

successful in their secondary education career—and to graduate from high school.

During my time in the classroom, I could easily distinguish those 4-year-olds who were read to at home. Their skills were more advanced because they had been introduced to sounds and words prior to beginning school. This is why I believe it is important for all of us to understand that reading to children at home fosters a sense of curiosity and a passion for learning that drives students throughout their academic careers.

This is why I rise today to commend Jumpstart, a successful, national non-profit organization that focuses on developing the critical language and literacy skills of our young children in low-income communities.

Beginning in 1993, Jumpstart has recruited and trained thousands of students and community volunteers to deliver a research-based and results-driven curriculum to over 70,000 preschool children across our country. During the 2009–2010 school year, Jumpstart partnered with over 250 preschools across 15 States and the District of Columbia to provide early education to 13,000 preschool children. Additionally, Jumpstart promotes reading at home through Read for the Record, an event that engages adults and children in the world's largest shared reading experience.

In my home State of Washington, Jumpstart has played an important role in providing quality literacy skill development in the city of Seattle. During the 2009–2010 school year, over 150 volunteers served nearly 500 children in 9 preschools. I appreciate Jumpstart's commitment to Washington State and its continued dedication to providing essential skill development to prekindergarten children while stimulating our next generation by involving many student volunteers.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 594—TO CONSTITUTE THE MAJORITY PARTY'S MEMBERSHIP ON CERTAIN COMMITTEES FOR THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH CONGRESS, OR UNTIL THEIR SUCCESSORS ARE CHOSEN

Mr. REID submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 594

*Resolved*, That the following shall constitute the majority party's membership on the following committees for the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, or until their successors are chosen:

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS: Mr. Inouye (Chairman), Mr. Leahy, Mr. Harkin, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Kohl, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Dorgan, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Reed, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Nelson (Nebraska), Mr. Pryor, Mr. Tester, Mr. Specter, Mr. Brown (Ohio).

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES: Mr. Levin (Chairman), Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Reed, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Nelson (Florida), Mr. Nelson (Nebraska), Mr. Bayh, Mr. Webb, Mrs.

McCaskill, Mr. Udall (Colorado), Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Begich, Mr. Burr, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Kaufman, Mr. Goodwin.

COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET: Mr. Conrad (Chairman), Mrs. Murray, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Feingold, Mr. Nelson (Florida), Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Warner, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Begich, Mr. Goodwin.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR AND PENSIONS: Mr. Harkin (Chairman), Mr. Dodd, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Reed, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Casey, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Franken, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Goodwin.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION: Mr. Schumer (Chairman), Mr. Inouye, Mr. Dodd, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Nelson (Nebraska), Mrs. Murray, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Udall (New Mexico), Mr. Warner, Mr. Goodwin.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4508. Mr. BOND submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4509. Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5297, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4510. Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5297, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4511. Mr. HATCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4500 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEMIEUX (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. MURRAY)) to the amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4512. Mr. ROBERTS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4500 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEMIEUX (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. MURRAY)) to the amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4513. Mr. JOHANNES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4500 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEMIEUX (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. MURRAY)) to the amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

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ability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 40, after line 25, add the following:  
**SEC. 1137. HUBZONES.**

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the terms “HUBZone” and “HUBZone small business concern” and “HUBZone map” have the meanings given those terms in section 3(p) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)), as amended by this Act; and

(2) the term “recertification” means a determination by the Administrator that a business concern that was previously determined to be a qualified HUBZone small business concern is a qualified HUBZone small business concern under section 3(p)(5) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)(5)).

(b) PURPOSE; FINDINGS.—

(1) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to reform and improve the HUBZone program of the Administration.

(2) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(A) the HUBZone program was established under the HUBZone Act of 1997 (Public Law 105–135; 111 Stat. 2627) to stimulate economic development through increased employment and capital investment by providing Federal contracting preferences to small business concerns in those areas, including inner cities and rural counties, that have low household incomes, high unemployment, and suffered from a lack of investment; and

(B) according to the Government Accountability Office, the weakness in the oversight of the HUBZone program by the Administration has exposed the Government to fraud and abuse.

(c) HUBZONE IMPROVEMENTS.—The Administrator shall—

(1) ensure the HUBZone map—

(A) is accurate and up-to-date; and

(B) revised as new data is made available to maintain the accuracy and currency of the HUBZone map;

(2) implement policies for ensuring that only HUBZone small business concerns determined to be qualified under section 3(p)(5) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)(5)) are participating in the HUBZone program, including through the appropriate use of technology to control costs and maximize, among other benefits, uniformity, completeness, simplicity, and efficiency;

(3) submit to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate and the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives a report regarding any application to be designated as a HUBZone small business concern or for recertification for which the Administrator has not made a determination as of the date that is 60 days after the date on which the application was submitted or initiated, which shall include a plan and timetable for ensuring the timely processing of the applications; and

(4) develop measures and implement plans to assess the effectiveness of the HUBZone program that—

(A) require the identification of a baseline point in time to allow the assessment of economic development under the HUBZone program, including creating additional jobs; and

(B) take into account—

(i) the economic characteristics of the HUBZone; and

(ii) contracts being counted under multiple socioeconomic subcategories.

(d) EMPLOYMENT PERCENTAGE.—Section 3(p) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (5), by adding at the end the following:

“(E) EMPLOYMENT PERCENTAGE DURING INTERIM PERIOD.—

“(i) DEFINITION.—In this subparagraph, the term ‘interim period’ means the period beginning on the date on which the Administrator determines that a HUBZone small business concern is qualified under subparagraph (A) and ending on the day before the date on which a contract under the HUBZone program for which the HUBZone small business concern submits a bid is awarded.

“(ii) INTERIM PERIOD.—During the interim period, the Administrator may not determine that a HUBZone small business is not qualified under subparagraph (A) based on a failure to meet the applicable employment percentage under subparagraph (A)(i)(I), unless the HUBZone small business concern—

“(I) has not attempted to maintain the applicable employment percentage under subparagraph (A)(i)(I); or

“(II) does not meet the applicable employment percentage—

“(aa) on the date on which the HUBZone small business concern submits a bid for a contract under the HUBZone program; or

“(bb) on the date on which the HUBZone small business concern is awarded a contract under the HUBZone program.”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(8) HUBZONE PROGRAM.—The term ‘HUBZone program’ means the program established under section 31.

“(9) HUBZONE MAP.—The term ‘HUBZone map’ means the map used by the Administration to identify HUBZones.”.

(e) REDESIGNATED AREAS.—Section 3(p)(4)(C)(i) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(p)(4)(C)(i)) is amended to read as follows:

“(i) 3 years after the first date on which the Administrator publishes a HUBZone map that is based on the results from the 2010 decennial census; or”.

**SA 4509.** Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5297, to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . REDUCTION IN SOCIAL SECURITY PAYROLL TAXES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) EMPLOYER TAXES.—The table in section 3101(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“In the case of wages received during:	The rate shall be:
2010 and 2011 .....	3.1 percent
2012 or thereafter .....	6.2 percent”.

(2) SELF-EMPLOYMENT TAXES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The table in section 1401(a) of such Code is amended to read as follows:

“In the case of a taxable year beginning after:	And before:	Percent
December 31, 2009	January 1, 2012.	9.3
December 31, 2011	.....	12.40”.

(B) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(i) Section 164(f) of such Code is amended adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(3) SPECIAL RULE FOR 2010 AND 2011.—In the case of taxable years beginning after December 31, 2009, and before January 1, 2012, the deduction allowed under paragraph (1) with respect to taxes imposed by section 1401(a) shall equal to two-thirds of the taxes so paid.”.

(ii) Section 1402(a)(12)(B) of such Code is amended by inserting “(in the case of taxable years beginning after December 31, 2009, and before January 1, 2012, two-thirds of the taxes of the rate imposed by section 1401(a) and one-half of the rate imposed by section 1401(b))” after “year”.

(b) FUNDING FROM GENERAL FUND.—There are hereby appropriated to the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund established under section 201 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401) amounts equal to the reduction in revenues to the Treasury by reason of the amendments made by paragraphs (1) and (2)(A) of subsection (a). Amounts appropriated by the preceding sentence shall be transferred from the general fund at such times and in such manner as to replicate to the extent possible the transfers which would have occurred to such Trust Fund had such amendments not been enacted.

(c) USE OF STIMULUS FUNDS TO OFFSET LOSS IN REVENUES.—The unobligated balance of each amount appropriated or made available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5) (other than under title X of division A of such Act) is rescinded pro rata such that the aggregate amount of such rescissions equals the reduction in revenues to the Treasury by reason of the amendments made by paragraphs (1) and (2)(A) of subsection (a). The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall report to each congressional committee the amounts so rescinded within the jurisdiction of such committee.

**SA 4510.** Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5297, to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . PERMANENT EXTENSION OF RESEARCH CREDIT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subsection (h).

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (1) of section 45C(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subparagraph (D).

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2009.

(d) USE OF STIMULUS FUNDS TO OFFSET LOSS IN REVENUES.—The unobligated balance of each amount appropriated or made available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5) (other than under title X of division A of such Act) is rescinded pro rata such that the aggregate amount of such rescissions equals the reduction in revenues to the Treasury by reason of the amendments made by this sec-

tion. The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall report to each congressional committee the amounts so rescinded within the jurisdiction of such committee.

**SA 4511.** Mr. HATCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4500 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEMIEUX (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. MURRAY)) to the amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title II, insert the following:

**PART V—OTHER PROVISIONS**

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . RESEARCH CREDIT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (B) of section 41(h)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “December 31, 2009” and inserting “December 31, 2010”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subparagraph (D) of section 45C(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking “December 31, 2009” and inserting “December 31, 2010”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to amounts paid or incurred after December 31, 2009.

**SA 4512.** Mr. ROBERTS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4500 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEMIEUX (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. MURRAY)) to the amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

**PART \_\_\_\_ MISCELLANEOUS**

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING THE RECESS APPOINTMENT OF DR. DONALD BERWICK.**

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate makes the following findings:

(1) On April 19, 2010, the President nominated Dr. Donald Berwick to serve as the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (in this section referred to as “CMS”) in the Department of Health and Human Services. As of that date, the position was vacant for the first 16 months of the Obama Administration.

(2) Since that date, Dr. Berwick has been undergoing the bipartisan nomination investigation review process of the Committee on Finance of the Senate (in this section referred to as the “Senate Finance Committee”) and there has been ongoing activity as the Senate Finance Committee continues

to gather and review information from Dr. Berwick.

(3) The Senate Finance Committee review process for the Berwick nomination was proceeding normally. A hearing on the nomination of Dr. Berwick had been requested and no objections had been raised to having the hearing.

(4) On July 7, 2010, less than 3 months after the nomination and without a Senate Finance Committee hearing taking place, the President recess-appointed Dr. Berwick to serve as the Administrator of CMS. Dr. Berwick was sworn in on July 12, 2010.

(5) The appointment of the Administrator of CMS is subject to Senate confirmation under article II, section 2, clause 2 of the Constitution. Dr. Berwick's nomination was referred to the Senate Finance Committee which has jurisdiction over health programs under the Social Security Act and the responsibility to examine Presidential nominees related to these programs.

(6) It is especially true that Dr. Berwick's nomination should have undergone the Senate Finance Committee nomination review process in light of the significant responsibilities of the Administrator of CMS.

(7) CMS is responsible for the health care of more than 100,000,000 Americans, and is one of the largest agencies in the Federal Government.

(8) The recently enacted Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (commonly referred to as the "health care reform law") significantly increases the responsibilities of CMS, including half a trillion dollars in Medicare provider cuts and the largest expansion of the Medicaid program since its inception.

(9) The manner in which an individual nominated to serve as the Administrator of CMS intends to carry out these responsibilities is a serious matter and warrants a thorough review. A thorough review is especially needed for Dr. Berwick's appointment in light of statements he has made in the past about health care rationing as well as the role of government in health care.

(10) By recess-appointing Dr. Berwick, the President has attempted to short circuit the requirement of article II, section 2, clause 2 of the Constitution that he appoint officers of the United States "by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate".

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

(1) the recess appointment of Dr. Donald Berwick, while consideration of his nomination to serve as Administrator of CMS was proceeding normally through the Senate Finance Committee nomination review process, constitutes an abuse of power by the President; and

(2) notwithstanding his recess appointment to that position, Dr. Donald Berwick should appear before the Senate Finance Committee and respond to questions by members about his qualifications to serve as Administrator of CMS.

**SA 4513.** Mr. JOHANNIS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4500 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEMIEUX (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mrs. MURRAY)) to the amendment SA 4499 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 5297, to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue

Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

#### **PART IV—ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS**

##### **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. REPEAL OF EXPANSION OF INFORMATION REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**

Section 9006 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and the amendments made thereby, are hereby repealed; and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall be applied as if such section, and amendments, had never been enacted.

##### **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. EXPANSION OF AFFORDABILITY EXCEPTION TO INDIVIDUAL MANDATE.**

Section 5000A(e)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking "8 percent" and inserting "5 percent".

##### **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. USE OF PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH FUND.**

(a) USE OF FUNDS AS OFFSET THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2017.—Section 4002(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is amended by striking "appropriated—" and all that follows and inserting "appropriated, for fiscal year 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, \$2,000,000,000".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall take effect as if included in the enactment of section 4002 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

##### **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. TIME FOR PAYMENT OF CORPORATE ESTIMATED TAXES.**

The percentage under paragraph (2) of section 561 of the Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act in effect on the date of the enactment of this Act is increased by 4.25 percentage points.

#### **AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET**

##### **COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION**

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 22, 2010, in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

##### **COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

Mr. HARKIN. 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 July 22, 2010, at 11 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

##### **COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS**

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 22, 2010, at 10 a.m.

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

##### **COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS**

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet

during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Workplace Safety and Worker Protections at BP" on July 22, 2010. The hearing will commence at 10 a.m. in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

##### **COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS**

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 22, 2010, at 10:30 a.m. in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

##### **AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON STATE, LOCAL, AND PRIVATE SECTOR PREPAREDNESS AND INTEGRATION**

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 22, 2010, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled, "A Review of Disaster Medical Preparedness: Improving Coordination and Collaboration in the Delivery of Medical Assistance during Disasters."

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

##### **SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR AND NUCLEAR SAFETY**

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 22, 2010, at 9:15 a.m. in room 406 of the Dirksen Office Building.

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

##### **SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, FEDERAL SERVICES, AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY**

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 22, 2010, at 2:30 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled, "The Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill: Ensuring a Financially Responsible Recovery Part II."

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

#### **PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR**

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Katie Meehan, Johanna Lucas, Abby Richardson, Kevin O'Brien, and Stephanie Rapp of my staff be granted floor privileges for the rest of today's session.

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