

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by \$3,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by \$3,000,000.

SA 523. Mr. COLEMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by \$277,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by \$634,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by \$939,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by \$1,307,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by \$277,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by \$634,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by \$939,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by \$1,307,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by \$6,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by \$28,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by \$66,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by \$122,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by \$6,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by \$28,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by \$66,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by \$122,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by \$283,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by \$662,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by \$1,005,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by \$1,429,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by \$283,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by \$946,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by \$1,951,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by \$3,380,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, increase the amount by \$283,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by \$946,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by \$1,951,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by \$3,380,000,000.

On page 25, line 16, increase the amount by \$6,000,000.

On page 25, line 17, increase the amount by \$6,000,000.

On page 25, line 20, increase the amount by \$28,000,000.

On page 25, line 21, increase the amount by \$28,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by \$66,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by \$66,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by \$122,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by \$122,000,000.

SA 524. Mr. OBAMA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 17, line 12, increase the amount by \$100,000,000.

On page 17, line 13, increase the amount by \$2,000,000.

On page 17, line 17, increase the amount by \$58,000,000.

On page 17, line 21, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 17, line 25, increase the amount by \$10,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by \$100,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by \$2,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by \$58,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by \$10,000,000.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry be authorized to conduct a hearing during the session of the Senate on Wednesday March 21, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. in 328A, Senate Russell Office Building. The title of this committee hearing is "Examining the performance of U.S. Trade and Food Aid Programs for the 2007 Farm Bill."

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

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2007, at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing on "Minimizing Potential Threats From Iran: Assessing the Effectiveness of Current U.S. Sanctions on Iran."

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The purpose of the hearing is to provide oversight on the status and activities of the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007.

The agenda to be considered: Vice President Al Gore's Perspective on Global Warming.

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 5 p.m. to hold a briefing on the Gulf Security Dialogue.

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to hold a hearing on the long-term health impact from September 11 during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 10 a.m. in SH-216.

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

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing titled "GAO's Role in Supporting Congressional Oversight: An Overview of Past Work and Future Challenges and Opportunities."

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on "Misuse of Patriot Act Powers: The Inspector General's Findings of Improper Use of National Security Letters by the FBI" for Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 10 a.m. in Dirksen Senate Office Building Room 226.

Witness List: The Honorable Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. to receive testimony on nuclear and strategic policy options.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TERRORISM, TECHNOLOGY, AND HOMELAND SECURITY

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology, and Homeland Security be authorized

to meet to conduct a hearing on "Identity Theft: Innovative Solutions for an Evolving Problem," on Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. in Room 226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Witness List

Panel I: Ronald Tenpas, Associate Deputy Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC; Lydia Parnes, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, DC.

Panel II: James Davis, Chief Information Officer and Vice Chancellor for Information Technology, University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA; Joanne McNabb, Chief, California Officer of Privacy Protection, Sacramento, CA; Chris Jay Hoofnagle, Senior Staff Attorney, Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic, School of Law (Boalt Hall), University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA.

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following Finance Committee fellows and interns be granted floor privileges during consideration the budget resolution: Neil Ohlenkamp, Suzanne Payne, Jennifer Smith, Leighton Quon, Charles Kovatch, Avi Salzman, Susan Doublas, Diedra Henry-Spires, Howard Tuch, Ton Kornfield, Brett Youngerman, Larry Boyd, Leona Cuttler, Russ Ugone, Sarah Rebecca Smith, Sara Shepherd, Gretchen Hector, and Sarah Butler.

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

Mr. GREGG. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that Jared Clauss, Eric Slack, Ann Thomas, and Bess Allison Ullman of the Finance Committee staff be granted the privileges of the floor for the duration of the debate of the fiscal year 2008 budget resolution.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SANDERS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate now proceed to executive session to consider the following nomination, Calendar No. 48, that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then resume legislative session.

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

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

W. Craig Vanderwagen, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will return to legislative session.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2007

Mr. SANDERS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 9:30 a.m., Thursday, March 22; that on Thursday, following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 21.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. SANDERS. If there is no further business to come before the Senate today, and if the Republican leader has nothing further, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:52 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, March 22, 2007, at 9:30 a.m.

CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate Wednesday, March 21, 2007:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

W. CRAIG VANDERWAGEN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

THE ABOVE NOMINATION WAS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEE'S COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.