measure be printed in the RECORD.

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

The bill (S. 1613) was read the third time and passed, as follows:

S. 1613

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF MANDATORY PRICE REPORTING.

Section 942 of the Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999 (Public Law 106-78; 7 U.S.C. 1635 note) is amended by striking "September 30, 2005" and inserting "September 30, 2006".

MEASURES PLACED ON CALENDAR—S. 1681, S. 1682, S. 1683, S. 1684, AND S. 1688

Mr. FRIST. I understand there are five bills at the desk due for a second reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bills by title en bloc for the second time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1681) to provide for reimbursement of communities for purchases of supplies distributed to Katrina Survivors.

A bill (S. 1682) to provide for reimbursement for business revenue lost as a result of a facility being used as an emergency shelter for Katrina Survivors.

A bill (S. 1683) to provide relief for students affected by Hurricane Katrina.

A bill (S. 1684) to clarify which expenses relating to emergency shelters for Katrina Survivors are eligible for Federal reimbursement.

A bill (S. 1688) to provide 100 percent Federal financial assistance under the Medicaid and State children's health insurance programs for States providing medical or child health assistance to survivors of Hurricane Katrina, to provide for an accommodation of the special needs of such survivors under the medicare program, and for other purposes.

Mr. FRIST. In order to place the bills on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I would object to further proceeding en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard. The bills will be placed on the calendar.

REMOVAL OF INJUNCTION OF SECRECY—TREATY DOCUMENT NO. 109-3 PROTOCOL AMENDING EXTRADITION CONVENTION WITH ISRAEL

Mr. FRIST. As in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the injunction of secrecy be removed from the following treaty transmitted to the Senate on September 13, 2005, by the President of the United States:

Protocol Amending Extradition Convention with Israel (Treaty Document No. 109-3).

I further ask that the treaty be considered as having been read the first

time, that it be referred with accompanying papers to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed, and that the President's message be printed in the RECORD.

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

The President's message is as follows:

To the Senate of the United States:

With a view to receiving the advice and consent of the Senate to ratification, I transmit herewith the Protocol between the Government of the United States and the Government of the State of Israel, signed at Jerusalem on July 6, 2005.

In addition, I transmit for the information of the Senate the report of the Department of State with respect to the Protocol. As the report explains, the Protocol will not require implementing legislation.

The Protocol amends the Convention Relating to Extradition (the "1962 Convention"), signed at Washington on December 10, 1962. The Protocol updates the 1962 Convention in a manner consistent with our modern extradition treaties. The Protocol will, upon entry into force, enhance cooperation between the law enforcement communities of both nations and make a significant contribution to international law enforcement efforts.

I recommend that the Senate give early and favorable consideration to the Protocol and give its advice and consent to ratification.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, September 13, 2005.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2005

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 14. I further ask 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 proceed to a period for morning business for up to 60 minutes, with the first 30 minutes under the control of the Democratic leader or his designee and the final 30 minutes under the control of the majority leader or his designee; provided that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 2862, the Commerce-Justice-Science appropriations bill.

I further ask that the time until 11 a.m. be equally divided between the two managers or their designees and that at 11 a.m. the Senate proceed to a vote on a motion to waive with respect to Stabenow amendment No. 1687, as modified.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, the Senate will return to the Commerce-Justice-Science appropriations bill, and we

expect to complete our work on this bill tomorrow. The managers are working on several of the pending amendments and may be able to accept some of those without the need for rollcall votes. Others will need to be voted on, but we hope to set those votes at an early time tomorrow so that we can finish this bill as soon as possible.

There are a lot of amendments remaining on the list, but I would hope Senators do not feel at all compelled to offer those amendments. We have been on this bill since last Thursday. Senators have had ample time to draft and offer their amendments, and therefore I would ask Senators to notify the managers if they intend to offer additional amendments.

The first vote will occur at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M.
TOMORROW

Mr. FRIST. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:14 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, September 14, 2005, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 13, 2005:

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE
ADMINISTRATION

SHANA L. DALE, OF GEORGIA, TO BE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION, VICE FREDERICK D. GREGORY.

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT

DONALD A. GAMBATESA, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, VICE EVERETT L. MOSLEY.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CARMEN MARIA MARTINEZ, OF FLORIDA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA.

THE JUDICIARY

GREGORY F. VAN TATENHOVE, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY, VICE KARL S. FORESTER, RETIRED.