

“The Exploding Problem of Telephone Slamming In America.”

This hearing will take place on Thursday, April 23, 1998, at 9:30 a.m., in room 342 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. For further information, please contact Timothy J. Shea of the subcommittee staff at 224-3721.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet on Tuesday, April 21, 1998, at 10:30 a.m. in closed session, to consider S. 1873, a bill to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system capable of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 21 at 2:20 p.m. to hold a joint closed hearing with the Judiciary Committee and on Wednesday, April 22, 1998 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a joint open hearing with the Judiciary Committee.

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

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs requests unanimous consent to hold a hearing on ionizing radiation, veterans' health care, and related issues.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, April 21, 1998, at 10 a.m., in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND MERCHANT MARINE

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Tuesday, April 21, 1998, at 2:30 p.m. on carriage of goods by sea/death on the high seas.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY, TERRORISM, AND GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, of the Senate Judiciary Committee, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 21, 1998 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a classified briefing in room 219, Senate Hart Office Building, on: “Chemical and Biological Weapons Threats to America.”

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRADE

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, the Finance Committee Subcommittee on Trade requests unanimous consent to conduct a hearing on Tuesday, April 21, 1998, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in room 215 Dirksen.

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

WE THE PEOPLE . . . 1998 NATIONAL FINALS

• Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, on May 2-4, 1998, more than 1,200 students will participate in the national finals of the We the People . . . The Citizen and the Constitution Program. This is a three day academic competition on the Constitution and Bill of Rights here in Washington, D.C. I am proud to acknowledge students from Les Bois High School in Boise, Idaho, who have achieved the great honor of participating in this outstanding program. Under the direction of their teachers, Dan Prinzing and Janet Adams, these students have worked diligently to reach the national finals by winning competitions in Idaho.

Administered by the Center for Civic Education, the primary goal of the We the People . . . program, is to promote civic competence and responsibility among the nation's elementary and secondary students. This instructional program is designed to increase the students' understanding of American constitutional democracy. By providing firsthand experience, students are able to witness the relevance of the Constitution and Bill of Rights in dealing with contemporary issues.

Participation in the national finals requires that the students demonstrate their knowledge of constitutional principles and their relevance to current issues before a simulation of congressional committees composed of constitutional scholars, lawyers, journalists, and government leaders. Here the students will have the opportunity to scrutinize and take or defend positions on issues placed before them.

This program provides an excellent opportunity for these students to increase their knowledge of our nation's government and legislative procedure. This is an experience that will benefit both these students and the nation, as it provides an excellent hands-on course in preparing our young Americans for future leadership.

I commend these students from Les Bois High School for this outstanding achievement, and wish them luck in the National competition. I am proud to have them represent the great state of Idaho.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that a list of student names from Les Bois High School who will be competing be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the list was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

Students from Les Bois Junior High (Boise, Idaho) participating in the We the People program:

Ryan Abo, Kyle Anderson, Sean Beaver, Heather Birkinshaw, Michelle Blank, Megan Campbell, Elly Davis, Jordan DeLange, Jesika Groves, Patrick Hanks, Julia Holz, Michelle Howland, Justin Hunter, Jaime Jacobson, Chris Johnson, Jesse Judd, Julie Larson, Kellee Matsko, Ellen Misner, Amber Moss-Jensen, Niki O'Neal, Shannon Otte, Louis Poppler, Britanie Poreba, Barbara Sabo, Nicholai Salovich, Melissa Schurger, Bryan Sharmon, Marc Therrien, and David Wymond.●

(At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

CELEBRATE TUFTONIA'S DAY

• Mr. MOYNIHAN. Mr. President, I rise today to mark a very important event to the 78,000 plus other graduates of Tufts University—Tuftonia's Day. Tuftonia's day marks the anniversary of Tufts University on this date in 1852 (It is the second oldest college in the Boston area). It is a time for all Tufts students, alumni, professors, and friends of the university to turn their thoughts to Tufts and their fellow Tuftonians. Tufts is my alma mater. I graduated from the university and received both my masters degree and my doctorate from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

Tufts, a school of 7,800 students, is one of the finest universities in the country and is rated as such by the most recent U.S. News and World Report survey. The main campus is located in Medford, Massachusetts and is home to the Tufts College of Liberal Arts, Jackson College, the College of Engineering, the Boston School of Occupational Therapy, and the Fletcher School. The Dental and Medical schools are downtown on the Boston campus and the School of Veterinary Medicine, the only such school in New England, is located in Grafton, Massachusetts.

When Charles Tufts founded the college, it is said he wanted to found a “light on the hill.” The first rate education, the wonderful experiences, the enduring friendships, and the values instilled in Tufts students during their years on the hill, shows that Charles Tufts' dream has been realized.

Mr. President, Tufts University is a wonderful place, and Tuftonia's Day is a special time for all Jumbos (our mascot) to think about our days at Tufts and to pay tribute to our alma mater, the dear old brown and blue. I join with my fellow Tufts alumni in doing so and in recognizing Tuftonia's day.●

VICKI DONOVAN: 1998 NEW HAMPSHIRE TEACHER OF THE YEAR

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Vicki Donovan for being named the 1998 New