

The agenda to be considered: Oversight Hearing on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 2 p.m., to receive testimony on efforts to improve the Department of Defense's language and cultural awareness capabilities.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces be authorized to meet in open session during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 3:30 p.m., to receive testimony on Department of Energy atomic energy defense programs in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2008.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Water and Power be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the following bills: S. 175, to provide for a feasibility study of alternatives to augment the water supplies of the Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and cities served by the District; S. 324, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the State of New Mexico; S. 542, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies to address certain water shortages within the Snake, Boise, and Payette River systems in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes; S. 752, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the implementation of the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program for Endangered Species in the Central and Lower Platte River Basin and to modify the Pathfinder Dam and Reservoir; S. 1037, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assist in the planning, design, and construction of the Tumalo Irrigation District Water Conservation Project in Deschutes County, OR; S. 1116 and H.R. 902, to facilitate the use for irrigation and other purposes of water produced in connection with development of energy resources; and S. 1112 and H.R. 235, to allow for the renegotiation of the payment schedule of contracts between the Secretary of the Interior and the Redwood Valley County Water District, and for other purposes.

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Elizabeth Goitein, a detailee from the Department of Justice in Senator FEINGOLD's Judiciary Committee office, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of this session of Congress.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—H.R. 1591

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the conference report of the supplemental appropriations bill, H.R. 1591, on Thursday, April 26, at 10 a.m., regardless of whether the Senate has yet received the papers from the House; that the time immediately following the prayer and the pledge until 12:45 p.m. be equally divided between the two leaders or their designees; and that the Senate vote, without any intervening action, provided that the message has been received in the Senate on passage of the conference report at 12:45 p.m. on Thursday.

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

COMMEMORATING THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SETTLEMENT OF JAMESTOWN

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 172, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 172) commemorating the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown.

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

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, in a few short weeks, America will commemorate the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown, the first permanent English settlement in the New World. It is an event that I, along with many of my fellow Virginians and Americans, have looked upon with great anticipation.

Jamestown's anniversaries have always been major national patriotic events, and this year will be no different. Visitors and dignitaries from all over the world will converge on the site, where, in 1607, CAP John Smith and his motley crew of Englishmen first stepped ashore to begin life in the New World. Commemorating the Jamestown anniversary allows Americans to not only remember the bravery of Captain Smith's crew and the founding of America but also to celebrate the democratic ideals and institutions that trace their roots to that remarkable beginning. The rule of law, the entrepreneurial spirit, representative government, and cultural diversity all originated at Jamestown and all continue to have profound effects on America today.

To recognize the impact of Jamestown and to signal Congress's support for the 400th anniversary of its founding, I introduce today this resolution. It marks the importance of Jamestown to our Nation's history and recognizes its 400th anniversary as a seminal event for the American people. Furthermore, the resolution recognizes the critical role Native Americans played in the colony's survival, notes the democratic ideals first instilled at Jamestown, and reflects on the unique confluence of cultures that made Jamestown strong and successful. With this resolution, Congress has a chance to officially record for history its support for the commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown.

Mr. President, I urge my colleagues to join me in support of this resolution.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The resolution (S. 172) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 172

Whereas the founding of the colony at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1607, the first permanent English colony in America, and the capital of Virginia for 92 years, has major significance in the history of the United States;

Whereas the Jamestown Settlement owed its survival in large measure to the compassion and aid of the Native people in its vicinity;

Whereas Native Virginia people substantially aided the Jamestown colonists with food and supplies at times that were crucial to their survival;

Whereas the Native people served as guides to geography and natural resources, crucial assistance in the Virginia colonists' exploration of the Chesapeake Region;

Whereas the Jamestown Settlement brought people from throughout the Atlantic Basin together to form a society that drew upon the strengths and characteristics of English, European, African, and Native American cultures;

Whereas the economic, political, religious, and social institutions that developed during the first 9 decades of the existence of Jamestown continue to have profound effects on the United States, particularly in English common law and language, cross cultural relationships, manufacturing, and economic structure and status;

Whereas the National Park Service, the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, and the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation of the Commonwealth of Virginia collectively own and operate significant resources related to the early history of Jamestown;

Whereas, in 2000, Congress established the Jamestown 400th Commemoration Commission to ensure a suitable national observance of the Jamestown 2007 anniversary, and Congress commends the Commission's hard work and dedication;

Whereas Congress reminds all Americans of the importance of their country's history and founding at Jamestown; and

Whereas the 2007 observance of the founding of Jamestown commemorates the 400th anniversary of the first permanent English colony in America: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate commemorates the 400th Anniversary of the founding of the colony Jamestown in 1607 and urges all Americans to honor this seminal event in our Nation's history.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL
26, 2007

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Sen-

ate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 9:15 a.m., Thursday, April 26; that on Thursday following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders reserved for their use later in the day, with a period of morning business until 10 a.m. with Senators permitted to speak therein; with the Senate proceeding to the conference report to accompany H.R. 1591, as provided for under a previous order.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:15
TOMORROW

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, if there is no further business, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:08 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, April 26, 2007, at 9:15 a.m.