

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In lieu of”; and  
(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(2) LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the amount of assistance provided to a household under this subsection shall not exceed \$5,000, as adjusted annually to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Department of Labor.

“(B) ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE.—The President may provide additional assistance to a household that is unable to secure temporary housing through insurance proceeds or loans or other financial assistance from the Small Business Administration or another Federal agency.”.

**SEC. 211. INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY GRANT PROGRAM.**

Section 411 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5178) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the following:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The President, in consultation and coordination with a State, may make a grant directly, or through the State, to an individual or a family that is adversely affected by a major disaster to assist the individual or family in meeting disaster-related necessary expenses or serious needs of the individual or family, if the individual or family is unable to meet the expenses or needs through—

“(1) assistance under other provisions of this Act; or

“(2) other means.”;

(2) by striking subsection (d) and inserting the following:

“(d) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—If a State determines that a grant to an individual or a family under this section shall be made through the State, the State shall pay, without reimbursement from any funds made available under this Act, the cost of all administrative expenses associated with the management of the grant by the State.”;

(3) by striking subsection (e); and

(4) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (e).

In section 302—

(1) insert “(a) TERRITORIES.—” before “Section 102”; and

(2) add at the end the following:

(b) LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—Section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122) is amended by striking paragraph (6) and inserting the following:

“(6) LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—The term ‘local government’ means—

“(A) a county, municipality, city, town, township, local public authority, school district, special district, intrastate district, council of governments (regardless of whether the council of governments is incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under State law), regional or interstate government entity, or agency or instrumentality of a local government;

“(B) an Indian tribe or authorized tribal organization, or Alaska Native village or organization; and

“(C) a rural community, unincorporated town or village, or other public entity, for which an application for assistance is made by a State or political subdivision of a State.”.

(c) PRIVATE NONPROFIT FACILITY.—Section 102(9) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122(9)) is amended by inserting “irrigation,” after “utility.”

**MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001**

**LEVIN (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 3154**

Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. ROBB, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. REED, Mr. MACK, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. COCHRAN) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 2521, supra; as follows:

Strike section 2410.

**STEVENS (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 3155**

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. STEVENS (for himself, Mr. COVERDELL, and Mr. DEWINE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by them to the bill, S. 2521, supra; as follows:

On page 26, at line 15, strike, “\$74,859,000”, and insert in lieu thereof, “\$542,859,000”; and

On page 27, at line 7, strike, “;”, and insert in lieu thereof: “; Acquisition of six C-130J long-range maritime patrol aircraft authorized under section 812(G) of the Western Hemisphere Drug Elimination Act that are capable of meeting defense-related and other elements of the Coast Guard’s multi-mission requirements, \$468,000,000.”

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

**COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources to consider the outlook for America’s natural gas demand.

The hearing will take place on Thursday, May 25, 2000, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

Presentation of oral testimony is by Committee invitation only. However, those who wish to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 364 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information regarding the hearing, please contact Dan Kish at (202) 224-8276.

**AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET**

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

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Wednesday, May 17, 2000, at 9:30 a.m. on global warming.

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

**COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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

mittee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 17, for purposes of conducting a Full Committee business meeting which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this business meeting is to consider pending calendar business.

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

**COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS**

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, May 17, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. to conduct an oversight hearing on Implementation of the Indian Arts and Crafts Act (P.L. 101-644). The hearing will take place in room 562, Dirksen Senate Building.

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

**COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS**

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 17, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. to conduct a hearing on S. 1148, to provide for the Yankton Sioux Tribe and the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska certain benefits of the Missouri River Pick-Sloan Project and S. 1658, to authorize the construction of a Reconciliation Place in Fort Pierre, South Dakota. The hearing will be held in the Committee room, 485 Russell Senate Building.

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

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 17, 2000, for an Open Executive Session to mark up legislation extending permanent Normal Trading Relations to China.

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

**COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, May 17, 2000, at 10:00 a.m., in SD226.

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

**COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 17, 2000, at 9:30 a.m., to receive testimony on legislative remedies, including S. 1816, the Hagel-Kerrey-Abraham-Landrieu campaign finance reform bill.

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR, WETLANDS, PRIVATE PROPERTY, AND NUCLEAR SAFETY**

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety be